

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Bridget Campion Coolkerry
Joe Peters, Mooreville
Paddy & Tess Campion, Levalley

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST 2026

Errill 9.30am: May Broomfield (née Carthy) (Recently Deceased)
Yorkshire, & formerly Conoboro Road

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK IN RATHDOWNEY

Tuesday–Friday: Mass at 10 am

Recent Deaths: Martin Fitzpatrick, Ballybrophy
Helen McEvoy, Kilkenny & Killasmeestia

Anniversaries: Joe, Margaret & Michael Peters, Harristown
The Loughman family, Harristown
Dennis, Margaret, John & Matt Curran
Jack, Stasia & Paddy Mahon, Harristown
Conor Cooke, Daly Terrace

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Lizzie Byrne, Ballybuggy (Months Mind)
Jimmy Gilmartin, Quigley Park & deceased members
of the Gilmartin Family
Thomas & Mary Creagh, Cloneeb
John Broderick, Knockiel Rd

SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Errill 9.30am: Joe Nolan, Rathdowney, 1st Anniversary

Collections

Weekend 22nd/23rd August 2026

Loose Plate - €386 Envelopes €1268

Adoration

Adoration has paused for the summer and will return in both churches in the week commencing 7th September.

Rosary available each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

Evening Prayer with Bishop Ger

You are invited to join Bishop Ger as he leads us in Evening Prayer
in preparation for his **Episcopal Installation as Bishop of Ossory**
on 13th September 2026 when he begins his ministry as our Bishop.

Beginning at 7.30 p.m.

Friday, 4th September 2026

St Kieran's Church, Seir Kieran, Co. Offaly.

All are welcome.

Bereavement Information Evening

especially dedicated to supporting surviving siblings

This event is open to all parents whose child or children have died, regardless of the age of their child, circumstances of their death, or time since bereavement. We are also opening this Bereavement Information Evening to bereaved adult siblings over 18.

This event will take place online on [Tuesday 15 September at 7pm](#).

We are joined by an exceptional panel of local organisations and experts in sibling bereavement.

Contact info@anamcara.ie or call 085 288 8888 for more information.

Newsletter for the Parishes of

Durrow and Rathdowney

29th/30th August 2026

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person
Fintan Fanning - 085 802 1633
safeguarding@ossory.ie
Gardaí 1800 555 222 / TUSLA
Laois/Offaly 044 935 3997
Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313 416
www.towardshealing.ie
Towards Peace Helpline: 01-505 3028
www.towardspeace.ie
Parish Representatives
Rathdowney
John Casey & Helen Campion
Durrow
Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy

Pastoral Council Members

Rathdowney

Assumpta Casey; Helen Campion;
Tony Holohan; Fran Doyle; Maureen
Guilfoyle; Oliver Kennedy, Mary Nolan,
Mary O'Dea, Tadhg Keane;
Sr Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

Durrow

Martin Lawlor; Mary Lawlor; James
Walsh; Vicky Murphy;
Margaret Murphy; Liam Kavanagh;
Pádraig Kiely;
Anne-Marie Kiely
Sr. Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

Ladywell NOVENA

2026 STARTS 7.30PM

Monday 31st Aug

Fr. Martin Delaney

Tuesday 1st Sept

Fr. Patrick Devine

African Missions

Wednesday 2nd Sept

Fr. Paddy Byrne

Thursday 3rd Sept

Fr. John McEvoy

Rathvilly / Ballyroan

First Friday 4th Sept (Mass Night)

Fr. Eugene O'Sullivan

Saturday 5th Sept (Mass Night)

Fr. Ollie Maher

Sunday 6th Sept

Bishop Ger Nash

Ferns & Ossory

Monday 7th Sept

Fr. Joe Kavanagh

The Black Abbey

Tuesday 8th (Mass Night)

Fr. Willie Purcell

with Relics

Enquiries Call 085 8407645

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm: Margaret McGree, Carrigan Street, Durrow.

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST 2026

Durrow 11.00am: Kathleen Kearney, Erkindale Drive, 1st Anniversary
Frances & Patrick O'Leary Tinweir
Mick Monahan, Erkindale Drive
James Mahony, Tullamore.

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK

Mon to Fri: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am.

Recent Death: Maria Pia Lalor, née Sala, Dublin 4 & formerly Durrow.

Anniversaries: Tony Bergin, Gurteen, Cullohill
Joe and Vera Murphy, Dereen, Durrow.

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm:

SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Durrow 11.00am: PJ Hutchinsion, Portlaoise & Durrow. Months Mind
Albert Townsend, Swan Rd, Durrow. Months Mind
Canice Farrell, Durrow. 1st Anniversary
Anne Vaugh, Tinweir
Brigid Kavanagh, Carrigan St.

Collections:

Weekend 22nd/23rd August 2026

Loose Plate €248 Envelopes €814

Adoration

Adoration in Cullohill Church every Thursday morning from 10am to 11am
and in Durrow directly after 8.50 am Mass (finishes at 11.30 am) on Mondays
and on Fridays from 7-8pm.

Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico

Dates: 12th-21st October 2023 for 9 Nights

Cost per person sharing €2725

This pilgrimage gives an opportunity to stand before the miraculous tilma,
celebrate Mass and walk in the footsteps of St Juan Diego. We will walk among
the ancient pyramids of Teotihuacan, stand before the Pyramids of the Sun and
Moon, visit the fascinating ancient city of Cholula and experience places where
Mexico's indigenous history and Catholic faith come together.

Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

O Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mystical Rose, make intercession for the Holy
Church, protect the Sovereign Pontiff, help all those who invoke you in their
needs, and since you are the ever Virgin Mary and Mother of the true God, obtain
for us from your most holy Son the grace of keeping our faith, sweet hope in the
midst of the bitterness of life, burning charity, and the precious gift of final
perseverance. Amen.

St Joseph Men's Camino

(Boyne Valley)

25km—One Day—One Pilgrimage. Men aged 18+ only

A pilgrimage that will test the body, enlighten the mind and strengthen the soul

Saturday 12th September, Drogheda, Co. Louth.

Cost: €65 includes lunch and dinner

Book now and find further details at Dominicans.ie



Parish Office Opening Hours

Rathdowney

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9.30 - 2pm & Friday 9.30am - 1pm

Durrow

Wednesday 10am - 1pm & Friday 11am to 1pm