

PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO

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PARISH OFFICE

Tel: 057 8643004 - Email: portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net / Parish Office Hours: 9.30am – 1.30pm Mon. – Fri.
 Anniversary Masses, Baptisms and Weddings can be booked by contacting the Parish Office during opening hours.

DIOCESE www.kandle.ie **SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline: 116 123** Email: jo@samaritans.org **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** 087 7640557

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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 12TH JANUARY, 2020

Baptism of the Lord YEAR 'A'

ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 13th Jan. 10am Mary McEvoy, St. Patrick's Tce.
 Tues. 14th Jan. 10am ---
 Wed. 15th Jan. 10am ---
 Thurs. 16th Jan. 10am ---
 Fri. 17th Jan. 10am Shirley Hoey, Botley Court /
 William Hoey, St. Mary's Terrace

Saturday 11th January – 6.15pm

Patrick Ryan, Arlington Est. & Lea Rd;
 Ann Connolly, Spa St. (7th Anniv.); Joseph
 Murphy, Gracefield & dec. members of the
 Murphy Family; Maurice Kelly, St. Michael's Pk.
 Michael Costello, St. Patrick's Tce,

Sunday 12th January – 12.15pm

Maureen McEvoy, Avondale
 Bridie & John O'Donnell, St. Brigid's Sq;
 Mollie Coughlan, Kilmalogue;
 Tony Harris, Market Square

Saturday 18th January – 6.15pm

Patrick Bracken, St. Brigid's Sq. (4th Anniv.)
 Michael Murphy, Annamoe (4th Anniv.) & dec.
 members of the Murphy Family; Elizabeth
 Dempsey, Monasterevin (4th Anniv.); Seamus
 Dowling, Station Court (5th Anniv.);
 Frances Ellard, Clanmalire (10th Anniv.);
 Julia & Matt Colgan, Annamoe;
 Johnnie & Mai Lalor, Cloneyhurke

Sunday 19th January -12.15pm

Brigid Costello, Avondale (1st Anniv.);
 Pauline Hooks, Patrick St. (6th Anniv.); Brian
 Conroy, Avondale; Joseph & Ellen Bracken,
 Cloneygowan & sons Milo & J.J. Bracken & son-
 in-law Joe Dunne; Brian Higgins Jnr.;
 Michael Dolan, St. Brigid's Square

ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

Sunday 12th January – 10.30am

Kathleen Costello, Bracklone St. (2nd Anniv.)
 JJ Bannon, Lea; Eugene, Ellen & Terry Sullivan
 & dec. members of the Sullivan & Yorke
 Families; Eberhard Bauer, Clonanny &
 Germany; Patsy McGurrell, Garryvacuum
 (20th Anniv.);

Sunday 19th January – 10.30am

Lily O'Neill, Rosecourt (M.M.);
 Catherine McGill, Ballycarroll (1st Anniv.);
 Thomas & Margaret Grattan; Jim & Christina
 Byrne & deceased members of the Grattan &
 Kiernan Families

IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

The IBTS will attend at Portarlington Community
 Centre, Link Road on Tues. Next, 14th Jan. From
 4.30-8pm.

ANNIVERSARIES EMO

Saturday 11th January – 7.30pm

Tom, Bridie & Lily Fitzpatrick, Dangans,
 Mountmellick; William Dunne, Morette;
 Mary & Patrick Mulhall, Morette

Sunday 12th January – 11am

Maisie Keegan, Botley Court, Portarlington (MM)

Sunday 19th January – 11am

Danny Brophy, Killeen

ANNIVERSARIES RATH

Sunday 12th January – 9am

Anne Tynan, Jamestown & her Mother
 Anne Delaney, Coole;
 Joe & Julia Connell, Coolroe & grandson
 Joseph; Edward Boland, Courtwood; Brigid
 Boland, Jamestown; Paddy & Mary Flynn,
 Fisherstown & Cork

Sunday 19th January – 9am

Mary Duffy, Ballyadden;
 Moira Donoher, Ballyadden

BAPTISM

We welcome into the Christian Community
 through Baptism



PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Calvin James Flood, Derrymore
 Isabelle Rose Howe, Rathmiles Grove



DAY OF PRAYER

Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Adoration
 Committee invite you to a Day of Prayer. Mass,
 Adoration, Rosary, sharing and music taking
 place in Carlow College on Sat. 15th Jan. 2020
 commencing 10am Refreshments served.
 All welcome.

DECEASED

Prayers are requested for the following
 who died during the week:-



Pat Culleton, Clonaslee (Brother of
 Bernie Flanagan & Monica Byrne)
 John Gorman, Cloneygowan
 Caroline Malone (nee Flynn), Kilbracken,
 Ballybrittas



LECTORS (READERS)

Portarlington

Sat. 18th Jan. 6.15pm Frank Smith
 Sun. 19th Jan. 9am John Prior /
 12.15pm Noel Brennan

Killenard

Sun. 19th 10.30am Vincent Hogan

Emo

Sat. 18th Jan. 7.30pm Niamh Conroy
 Sun. 19th Jan. 11am Grace Hanneff

Rath

Sun. 19th Jan. 9am Marie O'Loughlin

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

18th / 19th Jan. Killenard – Team D
 Ann Allen / Pauline Dalton / Jimmy O'Leary

18th / 19th Jan. Portarlington – Team D
 (See Rota)



Today, Sunday 12th January 2020
 is the Feast of the Baptism of Christ,
 commemorating the baptism of Jesus in
 the Jordan River by John the Baptist.

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES

PILGRIMAGE

2020



The 2020 Pilgrimage will take place from
 the **7th August 2020 for 7 nights**
 Full board Hotel Solitude. For booking &
 further details contact Marie on 087
 7589896 or Vera on 087 9311813, or,
 indeed, any member of the Committee.

PARISH OFFICE

Office opening hours Mon – Fri. 9.30am –
 1.30pm. It is important that ALL notices
 (including Anniversaries) for the Parish
 Newsletter to be in with the Office by
 Wednesday of each week.

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO

Results 6th January 2020

Numbers 6, 9, 11, 16 – No jackpot winner.
€25 to each of the following:-
Angela Keane, Ballymaddock
Helen Whyte C/o Emo Shop
Darragh Wheeler C/o Emo Shop
Daire, Grace & Sean Moore C/o P. Nolan
Stephen Connolly C/o Rath Cards
Next Jackpot Mon. 13th January €5,200.

USED STAMPS



Used stamps needed for the missions. Drop them into Delaney's of Bracklone Street.

LOST

Lost after last Sunday's funeral in St. Michael's Church – Pair of spectacles in a black zip case (left on the seats at back of Church). Contact Maria on 086-1011134 or the Parish Office.

PORTARLINGTON G.R.O.W. GROUP

"GROW Community Mental Health Movement support group meets on Thursdays at 2.30pm in the Social Services Centre, Link Road. If you are lonely, isolated or suffering from stress why not come learn a practical psychology of mental health. Contact Assumpta 086-811 4135. Visit www.grow.ie. Info. line 1890 474 474
GROW Promoting Positive Mental Health.

O'DEMPSEY'S G.A.A.

Lotto Results 06/01/2020

Numbers: 03,10,12,30. No Jackpot winner this week. Match 3 winners were Ann Carroll, Sean/Ciaran/Aidan McManus. Promoter - Richard Slevin. Next weeks Jackpot: €2,000. Thanks for your continued support of our weekly Lotto.

Dinner Dance

O'Dempsey's GFC Dinner Dance will take place on Saturday 15th February in The Heritage Hotel, Killenard. Please save the date! More information to follow in the coming weeks.

CONNECTED HEALTH

Official opening: Laois/Offaly office Mon. 20th Jan. at 2.30pm in Portarlington Community Centre. All very welcome.

Carers needed – Laois: Carers needed in all areas of Laois. Pay €13- €15 per hour. Must have QQI Care of the Elderly & Care Skills completed. Also must be a driver. Work is in your local area. For further info. contact Lorraine on 087-9954567 or email lorraine.weldon@connected-health.ie

RAINBOWS PROGRAMME

Support Programme for Primary School Children



The Rainbow Programme for Primary School children will commence at the beginning of February in the Presentation Primary School, Station Road. The programme consists of 9 sessions, one session weekly. Rainbows is a support programme for children who have experienced death, separation or are struggling through a painful experience. If you are interested in finding out more information, or to have your child or children take part in this programme, contact Ursula on 057-8623007. Application forms are available from the school reception (Presentation Primary School, Station Road) Mon. - Fri. 9am-2.30pm (school hours).

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

MedJugorje Group Pilgrimage 22nd – 29th July 2020. Cost €645. Direct Flight To Mostar reduces journey by three hours. Booking after 1st Feb. 2020 cost €695. Spiritual Director Fr. Sean Hyland. Contact Michael Nerney on 086-8157305 further info. & for booking.

BABY MASSAGE CLASS



Next course starting Monday 20th January and continues for the following three Mondays, 27th January, 3rd February and 10th February from 10am to 11.30am at Yogaland Studio Portarlington. Booking essential. For more details contact: Catriona 086 8890005

PORTARLINGTON & KILLENARD CHARITY BALL

Friday 28th Feb. 2020 at the Heritage Hotel in Killenard. The charity this year will be The Laois / Offaly Palliative Care. Please support these wonderful nurses and the great work they do. To book a ticket / table contact: Marie 087 7589896 / Colette 086 2654277 / Maria 086 3058181 or call to Saoirse Care Shop (beside Babbage's Supermarket), Portarlington.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Computer Training on a **One - To - One** basis from beginners to Advanced users. *All ages catered for.* Choose Email, Internet, Skype, Facebook, Booking Tickets, Holidays ,Shopping, Using iPads, Tablets, I phones, Messenger, Viber, Whatsapp, Memory Sticks, Music, Photos, Word, Excel etc Contact [086-3034540](tel:086-3034540)

WANTED

Old wicker / hamper baskets unwanted. Preferably in good condition. Needed to make spot prizes in aid of Cancer Charity (Fisherstown Tractor Run). Also old biscuit tins / sweet tins for collecting money in. Could you leave into Ballybrittas Service Station.

COUNSELLING SERVICE

Private Counsellor available in the Glenard Clinic, Mountmellick on Mondays. Appointments available. Contact Sean on 087-9117509.

"It's okay not to be okay".

Come and talk – Non judgemental service. Look after your mental health.

COMMUNITY WELLBEING VISION BEING DEVELOPED IN LAOIS

Laois PPN are rolling out a new National Initiative on Community wellbeing. The PPN is bringing together social inclusion, environment & community development voices in our communities to develop a Wellbeing Vision Statement that sets out their shared vision for County Laois. Feed into this important vision for your area by starting a conversation & attending a public meeting on Wed. 11th March in the Midlands Park hotel, Portlaoise commencing 7pm. Further info. or to register your interest in attending, contact Laois PPN on ppn@laoiscoco.ie or phone 057 8665661.

PUBLIC LECTURES

Time for Action - Climate change and our future - Public Lecture taking place at St. Patrick's College, Carlow. Mon. 20th Jan. 1.45pm (Cobden Hall). All are welcome.
International Holocaust Remembrance Day – Nazi Concentration Camps
Dr. Thomas McGrath, Historian will speak on the above topic. Mon. 27th Jan. 1.45pm (Cobden hall). All welcome to attend.

ENROLMENT FOR SCHOOL

YEAR 2020 / 2021

Scoil Náisiúnta Naomh Eoin, Killenard

Available from school reception & to download from our website www.killenardschool.weebly.com from Mon. 6th Jan. 2020. Closing date for application is Friday 31st Jan. 2020 at 5pm.

Presentation Primary School, Station Rd.

Open online until 31st Jan. 2020. Please fill out the online form on homepage of www.presprimary.ie or pick up a pre-enrollment form from the office, this form can also be downloaded from the website. Further info. phone 057-8623007.

Scoil Phádraig, Canal Rd.

Enrolment forms for both Junior Infants & 1st Class will be available from the school reception & to download from school website www.stpatricksbns.ie. Closing date for applications Fri. 31st Jan. Information evening for parents/guardians will take place in February – Date to be confirmed.

St. Paul's N.S., Emo

For application form please ring the office (057-8646868) between 9am & 1pm or e-mail secretary@emons.ie. Closing date for applications Fri. 31st Jan. 2020.

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath

Enrolling during the month of January. Forms available on our website rathns.ie or contact the school on 057-8626270.

REVISION CLASSES 2020

Maths, Irish & Biology Revision classes for Junior & Leaving certificate students will be commencing in the Enterprise Centre on the Canal Road, Portarlington. Book your place by Sun. 12th January. Numbers will then be assessed and schedule put in place. Phone 057-8645405 or email your name, phone no. and the revision classes you're interested in to info@pec.ie

B SHARP STUDIOS

B Sharp Studios, Portarlington Music School. Register anytime. Voice and Music lessons in all instruments for all levels and ages. Free trial in the following: DRUMS, GUITAR, AND PIANO and many more instruments. For more information contact: Conor 086-1639153 Keith 085-7516595.



ROCKING RASCALS

B Sharp Studios new music group for 4 to 8 year olds. Group singing, dance, drama and instrument introduction for children. To gain confidence in a fun active way to the world of music. Booking essential. Limited availability. Hour long sessions.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MOUNT ST ANNE'S, KILLENARD, PORTARLINGTON

Lá Féile Bhríde Celebrating our Celtic Consciousness

Sat. 1st Feb. from 10am-3.30pm. Brigid, champion of peace, justice and hope, invites us to connect with the sacred ordinariness of this world and our daily lives. Through practical and reflective methods, we explore the intuitive and creative aspects of our own spiritual being. Facilitated by Ms. Geraldine Faherty. Cost: €40 (includes materials)

Prayerful Meditation Day

Sat. 7th March 10am-3.30pm. A day designed to offer a space for you to relax, pray, think and feel in our beautiful peaceful surroundings. Booking is essential. Facilitated by Sr. Anne Kearney. Cost: €25
Contact Catherine on 057-8626153
For further details and booking.