

Parishes of Portarlington & Emo

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MASS TIMES

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

10am Daily Mass (Monday – Friday)
6.15pm (Vigil – Sat.), 9am & 12.15pm Sunday

St. John's Church, Killenard 10.30am Sun.

St. Paul's Church, Emo 7.30pm Sat. /11am Sun.

Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am Sun.



CELEBRATION OF MASS VIA WEBCAM

Link to live streaming from
St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

www.mcnlive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington



Portarlington & Emo Parish
@EmoParish

12TH APRIL 2026

Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday

Year 'A'

WEEKEND ANNIV. PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 11th April – 6.15pm

Christina (Chrissie) Bennett, Main St. (M.M.)
Sheila Monagher (1st Anniv.) & William
Monagher (4th Anniv.), Orchard Drive; Bridie
Higgins (1st Anniv.) & Frank Higgins (1st Anniv.),
Annamore; Angela Byrne (13th Anniv.) & Tom
Byrne (5th Anniv.), Cushina; Brendan McNally,
Spa St; Michael Bourke, St. Brigid's Sq. (21st
Anniv.); Bridget (Bridie) O'Connor, Patrick Street
(5th Anniv.); Frank Kelly, Cushina (10th Anniv.)
Mary Hynes, St Joseph's Tce, (10th Anniv)
Samuel Murphy, Monasterevin (B/Day Rem.)

Sun. 12th April – 12.15pm

Oliver Wright, Droughill (M.M.)
Christy Deegan, Mill Lane, Garryhinch (M.M.)
Bill Devereux, Millbrook Manor (6th Anniv.)
Nora & Paddy Devereux; Tom & Elizabeth Ryan;
Brian Crossan, Station Rd. (11th Anniv.)
Kevin Barry & Micheál Barry; Thomas Fingleton,
Shandra & dec. members of the Fingleton
Family, Shandra; Ciaran Treacy, Kilmalogue
(12th Anniv.) John & Billy Carroll, Fermoy,
Andy & Joe Keegan, Cloneyhurke

Sat. 18th April – 6.15pm

Bill Bolton, Blackhall Bridge (7th Anniv.)
Cecelia Broughan, St. Brigid's Sq. (8th Anniv.)
Brenda Dempsey; Amanda Knight, St. Joseph's
Tce; John Geoghegan, Cushina; Patrick
Geoghegan Snr. & Jnr; Jacinta Geoghegan;
Bridie Power, Avondale

Sun. 19th April 12.15pm

Moll O'Reilly, Avondale (2nd Anniv.); John &
Eileen Hickey, Liam Hickey, Mary Hickey & Kitty
Sheeran; Patrick Delaney, Bracklone; Larry &
Joan O'Mahoney, Patrick St; Patrick & Bridget
Delaney, Spa Street

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sun. 12th April 10.30am

Jim Mulhall, Ballintogher; Fr. Joe Mulhall,
Ballintogher & Glasgow; Sister Clare Mulhall,
Ballintogher & Wexford

Sun. 19th April 10.30am

Rita McDonnell, Springfield & dec. members of
the Durkan Family; Phil O'Hora, Killenard

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY THROUGH BAPTISM



Odhrán Michael Burke
Coolbanagher



WEEKDAY PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 13th April – Liz Fox

Tues. 14th April –

Wed. 15th April – John & Julia Murray,
Assumpta Terrace

Thurs. 16th April – Mollie Slattery & dec.
members of the Slattery Family

Fri. 17th April – Richard & Alice McCann

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Sat. 11th April 7.30pm

John & Betty Doonan, Bellgrove; Martin &
Anne Buggy, Knightstown; Elizabeth Gleeson,
Morette, Christy Gleeson, Morette; Elizabeth
(Lily) Keogh, St. Brigid's Sq. & Morette (4th
Anniv.)

Sun. 12th April 11am

Kitty Brophy, Killeen (9th Anniv.); Noel Mee
(17th Anniv.); John & Ellen Dowling, Morette;
Fredrick & Elizabeth Prior, Morette & their
daughter Caitriona; Christopher & Annie
Lawlor; Noel Lawlor, Woodbrook; William
Lawlor; Thomas O'Connor & James O'Connor,
Woodbrook; Colm Lawlor, Killimy

Sat. 18th April 7.30pm

JJ Treacy, Morette (2nd Anniv.); Paula Treacy,
Morette & dec. members of the Treacy Family

Sun. 19th April 11am

Johny & Ger O'Connor, Rossmore,
Vicarstown; John & Helen Egan, Patrick St;
Brigid Mahon, Patrick Street;

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sun. 12th April 9am

Cora O'Dwyer (7th Anniv.); Paddy O'Dwyer,
John & Norah Kavanagh

Sun. 19th April 9am

Patrick (Paddy) Fitzgerald, Bellgrove (10th
Anniv.); Tom Fitzgerald, Avondale; Margaret &
Thomas Mullen, Corrig; Bridget Thorpe,
Rathangan

EASTER COLLECTION FOR THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH – THANK YOU!

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to
the recent collection for the Priests of the
Parish. Your generosity is greatly
appreciated.

ADORATION BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tues. after 10am Mass until 7pm finishing
with Rosary.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

HOW TO PRAY

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

(Use an ordinary Rosary)



Make the Sign of the Cross.
Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary and
The Apostles' Creed.

On the Our Father beads say:

*Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood,
Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son,
Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our
sins and those of the whole world.*

On the Hail Mary beads say:

*For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have
mercy on us and on the whole world.*

Repeat for the five decades.

Conclude by repeating this prayer 3 times:

*Holy God, Holy Mighty One,
Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us
and on the whole world. ✠*

FIRST CONFESSIONS

(For children receiving their 1st Holy
Communion in May and June 2026)



Presentation Primary School, Station Road
Tues. 14th April at 7.30pm in St. Michael's Church,
Portarlington

Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road

Wed. 15th April at 7.30pm in St.

Michael's Church, Portarlington

Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard

Thurs. 16th April at 7.30pm in St.

John's Church, Killenard

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath

Wed. 22nd April at 7pm in Church of the Sacred
Heart, Rath

St. Paul's N.S., Emo & Cloneyhurke N.S.

Wed. 22nd April 8pm in St. Paul's Church, Emo

TROCAIRE

All outstanding Trocaire boxes should be returned
as soon as possible. Please do not leave the
Trocaire boxes on the seats or around the Church.
Many thanks for the amount collected to date:-

Portarlington €8,903.00

Emo €2,451.00

EMO – RATH - PARISH LOTTO

The next draw takes place 13th April.
Jackpot €2,400.

CEMETERY MASS 2026



Killenard – Fri. 3rd July – 7.30pm
Portarlinton - Fri. 10th July – 7.30pm
Emo New Cemetery – Fri. 31st July – 7.30pm

IMPORTANT DATES 2026

Ascension Sunday 17th May
Pentecost Sunday 24th May
Trinity Sunday 31st May
Corpus Christi Sunday 6th June
1st Sunday of Advent 29th November

PENTECOST RETREAT - SLI AN CHROI, ST. PATRICKS MISSIONARY SOC., KILTEGAN

We invite you to relive that first Pentecost – invoking the Holy Spirit as the Church's life giving breath. Fri. 22nd May – Sun. 24th May, €315.00 per person. Enq: Michele Sinnott slianchroi@spms.ie 089 4690 508

EMO/RATH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026

20th – 24th July 2026 – (5 nights). Departing from by Dublin Airport. Staying in the 4**** Hotel Roissy. €785 per person sharing. Further info. & booking contact Deirdre on 087 2299457 or Tony on 086 1225833.

PORTARLINGTON PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The 2026 Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Friday 17th July until Fri. 24th July (7 nights full board). Flying from Dublin Airport. Buses included from Portarlinton. Cost €1195 per person sharing. Queries & booking contact Marie Corcoran on 087 7589896.

PORTARLINGTON MUSICAL SOCIETY

AGM will be held on 26th April in Parochial Hall from 3-5pm. All new and current members welcome. We will also be announcing our 2027 musical. We are looking for contestants for our event 'Stars in their Eyes' either solo, pairs or group entries to be in by 30th April 2026. portarlintonmusicalsociety@gmail.com

HAPPY HEARTS ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Join us weekly for some fun activities and weekly chats. Club activities: Art, dance, fitness, bingo. Thursday 2-4pm in Sandra's Studio, Portarlinton Community Centre. Contact us on 087 8061567.

O'DEMPSEY'S GFC NEWS

Lotto Results: Numbers drawn 7th April: 11, 16, 22, 28. No Jackpot winner. Match 3 winners: Shane Brennan, Paul Melia. Promoter: Noel Behan. Next Draw: Monday 13th April with a Jackpot of €10,400. Thanks for your support.
Club Mass: Our Annual Club Mass takes place at 7.30pm, Friday, May 1st at the O'Dempsey's Clubhouse. All welcome.

ACCORD

Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators to support couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Free training for successful applicants. The closing date for receipt of forms is Fri. 29th May 2026. Contact Aisling on 01 5053112 or marriagepreparation@accord.ie

LAOIS LEISURE SWIMMING LESSONS

Portarlinton Leisure Centre
Little swimmers to level 6 / Lane lessons & Rookie lifeguard. Now in open bookings. €120 per child – 20% sibling discount. Course begins Mon. 20th April. 3-5 year old little swimmers / 5-15 year olds free swim assessment available. Lane lessons €105 per child. Register your child today – Phone 057 8645800.



2026

Presentation Primary School, Station Road

Sat. 9th May 2016 at 11.30am in St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton

St. Paul's N.S., Emo & Cloneyhurke N.S.

Sun. 10th May 2026 at 11am in St. Paul's Church, Emo

Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard

Sat. 16th May, 2026 at 11.30am in St. John's Church, Killenard



Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road

Sat. 23rd May, 2026 at 11.30am in St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath

Sat. 6th June, 2026 at 11.30am in Church of the Sacred Heart, Rath

BADMINTON

Monday's 7-9pm in the Sports Hall, Portarlinton Community Centre. No need to book – Just drop in and give it a try.

BIG BUSK 2026 PORTARLINGTON



Street music for a 'Home Supporting Focus Ireland'. Friday 1st May on Main Street, Portarlinton from 11am until late. Phone David on 087 1047513. Come along, enjoy fantastic live performances and help us #EndHomelessness in Ireland! Donate & learn more at www.focusireland.ie

NATIONAL EPILEPSY WEEK 2026

National Epilepsy week takes place from 18th May until 25th May 2026. For further information visit: www.epilepsy.ie/content/national-epilepsy-week-2026-epilepsyweek

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB CLONEYHURKE

Social Dance: The next dance will take place on Sat. 18th April. Music by Glen Flynn. Admission €10. Doors open at 9pm. All other activities return:

Irish Speaking Sessions: On Monday 13th April with Natasha. Come along, have fun and enjoy the cupla focal. €2 each night. Please note the new time from 7.30pm to 8.30pm.

Keep Fit on Wednesday's and Friday's from 7-8pm with Emer. €8 each night.

Dancing Lessons on Thursday nights with Noeleen from 7.30pm – 9pm. €10 each night. Tá Fáilte romhaibh le gach duine.

COURTWOOD GAA

Courtwood Combined Lotto – €18,600!
Get your ticket at Ballybrittas Service Station, The Final Furlong, or on the Clubforce app. Scan the QR code to go straight to Clubforce!

Easter Egg Hunt, Raffle & Cuppa

Thank you for all who attended and supported this event it was a great morning had by all.

Club Membership Now Open

Be part of the heartbeat of Courtwood GAA. Purchase Membership, & Lotto via: Clubforce App. Registrar Brian Nolan. Treasurers Aileen Carroll & PJ Kelly.

Support Courtwood GAA — buying weekly Lotto ticket, renew your membership, and help our club grow. Thank you!

GRACEFIELD GAA - CLUB LOTTO

Date 6th April 2026 – Week No. 15
Numbers 28, 23, 19, 30 – No jackpot winner. €50 to each of the following:- Mary Evans; Paul Cooper; Paddy Bryan; Hanna Luttrell; Daniel & Noah Whittle. Promoter prize Pat Keegan.
Next week's Jackpot €7,400.

E-BIKE PROJECT

The PCDA will launch the Portarlinton eBike Library this APRIL, providing an opportunity to demonstrate the potential for e-mobility to transform commuting patterns & reduce transport emissions. The BIKE LIBRARY PROJECT will give families the opportunity to borrow one of three types of e-bike, a long tail bike, cargo bike or foldable bike for a set period (3 months). The only financial outlay is a deposit of €150 which is returned after the lending period. This will allow them to experience using these bikes before having to decide to buy one.

MARKET HOUSE – THE SQUARE

To book a room at the Market house for your club meetings, business meetings, events, dance, song, yoga, pilates go to our website www.portarlinton.ie. Enquiries to info@portarlinton.ie

THEOLOGY OPEN DAY

Theology Open Day, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Click [here](#) or visit our website prioryinstitute.com to find out more about our Open Day on Saturday 18th April.

PORTARLINGTON ANGLING CLUB

2026 SEASON

Fishing permits for the 2026 angling season on the river Barrow and Derryounce lakes are now open for renewal to existing annual permit holders. Remittances to be sent to club officials before end of April 2026.

For new applications, send your expression of interest to portangling@gmail.com for consideration at the next angling club committee meeting. River Barrow permits are available currently.

Derryounce lake permits are restricted in availability and could be limited to day ticket permits only. Angling club contact numbers: 087 2778043, 086 8744343, 085 2042101.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 2026

Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations will be held in Moore Abbey Chapel, Monasterevin, on Sun. 12th April 2026. All are invited & very welcome to attend. Celebrations begin with confession at 2pm followed by Mass at 3pm.



DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

*Eternal Father,
In whom mercy is endless
and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible
look kindly upon us.*

*Increase your mercy in us that, in difficult
moments we might not despair or become
despondent, but with great confidence submit
ourselves to your holy will.*

*Which is LOVE and MERCY itself.
AMEN*