



# 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 (Vigil – 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.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington](http://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington)



Portarlington & Emo Parish  
@EmoParish

## SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023

## THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN O.T.

## Year A

### WEEKEND MASSES PORTARLINGTON

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November – 6.15pm**  
Michael & Kathleen Dunne, Cushina & deceased members of the Dunne & Dillon Families; Joan Bourke, St. Brigid's Square (9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Michael & Annie Boylan & deceased members of the Boylan Family, Marian Hill; James, Mary & Esther Kavanagh & deceased members of the Kavanagh Family, Lough Cottage; Rose Carroll, St. Brigid's Square (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Pat Leavy, St. Michael's Park (18<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Peter (P.J.) Dunne, Portlaoise Road; Seamie Ryan, Droughill (21<sup>st</sup> Anniv.); Kevin Lynch, Kilbride (B/Day Rem.)  
Dale Ryan, South Africa; David Finn, Limerick

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November – 12.15pm**  
Maureen Delaney, Bishopswood (M.M.)  
Molly Douglas, Bishopswood; Elizabeth Walsh, Cloneyhurke; Tony Phelan; Rose Carroll, St. Brigid's Square (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Joe Brennan, Kilbride & deceased members of the Brennan Family; Jim, Mai & Seamus Murphy, St. Brigid's Square & U.K.; Joseph & Frances Mullen, St. Michael's Park; Janina Gudiene; Petras Gudas; Regina Joblonskiene; Stase Braciskiene, Lithuania; Margaret & Thomas Mulligan, St. Brigid's Square; John & Ida Maher, Treascon; Daisy Walsh, Station Rd. & Emo (9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
Christina Milner, Ballymorris Road; Charlie Milner, Walsh Island

### ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November - 10.30am**  
Margaret Jones (nee Meehan), Foxcroft Avenue & Tierhogar (M.M.)  
William (Billy) O'Leary, Killenure (7<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
Catherine Tynan, Woodenbridge (8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
Bridget Finane, Emo & Killenard  
Tom & Joan Tynan, Old Pound  
John & Ida Maher, Treascon

### ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON (Weekdays)

Mon. 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. Bill & Edith Lawlor, M/Mellick.

Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. Dec. Members of the Hughes Family, Ballintogher; Dec. members of the Connolly Family, Longford

Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup> Nov. Kevin & Doreen Maguire

Fri. 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. Thomas Harty, Woodlands Park, Canal Road (M.M.)



### ANNIVERSARIES EMO

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November – 7.30pm**  
Josephine Greene, Killimy  
Elizabeth Manus, Vienna

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November – 11am**  
Matthew Moore, Treascon (M.M.)  
Paddy Sheridan, Emo Park (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.)  
Teresa Flynn, Knightstown  
Daisy Walsh, Emo & Station Road (9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

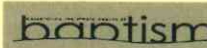
### ANNIVERSARIES RATH

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November - 9am**  
Tom Behan, Courtwood  
Dan Donohoe, Jamestown  
Peter O'Connell, Kylaglush  
Richard Oldfield; Dan Coffey;  
Brigid Fitzgerald, Rath (30<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
Jimmy Mc Loughlin, Jamestown

### DECEASED - R. I. P.

Your prayers are requested for the following who died recently:-  
**Bridget Maguire (nee Mooney),** Mullingar & formerly Kilbride  
**Sean Phelan,** Fisherstown  
**Daniel Mulhall,** Doonbeg, County Clare & formerly Woodenbridge  
**Molly Nolan,** New Jersey, USA & formerly Clonanny  
**Susan Fenlon,** Bracknagh & Holland, whose ashes were interred this weekend  
**Angela Keane,** Link Rd., formerly Station Rd.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Michael's Church, on Tues. 10.30am-7pm



We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism:  
**PORTARLINGTON & EMO PARISHES**  
Charlotte Rose Hickey, Springfield, Killenard  
Éile Sadie Corcoran, Mountmellick

### ENROLMENT CEREMONY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024

This weekend we welcome the children who are enrolling for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in 2024. This is the beginning of their journey towards the Sacrament which will be celebrated in 2024 in April (Emo / Rath) and May (Portarlington / Killenard)

## ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT

### MASS

Remembering our departed relatives and friends.



Those who have died in the parish during the year, and their families, will be remembered at Mass on Fri. 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. in St. Michael's Church, Portarlington & on Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. in St. Paul's Church, Emo at 7.30pm. A family member will be invited to light a candle in their memory.



You are invited to place the names of your loved ones on our Memorial Tree.



A Bereavement Book is available in all the Churches, where you can write the names of family members who have died.



### WE REMEMBER THEM

In the rising of the sun and in its going down.  
*We remember them.*  
In the blowing of the wind and in the Chill of winter.  
*We remember them.*  
In the opening of buds and in the Warmth of summer.  
*We remember them.*  
In the rustling of leaves and the beauty of autumn.  
*We remember them.*  
In the beginning of the year and when it ends.  
*We remember them.*  
When we are weary and in need of strength.  
*We remember them.*  
When we are lost and sick at heart.  
*We remember them.*  
When we have joys we yearn to share.  
*We remember them.*  
So long as we live, they too shall live.  
*We remember them.*



## ST. MICHAEL'S CEMETERY COMMITTEE PORTARLINGTON - THANK YOU



Sincere thanks to all the people of Portarlington & surrounding areas who contributed so generously to the upkeep of the Cemetery. This money goes towards grass-cutting; painting railings & boundary wall; flowers; maintenance / diesel / petrol for lawnmowers & equipment.

### LEAVING CERT STUDENT

Student seeking grinds in pass English, Irish and Maths. Contact 086 8064739 if you can assist. Portarlington area.

### VARIETY SHOW

Hosted by **Portarlington Lions Club**  
Friday next, 17<sup>th</sup> November in Scoil Phadraig Boys School, Canal Road. Entertainment from 8pm – 10pm. Doors open at 7.15pm. Adm: €5 (at the door). Various local artists and guest artists appearing - A great night is guaranteed.  
*Hope to see you all there!*

### EMO ART & CRAFT FAIR

Emo Art and Craft Fair takes place **today, Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. in Emo Community centre from 11.30 am to 5pm.** Beautiful gifts on sale. Something for everyone and all occasions. Raffle on the day in aid of the new Autism Unit in Emo N.S. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

### MUSICAL - COLAISTE IOSAGAIN

**"All Shook Up" November 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> & December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. 7pm Start.**  
Colaiste Iosagain are thrilled to announce their production of **"ALL SHOOK UP"**. This is a Broadway musical inspired by Shakespeare's Twelfth Night & music from Elvis Presley. It promises to be an incredible production with over 100 of our talented students & 50 staff members involved. You can show your support by attending one of the shows. Tickets can be purchased from the school. Phone 057 8623407. Facebook @Colaiste Iosagain Musicals

### CHRISTMAS STREET LIGHTS

We really need your help! With only a couple of weeks left until we erect the Christ Tree in the Square, we have collected €1,500 of our €4,000 target. We need to cover the cost of insurance as well as the Christmas scenes etc. You can support us on our Go Fund Me page or you can donate at the following locations:- Thank you!  
**Brian Whelan Electrical, Main Street**  
**Eddie's Hot Pot, The Square**



### PRAYERFUL MEDITATION DAY

Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. 10am – 2pm.  
Come and enjoy a day of peace, reflection, song and prayer, as we learn from the past, hope for the future and live in the present. It is the perfect opportunity to find rest in Christ.  
Facilitator: Caroline Murray  
Venue: Portlaoise Parish Centre  
Price €20 (Bring packed lunch) Tea / coffee provided. To book, contact Caroline on 087-2673134 or Email [caroline.murray32@gmail.com](mailto:caroline.murray32@gmail.com)

### PORTARLINGTON GAA A.G.M.

The AGM of Portarlington GAA takes place in McCann Park on Thurs. 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. at 7.30pm. All existing & new members are welcome to attend.



Portarlington Credit Union asks all our members to be extra vigilant this time of year. PCU will **never** request you to click on a link in an SMS to update your personal security or PIN / Password details. If you have any concerns please contact our office on 057 86 23336.  
**STOP & THINK & CHECK**

### THEOLOGY ONLINE OPEN EVENING

Theology Online Open Evening, 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. Email [enquiries@prioryinstitute.com](mailto:enquiries@prioryinstitute.com) Opening evening 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. Contact:- <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/2023-priory-institute-online-open-evening>

### CHRISTMAS DONATIONS TO THE HOMELESS

We would welcome donations of new sleeping bags, hats, gloves, white socks, toiletries, crisps & chocolate. If you wish to donate, please leave items into Darren at A.L.E.R.T. (Forklift & Safety Training Company, Botley Lane Industrial Park (Beside Clown Round).  
Phone: 085 7434884

### SECOND BOOK OF WRITINGS OF THE LATE FR. JOHN CUMMINS

Following the great success of the first book, the family of Fr. John Cummins have issued a second publication in his memory. This new book, also name "My Life in Your Hands", contains more sermons of Fr. John's. **This book is now available in the Parish Office priced at €15 each.**

### O'DEMPSEY'S G.F.C. AGM

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. at the Clubhouse. Club members, parents, supporters & potential new members are invited & encouraged to attend. For Nomination & Motion forms, contact our Secretary, Barry Finlay by text on 087-7707511 or email [secretary.odempseys.laois@gaa.ie](mailto:secretary.odempseys.laois@gaa.ie)

### SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

The Catholic Communications Office edits & publishes a five-story weekly ezine Sharing the Good News. The ezine is an accessible news report on the work of bishops' subscribe to this resource by visiting <https://catholicnews.ie/newsletter/>

### NEW LOTTO DRAW LAUNCHED!

#### Scoil Naomh Eoin

First draw takes place on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> with a jackpot of €500 & a great host of spot prizes.  
**Dinner, B&B for 2 at Faithlegg-Sponsored by The Heritage / Dinner for 2 at Blake's Restaurant / Afternoon Tea for 2 at The Heritage / Hamper from Portarlington Pharmacy**  
Vouchers for: Solas / The Thatch / Dowling's Gala / Theory Hair Salon / Society Hair Salon



### How to Join!

Scan the QR code or go to <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/killenardschool/>  
Click "Join"  
**Play:** Pick your 4 numbers  
**Pay:** €2.50 per line or €5 for 3 line  
**WIN!!!!**

**SUPPORT FOR THE PARISH**  
If you wish to make a donation to Portarlington / Emo Parishes, please see bank details below, where you can transfer directly to the Parish Accounts.



### PORTARLINGTON PARISH

B.O.I. Portarlington BOFIE2D  
Portarlington Parish No. 1 Account  
IBAN - IE28 BOFI 9018 6154 5717 14  
Portarlington Parish Clergy Fund A/C  
IBAN: IE59 BOFI 9018 6196 5850 57

### EMO PARISH

B.O.I., Mountmellick BOFIE2D  
Emo Church No. 1 Account  
IBAN - IE16 BOFI 9018 1051 4302 54  
Emo Parish Clergy Fund Account  
IBAN: IE34 BOFI 9018 1022 2378 77

### EMO - RATH PARISH LOTTO

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2023 – Week No. 1214  
Numbers 3, 7, 12, 18 – No Jackpot winner €25 to each of the following:-  
Steve McEvoy C/o Colette; Pat Langford C/o Deirdre; Aoibin Stone C/o Maeve; Barbara Dunne C/o Ber; Johnny O'Connor C/o Deirdre. Next draw takes place on 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. with a JACKPOT of €4,800



### GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO

6<sup>th</sup> Nov. – Week No. 45  
Numbers 18, 3, 27, 22 – No Jackpot winner. €50 to each of the following: Stephen Hudson; Ann Dunne; Janet Nealon; Chelsea Murphy; Stephen Flanagan. Promoter prize: Burbages.  
Next week's Jackpot €8,800

### ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB, CLONEYHURKE - R32 CY89

**Social Dancing**  
Next Social Dance on Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> Nov.  
Music by Lawrence Campion.  
Doors open 9pm. Adm. €10.  
**Christmas Cooking Demonstration**  
Thurs. 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. starting 7pm. Entry fee €5.

### Dancing Lessons

Monday nights with Dolores from 7.45-9.15pm. €8 each night.

### Keep Fit Classes

Wednesday nights 7pm. Adm: €5  
**Fitness & Wellbeing Program**  
6 weeks commencing on Fri. 10<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 7pm. Under the guidance of Eimer Mathews. Sponsored by Offaly Sports Partnership. Adm. FREE

### PORTARLINGTON WOMEN'S SHED

The Women's Shed are holding a **Christmas Market on Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> December** from 11am to 3pm. To book a table, E-mail [portarlingtonwomensshed@gmail.com](mailto:portarlingtonwomensshed@gmail.com) or phone 087 4748068. A visit to Santa on the day also. Proceeds from refreshments in aid of the Cuisle Centre, Laois.

### TOTUS TUUS SCRIPTURE CONFERENCE

**2023 IS LIVE ON RADIO MARIA IRELAND**  
Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. from 2pm. Speakers include Fr. John Ryan (Cloyne Diocese), Fr. Luke Demasi (Home of the Mother), Frances Hogan (Scripture Scholar). Radio Maria Ireland can be listened to by downloading the Radio Maria Ireland APP, Saorview Channel 210 or listen live at (01)4373277