MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Memorial Mass

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2026 – All Saints Day

Errill 9.30 am: John & Margaret Meehan, Grogan
Gary & Elizabeth Davy, Clonmeen
Larry Finn, Clonmeen
Paddy & Collette Kavanagh, The Square.

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

Monday Nov 2nd – All Souls Day Mass in Rathdowney at 7pm

Tuesday: Mass at 10am:

Wednesday 10am: Monica Mc Donnell, Galway

Thursday: Mass at 10am

Friday 10am: Seanie Phelan, Whiteswall, Galmoy

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: **First Holy Communion Enrolment Mass**
Mary Gray, Knockiel, Months Mind
Mick Delaney, Graigueavalla, Months Mind
May Clancy, Rapla
Sheila Rafter, Cuan Bhride & Clonmeen

SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2026 – All Saints Day

Errill 9.30 am: John, Teresa & Michael O Dea, Clonmeen

Anniversaries: William O'Dea, Clonmeen

Collections **Weekend 24th / 25th October 2026**

Loose Plate - € 203 Envelopes - € 1025

Adoration

Adoration in Rathdowney on Thursday after 10am Mass
and in Errill on Friday from 10.30am to 11.30am
Rosary available each evening - Monday to Friday at 5.30pm on the Webcam.

Castlefleming Community Alert

Will hold its AGM on Wednesday 11th November at 8pm in Dowling's Bar. All Welcome.

Safefood Ireland - Food Environment Exhibition

Takes place in Rathdowney library from 11-18 November 2026.

Come and see people's vision for a healthier food environment

TRU Way Defining Our Place

Community engagement and information workshop Wednesday 4th November 3-5pm in the Clochar Centre, Rathdowney.
Help create a shared vision for Templemore, Rathdowney & Urlingford and the surrounding villages and hinterland. Everyone is welcome – individuals, communities and stakeholders

Anam Cara

Next Bereavement Information Evening will centre around where creativity intersects with grief with renowned author and psychotherapist, Sasha Bates. 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.

This event will take place online on Thursday 19 November at 7pm.

Newsletter for the Parishes of Durrow and Rathdowney
31st October / 1st November 2026
All Saints Day

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person - Ailish Higgins
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; Seamus Clancy; Liam Kavanagh; Pádraig Kiely; Anne-Marie Kiely
Sr. Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

Parish Office Opening Hours

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

Durrow: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10 am to 2 pm

Ireland's 3rd National First Saturdays Conference

This year's conference will take place in Knock on Saturday November 28th. The day begins at 10am and finishes at 5pm. It includes Holy Mass, adoration, talks, and a healing service. Speakers include: Fr Patrick Cahill, Geraldine O'Donnell, Fr Leon Pereira OP, Nikki Kingsley, Fr Marius O'Reilly, Fr. Jaimie Twohig, Christine O'Hara, Fr. Mark Quinn, and Fr Philip Kemmy, Fr. John Keane will lead a Eucharistic Healing Service. More information and the list of buses going are available on www.firstsaturdays.ie. At Fatima Our Lady promised that if we did what she asked there would be peace in the world and that many souls would be saved.

Volunteer Drivers Needed.

The Irish Cancer Society is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers to join our pool of drivers. As a volunteer driver you would be bringing patients undergoing chemotherapy to the hospital and back home for their treatment. Gifting your time means that cancer patients will have comfortable (one on one) transport to attend appointments for their lifesaving treatment.

If you can spare 2 days per month, have a valid driving licence, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. The Irish Cancer Society will provide you with training before you start as a driver for us. Your generosity not only eases the journey for many during a challenging time but also offers comfort and support when it's needed most.

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

The feedback we receive from patients that have relied on the Transport Service in the past is heart-warming and underlines the need of its existence. We would be extremely grateful for your support, as it will help us to continue supporting those who are impacted by cancer

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2026

Cullohill 7.30 pm:

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2026 – All Saints Day

Durrow 11 am: Peter & Mary Loughman, Newtown, Durrow
Sean & Agnes Conroy, Mary Street
Jill Cooney, Erkindale Drive, Durrow
Canice Clooney, Durrow.

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

Monday Nov 2nd – All Souls Day Mass in Cullohill at 7.45pm

Monday to Friday: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am
Durrow 7pm **Friday 6th November - Memorial Mass**

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2026

Cullohill 7.30 pm: Sean Muldowney, Parknahown
Edmund Kenny, Newtown, Durrow

SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2026 – All Saints Day

Durrow 11 am: Dr William & Lil Bannon, their Daughter Fionnula and son Liam, The Square, Durrow.
Margaret (Peg) Phelan, Knockanoran, Durrow

Anniversaries: Patrick & John O'Hara, Tubberboe
John & Annie Ryan, Tubberboe
Bert, Bridie & John Gee and Daisy Sullivan, Dunmore.

Collections **Weekend 17th/18th October 2026**

Loose Plate - €272 Envelopes - € 1453

Adoration

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

Christmas Concert



Michael English, featuring Durrow and Cullohill Parish Choirs Sunday 6th December 2026 in Holy Trinity Church, Durrow. Doors open at 5 pm for 6 pm start. A festive evening of Songs, Stories, Faith & Inspiration

Tickets €30 available from both of our Parish Offices (opening times below) Or through www.michaelenglish.ie (where booking fee applies) Parish Office Opening Hours Rathdowney: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9.30 - 2pm & Friday 9.30am - 1pm Durrow: Wednesday & Thursday 10am - 2pm & Friday 11am to 2pm

Remembrance Mass

Our Annual Mass of Remembrance for those who died during the past year will take place in Durrow Church on Friday 6th November at 7.00pm. If you wish to have a candle presented at this Mass in memory of your deceased relative, please contact the Parish Office on 085 26 25 033 (Durrow) or email durrow@ossory.ie Please let us know who will be there on the night to present the candle Candles will be supplied by the Parish.