

**Name of memorial:** Fr. Kearns Memorial

**Inventory No. 1295**

**Place:** St. Mary's Catholic Church

**Address and map reference:** St. Mary's Catholic Church, St. Mary's Street, Edenderry  
Co. Offaly.

Co-ordinates: N 53.3379; W 7.06083.

**Access:** when the church is open. **Parking:** adjacent. **Disabled access:** yes.

**Position:**

**Description and dimensions:** church clock, and plaque inside the church door, to the left.  
(Plaque) Height: appx. 30cms. Width: appx.

**Recorded by:** Edward Bourke 26 December 2020.

**Text:**

**The Tower Clock**  
**is the gift of**  
**Rev. Paul Murphy and parishioners**  
**In Memory of Father Kearns**  
**who for "Faith and Fatherland"**  
**was hanged in A.D.1798 from**  
**the branch of a tree in the wood**  
**overlooking the town of Edenderry.**  
**His body is interred in the**  
**graveyard of Monasteroris Abbey**  
**R.I.P.**  
**First Centenary Year of Catholic emancipation**  
**A.D 1929**