

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

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

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK IN RATHDOWNEY

Tuesday–Friday: Mass at 10 am

Recent Death: Pat Fitzpatrick, Cuan Bhride

Anniversaries: Trishia Button, Castlefleming.
Anton Giltrap, Rathdowney.
William Hetherington, Harristown

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Peg & Andy Bergin, Kilcoran
Brid Davin, & Ann Butler
& deceased members of the Davin & Butler Families.
Bridget Phelan, Quigley Park.

SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Errill 9.30am: Joe Davy, Knockardgannon

Collections

Weekend 29th/30th August 2026

Loose Plate - € 250 Envelopes € 873

Adoration

Adoration in Rathdowney Church on Thursdays after 10am Mass
and in Errill Church on Fridays from 10am until 11am.

Rosary available each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

We welcome into Rathdowney Parish Community

Isabella Michelle & Oliver Lucca Phelan Ferraz

who are being baptised this weekend.



Annual Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Will take place April 20th to 27th in 2027, 7 nights half board @ Hotel Leone at
€899 pp sharing. €100 off if paid in full by the 31st of October 2026, single
supplement €210. Travel Insurance, extra. Luggage allowance 10 KG pp or
20KG for €80 return. Pilgrimage led by Fr. Martin Delaney.

For bookings contact Mary O'Dea @ 0873170084.

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 5th / 6th September 2026 23rd 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

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

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 & Thursday 10am - 2pm & Friday 11am to 2pm

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm: William White, Rapla.

SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Durrow 11.00am: PJ Hutchinson, Portlaoise & Durrow. Months Mind &
Burial of Ashes after Mass
Albert Townsend, Swan Rd, Durrow. Months Mind
Canice Farrell, Durrow. 1st Anniversary
Anne Vaugh, Tinweir
Brigid Kavanagh, Carrigan St.

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK

Mon to Fri: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am.

Anniversaries:

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm:

SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Durrow 11.00am: Kate Stapleton, Dunmore, Durrow
Ellen McGree, Carrigan St, Durrow
Thomas Morrissey, Carrigan St., Durrow.

Collections:

Weekend 29th/30th 2026

Loose Plate € 298 Envelopes € 895

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.



Congratulations

To Darina Grogan & Gavin Doherty
who were married on Saturday 29th August in Durrow

Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico

Dates: 12th-21st October 2026 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.