

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 8TH AUGUST 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Michelle Fusco Phelan, Erkina Court. Month's Mind
Kathleen Maher, Johnstown Glebe.
Mary Burke, Erkina Court
Darren Hickey, Coolfin

SUNDAY 9TH AUGUST 2026

Errill 9.30am: Anne Creagh, Mooreville. Month's Mind

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK IN RATHDOWNEY

Tuesday –Friday: Mass at 10 am

Recent Deaths: Elizabeth (Lizzie) Byrne, Ballybuggy.
Liam O'Neill, Mountrath

Anniversaries: Martin Tynan, Clough & Quigley Park.
Marian Dooley, Erkina House
Imelda Ryan, Daly Terrace

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Michael Whelan & deceased members of
the Whelan Family, Kilbreedy.
Maura Daly, Johnstown Glebe.
Teresa Gilman, Newtownperry.

SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST 2026

Errill 9.30am: Theresa Nolan, Cuan Bhride
Agnes Delaney, Graigueavalla
Michael Murphy & deceased members of
the Murphy family, Graigueavalla

Collections

Weekend 1st/ 2nd August 2026

Loose Plate - €214 Envelopes €966

Adoration

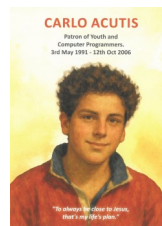
Adoration has paused for the summer and will return in both churches in the week
commencing 7th September.

Rosary available each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

St Carlo Acutis

The relic of Saint Carlo Acutis has returned to the church of the
Immaculate Conception, Castlecomer from the Oratory at
Castlecomer Community School, now that school is closed for the
summer holidays.

All are welcome to pray before the relic.
The church is open from 9am - 5pm daily.



Youth 2000 Summer Festival 13th–16th August

Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in
Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses
available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and
workshops, Youth Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out
and meet other young Catholics.

Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome.

To register or find out more, visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland.

Newsletter for the Parishes of Durrow and Rathdowney

8th/9th August 2026

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Representatives
Rathdowney
John Casey & Helen Campion
Durrow
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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

Parish Office Summer Opening Hours

Rathdowney

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30am - 1pm

Durrow

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



Michael Sutton Charity Memorial Walk and BBQ

Sunday 16 August 2026 in aid of education in Malawi - Schedule

11.00 - Registration in Camross Inn

11.30 - Walk 1 - leave for Monicknew - Bocadh Lodge Loop.
Moderate. 7.5 km/3 hours

12.00 - Walk 2 - leave for Monicknew - Riverside Walk. Easy. 2.5 km/1 hour

12.30 - Buggy friendly walk and face painting in Community Park, Camross
From 2.00 - BBQ & Music in the Camross Inn.

Supported by Pauline Bergin and Bergin Family

Local Author launches New Book

Seosamh O'Cúinneagáin has launched his new Book "Berlin Divided"

Which he has dedicated to the street children in the slums of Kolkata, India

All the proceeds from this book will support their education, dignity and future.

Please contact Tom Flynn @ 087 2936 531 or Kathleen @ 086 8263368 to get a book.

Price € 20

Farewell to Marie

This weekend we say farewell to Marie Hempton who has been living in The Conoboro
for twenty five years. Marie has been very much involved with our Social Services,
Meals on Wheels and the Day Centre. As she returns to Dublin to be closer to her
family we wish her every Blessing and Happiness for the future.

Fr. Martin

Good Luck !

We wish the Laois Intermediate Camogie team every success in the
All Ireland Final on Sunday.



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Cullohill 7.30pm

SUNDAY 9TH AUGUST 2026

Durrow 11.00am: Tom Connelly, London.

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Mon to Fri: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am.

Recent Death: Albert Townsend, The Course, Durrow.

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Cullohill 7.30pm Jim McEvoy, Rapla, Cullohill.

SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST 2026

Durrow 11.00am: John Kelly, Derry Road, 1st Anniversary.

Collections:

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Loose Plate €392 Envelopes €924

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.

We welcome into Durrow Parish Community

Cleo Therese Bergin

who is being baptised this weekend.



Congratulations

To Bríd Delahunty & Rory Phelan
who were married on Friday, August 7th in Cullohill



Durrow Community Hub - 'Darú HQ'

We are please to announce the official opening of Darú HQ on Wed. 16th
Sept by Minister Dara Calleary and Ms Rita Casey.

All are welcome to attend - time will be announced closer to the date.

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