

# PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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## MASS TIMES

### St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

10am Daily Mass (Mon. – Fri.)  
 6.15pm (Vigil – Saturday),  
 9am & 12.15pm Sunday

### St. John's Church, Killenard

10.30am Sunday

## MASS TIMES

### St. Paul's Church, Emo

7.30pm (Vigil – Saturday),  
 11am Sunday

### Sacred Heart Church, Rath

9am Sunday



## SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2019 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR C

### ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 11<sup>th</sup> Mar. 10am Bridget Hoey, St. Mary's Terrace & Linda Hoey, Clanmalire

Tues. 12<sup>th</sup> Mar. 10am ---

Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> Mar. 10am Leo Dempsey, Shandra (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)

Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> Mar. 10am Bridie & George Quinn, Bishopswood Road

Fri. 15<sup>th</sup> Mar. 10am Michael & Gertie Healy, St. Patrick's Tce. & grandson Michael Healy

#### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March – 6.15pm

Charlie Mooney, Botley Court (M.M.)  
 Tom (Nesh) Shortall, St. Brigid's Sq. (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.);  
 Leo Dempsey, Shandra (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.); James (Jim) McMahon, St. Michael's Park; William (Billy) Whelan, Marian Hill; Joseph Kelly, Marian Hill; John Knight Snr., St. Mary's Tce;

Nan & Jack Ryan, Church Lane;  
 Thomas Kennedy Snr. Gracefield (65<sup>th</sup> Anniv.);  
 Bridie McEvoy, St. Joseph's Tce. Sean Ryan (7<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) & Kay Ryan (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) The Square

#### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March – 12.15pm

Dolores Hunt, St. Joseph's Tce. (M.M.);  
 Thomas Naughton, Foxcroft Ave. (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.);  
 Michael (Mick) Knight, Annamoe (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.);  
 Luke Clarke, Bishopswood; Michael O'Neill, St. Brigid's Sq. & Barry O'Neill, St. Brigid's Sq.  
 John & Eileen Clarke, Marian Hill; Anthony & Kathleen Kinsella & Anthony Jnr. & dec. members of the Kinsella Family, Gracefield;  
 William McEvoy, St. Joseph's Tce. (7<sup>th</sup> Anniv.);  
 Tommy & Carmel O'Neill, St. Brigid's Sq;  
 Tom Fitzgerald, Avondale

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March – 6.15pm

Maura Lawlor, Foxcroft St. (M.M.); Rosaleen Purcell, Marian Hill; Patricia Bourke, Emo; Mick & Kathleen Gannon, Marian Hill; Liam, Jimmy, John & Michael Gannon; Brendan, Frank & Mollie Martin; Donie McDermott, Garryhinch; Eddie & Margaret Rogers, Main St; John McCowen, Station Rd; John (Jacko) Roycroft & dec. members of the Roycroft Family, Bracklone St; Seamus Gorry, St. Brigid's Sq. (14<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Fergus Geoghegan, Crowe Lane; Con (10<sup>th</sup>) & Joan (20<sup>th</sup>) Coughlan, Assumpta Tce; Nancy Delaney, Bracklone St; Marie Crofton, Patrick St; Denis Delaney, Spa St; Elizabeth Allen, Bishopswood; Sheila & Jimmy Mulhall, Bishopswood; Hugh, Annie & Mary O'Leary

#### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March – 12.15pm

Anna Maria Garry & Timothy Garry, Cloneyquinn; Dec. members of the Garry Family; Thomas Carey, St. Brigid's Sq; Tony Ryan, Lea Rd; Jack & Dora Madden, Bracklone St; Seamus Gorry, St. Brigid's Sq. (14<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); John Kelly; Sarah McEvoy & Leonard McEvoy, Gracefield; Dec. members of the Comhaltas Portarlington Branch; Kathleen Kelly, Seskin; Elizabeth & Edward Coogan, Shiphouse

### ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

#### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March – 10.30am

Una McCormack, Woodenbridge (M.M.)  
 Brian Kelly, Killenard; Nancy Whelehan, Closeland (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Bridget & William Coleman, Closeland

#### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March – 10.30am

John Hickey, Braemor Hse. (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)  
 Joseph & Maureen Hickey, their Son Joseph, Braemor Hse. & Bishopswood; Dec. members of the Hickey Family; John Tynan, Springfield & his parents John & Lillie Tynan, Old Pound;  
 Bridie Murray, Ballycarroll;  
 John Davis, Old Pound;

### ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

#### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March – 7.30pm

Bridget & John Leavy, St. Michael's Park  
 Mary Flynn, Hand Road. (52<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)  
 Jack & Nellie Pigott, Woodbrook; Tony Coleman, Tinnakill; Dec. members of the Pigott, Coughlan & Coleman Families  
 James O'Connor, Rossmore, Vicarstown (8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

#### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March – 7.30pm

Christina Walsh, Knightstown (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)  
 Her Daughter Julann (58<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
 John Davis, Old Pound; Tom Delaney, New Inn; Attracta Kelly, Ballybrittas

### ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

#### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March – 9am

Michael Kinsella Snr., Fisherstown  
 Joseph Mollay, Fisherstown  
 Paddy & Alice Dobbyn, Courtwood

### LENT 2019

#### 'SUNDAY MASS - DIGGING

As part of our Lenten journey this year, Bishop Denis is asking you to join with him in reflecting on our Sunday Mass – digging deeper and renewing our belief in this central act of our Christian life. Resources available on Kandle.ie



#### SIGNPOSTS ON THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

This programme will be hosted by a number of parishes across our Diocese. Each of the stand-alone sessions explores a different part of the Mass. This programme offers a fresh approach for our own personal reflection on and engagement with the Mass.  
 Venue: Balcony Theatre, Mountmellick Community Arts Centre.  
 Four Thursday nights – March 21<sup>st</sup>, March 28<sup>th</sup>, April 4<sup>th</sup> and April 11<sup>th</sup> from 7.30pm – 9pm. All very welcome.

### LECTORS (READERS) (16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> March)

#### Portarlington

Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> 6.15pm Anita Donohoe / Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> 9am Dan Fingleton / 12.15pm Emma Dunne

#### Killenard

Sun. 10.30am Stephen Kealey

#### Emo

Sat. 7.30pm Stephanie Lewis  
 Sun. 11am Doreen Dunne

#### Rath

Sun. 9am Sinead Boland

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup>)

#### Portarlington Team C

Killenard Team B

### 1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION

#### Do This In Memory Programme 2019

We welcome the children from our Parish who will receive the sacraments to First Holy Communion this year.

#### First Confessions



#### Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard:

7.30pm Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> March, St. John's Church

#### Sacred Heart NS, Rath:

7pm Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> March, Sacred Heart Church

#### St. Paul's NS, Emo:

8.15pm Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> March, St. Paul's Church

#### St. Patrick's BNS & Cloneyhurke NS:

7.30pm Tues. 19<sup>th</sup> Mar. St. Michael's Church

#### Presentation Primary School:

7.30pm Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> March, St. Michael's Church

### BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community:

#### PORTARLINGTON

Bradley Hraboucak, Corrig Lodge

Noah Tadhg Lawless, Lough Gate

Noah Lee McNair, Main Street

Theodore Anthony Morahan, Castlegate

### LENTEN STATIONS

Lenten Stations for the support of the priests of the parish will take place at all masses this weekend. It will take the form of a second collection. Envelopes available in Church porches if you haven't got Envelope Boxes & wish to contribute.

### MASSES FOR LENT



Portarlington: Each day at 10am

Killenard: Fri. 7.30pm

## CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME,

### THE EARTH



One third of our bee species are threatened with extinction from Ireland. This is because we have drastically reduced the amount of food (flowers) and safe nesting sites in our landscapes. The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan is about all of us, from farmers to local authorities, to schools, faith communities, families, gardeners and businesses, coming together to try to create an Ireland where pollinators can survive and thrive. To see what you can do, check out [www.pollinators.ie](http://www.pollinators.ie)

### FRIENDS TOGETHER SOCIAL CLUB



Would you like to be a friend or to make a friend? Come along and have a cup of tea and a chat. Activities include: Board games / table quiz / Art and crafts / Mini-breaks. Call into the Scouts Den, Main Street, Portarlington Tues. & Fri. from 2.30pm – 5pm. All very welcome.

### MOUNTMELICK DRAMA FESTIVAL 2019



Mountmellick Community Arts Centre at 8pm each night. Season ticket (8 nights) €50 / Concessions €25. 1 night €10 / Concessions €5. Group booking available. Programme:

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Mar. Rabbit Hole

Mon. 11<sup>th</sup> Mar. Same Old Moon

Tues. 12<sup>th</sup> Mar. A Fine Bright Day Today

Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> Mar. Bloomsday

Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> Mar. The Mill on the Floss

Fri. 15<sup>th</sup> Mar. The Quare Land

Further details and booking contact: Jessie 087-7942994 E-mail [jessieconroy61@gmail.com](mailto:jessieconroy61@gmail.com)  
Noreen 087-4121205 E-mail [norsavage@eircom.net](mailto:norsavage@eircom.net) Follow us on Facebook!

### MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE 2019

7 Night Package Inclusive €705. 3 Oct. - 10 Oct.2019. Spiritual Director Fr. Sean Hyland CC - Contact Michael Nerney 086-8157305.

### KIDS RUGBY INTRODUCTION

Kids Rugby Introduction - Fun and Fitness classes in Portlaoise each Saturday morning. Classes for kids aged 2 1/2- 5 years. Check out [www.rugbytots.ie](http://www.rugbytots.ie) for more information or phone 087-3585762.

### BRIDGE CLASSES

Bridge classes take place every Monday morning at 11am until 12.30am in Portarlington Golf Club. Very enjoyable and friendly so come along and join us for bridge and a cuppa afterwards. Contact 087-6992854.

### GUITAR LESSONS

Guitar lessons available in the Ballybrittas area – Friday evening & Saturday. Classes suitable for the 9–12 year age-group. Contact Chloe on 087-7724903.

### CAKE SALE

St.Conleth's LGFC are hosting a Cake Sale at 10:30am in the Old School, Killenard on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March (today). Please support!

### ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB - LOTTO

#### RESULTS 5.3.2016

Letters: H S K M – No Jackpot winner €25 to Chris Hoskins & Katherina Doyle. Sellers prize Chris Hoskins. Next Jackpot draw will take place on 19<sup>th</sup> March. Jackpot €10,000.

### RATH LADIES CLUB

Monday next, 11<sup>th</sup> March a class in Decoupage – Fun for all – Commencing 8.30pm in the Fisherman's Pub.

## SIGNS OF HOLINESS – LENT

Lent is a highway of holiness. Signposts along the way point towards the renewal of our baptismal promises and the joy of Easter Sunday. The ashes on our foreheads are our pilgrim badge marking us as penitents, seeking God's forgiveness and mercy. Our prayer is a sign of our hunger and thirst for God. Our fasting is a sign of sorrow for our sin and openness to conversion and turning back to God. Our almsgiving is a sign of gratitude, for we have received mercy, and through generous giving show mercy.



### PORTARLINGTON LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The 2019 Pilgrimage will take place from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> August 2019 - 7 nights full board Hotel Solitude\*\*\*\*. Price €839 per person sharing. Transport to airport included. For booking contact Marie 087-7589896 or Vera 087 9311813 or any member of the Committee.

### CONVERSATIONAL GERMAN GROUP

Conversational German Group for Secondary School Students have commenced this weekend and continues every Saturday at 3pm in the "Make Port" Enterprise Centre, Canal Road. Cost €5 per class of approx. 45 mins. Contact Elke 087-6427258.

### SUAIMHNEAS – CAPPAKEEL – EMO



#### Spring 2019 Workshops

#### The Green Route "Let nothing be wasted"

13<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm-9.30pm

Get practical tips and information on how to reduce waste and reduce plastic use.

#### E.F.T. (Emotional Freedom Techniques)

23<sup>rd</sup> March 3pm-5pm

Helping deal with stress, anxiety and negative emotions. This technique can help alleviate your stress, anxiety and more. This new way really is a new way!

#### Reflexology Network Meeting

30<sup>th</sup> March 3pm-6pm

Relaxing afternoon where qualified Reflexologists meet, share information and offer one another a therapy treatment. Therapists can also gain CPD points. Further info. Phone Alice on 641-3749194

#### "Awakening to who you are"

1<sup>st</sup> Day – Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> April / 2<sup>nd</sup> Day – 18<sup>th</sup> May / 3<sup>rd</sup> Day 29<sup>th</sup> June

Introduces participants to a pathway of personal development and spiritual awakening.

#### Introduction to centering Prayer

2<sup>nd</sup> April 7.30pm-9.30pm

Further information on these & other weekly workshops visit [www.suaimhneas.ie](http://www.suaimhneas.ie) 057-8626541. [info@suaimhneas.ie](mailto:info@suaimhneas.ie) Spaces are limited so booking is essential

### BABY MASSAGE CLASSES

Next course starting Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March and the following three Monday's 1, 8, & 15 April 2019 from 10 to 11.30am at Yogaland Studio Portarlington. Booking essential. For more details contact: Catriona 086-8890005.

### FUNDING & RESOURCE WORKSHOP

Laois PPN invites all community groups from across the county to attend their Funding and Resources Workshop on Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> March in the Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise from 5pm-9pm. Come see what grants, funding, training and resources your groups can avail of. No registration required. Light food & refreshments will be served. Further info. contact Suzanne O'Connor 057-8665661 or email [ppn@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:ppn@laoiscoco.ie)

## TROCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN

Lent 2019 highlights the different ways land is stolen from vulnerable people – by corporate land grabs, or simply because they are women. Lent 2019 ask people in Ireland to show their love by supporting people in the world's poorest countries who are often defenceless against these attacks. This Lent you can help the world's poorest people whose land and futures are being stolen from them. Trocaire envelopes containing literature and a box are available at the Church Porches. Learn about Maria, Patricia and Maya and get your Lent calendar.



### CORPORAL

#### WORKS OF MERCY

The Corporal Works of Mercy are:

Feed the hungry  
Give drink to the thirsty  
Clothe the naked  
Harbour the homeless  
Visit the sick  
Visit the imprisoned  
Bury the dead



### SPIRITUAL

#### WORKS OF MERCY

Spiritual Works of Mercy are

Instruct the ignorant  
Counsel the doubtful  
Admonish the sinner  
Bear wrongs patiently  
Forgive offences willingly  
Comfort the afflicted  
Pray for the living and the dead



### DIGITAL SKILLS PORTARLINGTON



The not-for-profit organisation, "Third Age", is starting five week digital skills classes in Portarlington soon. Classes are for people aged 45 and over; those with a disability or unemployed. To register your interest, phone Third Age on 046- 9557766.

Email: [nationaloffice@thirdageireland.ie](mailto:nationaloffice@thirdageireland.ie) or long on to [www.thirdageireland.ie](http://www.thirdageireland.ie). Learn how to access your bank on line and more.....

### EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO

#### Lotto results 4<sup>th</sup> Mar. 2019



Numbers: 6, 14, 21, 23 – No Jackpot winner €25 to each of the following:-

Richard O'Connor C/o Rath Cards

Mick Behan C/o Mick

Frank Walsh C/o The Gate House

John Molloy C/o Rath Cards

Rose Smith C/o Emo Shop

Next week's Jackpot €2,400

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT MOUNT ST ANNE'S



#### Taize Evenings

Thur. 28<sup>th</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup> April, 11<sup>th</sup> April and Wed. 17<sup>th</sup> April from 8-9pm. Join us for candle lit prayer each evening. No charge – donations at your own discretion. Booking / further info. contact Catherine on 057-8626153.

### EMO TIDY TOWNS

In conjunction with Emo Tidy Towns the recent used battery recycling project with St. Paul's N.S., Emo was a great success and will continue. Please collect all used batteries. The school children will dispose of them safely for collection by KMK Tullamore Metal Recycling.