



PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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Anniversary Masses, Baptisms and Weddings can be booked by contacting the Parish Office during opening hours.

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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 14th January 2018 ✕ **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** ✕ **Year B**

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 15th Jan. 10am Mary McEvoy,
St. Patrick's Terrace

Tues. 16th Jan. 10am ---

Wed. 17th Jan. 10am ---

Thurs. 18th Jan. 10am ---

Fri. 19th Jan. 10am John & Kathleen Wright,
Droughill

Saturday 13th January – 6.15pm

Jim Fahey, Arlington Est. (M.M.)
Michelle Moran, Ohio & Dublin (M.M.)
(Sister-in-Law to Lynn McNally); Tom Carey,
St. Brigid's Square (1st Anniv.); Brendan
Sharpe (1st Anniv.); Maurice Kelly, St.
Michael's Park (7th Anniv.); Joseph Sweeney,
Ann Sweeney, Thomas Sweeney & Declan
Sweeney, Marian Hill; Joseph Murphy,
Gracefield;

Sunday 14th January – 12.15pm

Maureen McEvoy, Avondale; Molly Coughlan,
Kilmalogue; John & Bridget O'Donnell; Kevin
Coogan, Station Rd; Tony Harris, The Square;
Mary Nicholls, Sandy Lane & Kilrush; Michael
& Mary Dunne & their daughter Kathleen
Peter Weir, Seskin (10th Anniv.)
Matt & Jane Weir, Christy Weir

Saturday 20th January – 6.15pm

Patrick Bracken, St. Brigid's Sq. (2nd Anniv.);
Elizabeth Dempsey, Monasterevin & St. Mary's
Tce. (2nd Anniv.); Frances Ellard (8th Anniv.);
John Mitchell, NaCluainte; Shirley Hoey, Botley
Court; William & Brigid Hoey, St. Mary's Tce;
Michael Murphy Jnr. Annamoe; Michael &
Esther Murphy, Annamoe; Ann Ryan,
Ballymorris Road; Josephine (Josie) Lynch,
Kilbride, Brian Higgins, Patrick St.

Sunday 21st January – 12.15pm

John Lynch, Kilbride (M.M.)
Eileen Nolan, Congress Terrace (M.M.)
Pauline Hooks, Patrick St. (4th Anniv.)
Joseph & Ellen Bracken, Cloneygowan & sons
Milo & JJ Bracken; Son-in-Law Joe Dunne

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 14th January – 10.30am

J.J. Bannon, Lea; Eberhard Bauer, Clonanny;
Eugene, Ellen & Terry Sullivan & deceased
members of the Sullivan Family
Thomas & Margaret Gratten;
Jim & Christina Byrne; Deceased members
of the Grattan & Kiernan Families

KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2018

K & L Diocesan Pilgrimage leaving 16th July
2018 for 5 nights. The pilgrimage will be led by
Bishop Denis Nulty. €739 per person sharing.

If interested contact Joe Walsh Tours on
01 2410802 or email info@jowalshstours.ie

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 13th January – 7.30pm

Jim McEvoy, Coolaghy (M.M.)
Bridget Fitzpatrick, Dangans; William Dunne,
Morette; Mary & Patrick Mulhall, Morette

Sunday 14th January – 1.1am

Dan Brophy, Killeen, Ger O'Connor, Rosmore,
Vicarstown, (Birthday remembrance)

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 14th January – 9am

Anne Tynan, "Copperbeech", Jamestown & her
mother, Anne Delaney, Coole, Monasterevin
Edward (Ned) Boland, Courtwood, formerly
Jamestown (3rd Anniv.); Michael,
John & Pat McEvoy, Courtwood
Johnny Murphy, Courtwood

Sunday 21st January – 9am

Tom Ryan, Bellgrove (1st Anniv.)
Mary Duffy, Ballyadden;
Moirá Donohoe, Ballyadden, Joe & Julia
Connell and their Grandson Joseph

BAPTISMS

**We welcome into the Christian Community
through Baptism:-**

PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Elena McDonough, Rathmiles
Carleigh Bridget Foley-Kavanagh, Assumpta Terrace
Charlotte Marie Bardsley, Avondale
Elizabeth Grace Howe, Rathmiles Grove

EMO PARISH

Cain Daniel McCormack, Kilbride

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

14th January, 2018

We celebrate the 104th World Day of Migrants
& Refugees today. As we do so, it is important
that we come together to pray & remember our
migrant & refugee brothers & sisters living in
our dioceses, our parishes & especially those in
direct provision centres in our country. Pope
Francis, in his message for World Day of
Migrants & Refugees 2018, says that providing
aid to migrants & refugees is a 'great
responsibility, which the Church intends to
share with all believers & men & women of
good will, who are called to respond to the
many challenges of contemporary migration
with generosity, promptness, wisdom &
foresight, each according to their own abilities'.
The Holy Father reminds us that 'welcoming,
protecting, promoting & integrating migrants &
refugees' are essential to the Christian faith.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Medjugorje Pilgrimage 3rd to 10th Oct. €689
per person sharing. There is a discount of €50
if booked by 1st Feb. Seven nights pilgrimage
package inclusive, departing Dublin to
Dubrovnik. Contact Michael Nerney on
086-8157305

LECTORS

20th / 21st January 2018

PORTARLINGTON: 6.15pm Sarah Dunne/
9am John Prior / 12.15pm Anne Dunne

KILLENARD: 10.30am Marie McMahon

EMO: 7.30pm Niamh Conroy / 11am Grace
Hanneff

RATH: 9am Sinead Boland

EUCHRISTIC MINISTERS

20th / 21st January 2018

Portarlington: Team C / Killenard: Team B

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT

Adoration is held every Tuesday in St.
Michael's Church after 10am Mass until 7pm.

ADORATION GROUP - Portarlington & Emo

As part of the Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration
Committee you are invited to a Prayer Day on
Sat. 27th Jan. in the Parish Centre, Portlaoise
commencing 10am. It will include Mass, a
guided Holy Hour of Adoration, Hymns,
prayers, a cuppa & time for a chat. This Prayer
Day is organised to support and to thank the
Adoration centres. If you wish to attend, phone
Margaret on 086-3149610.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



18th – 25th January 2018

*"Theme – Your right hand, O Lord, glorious
in power (cf Ex 15:6)"*

COMMUNION CALLS



The sick and housebound will be attended
during the week as follows:

Tuesday 16th January, 2018

Crowe Lane, Orchard Drive, Whitefields,
Station Rd; St. Brigid's Sq., Bracklone St.,
Corrig, St. Michael's Pk., Portlaoise Road,
Kilbride, Lea Rd., Ballycarroll, Canal Court

Wednesday 17th January, 2018

Ballybrittas, Bellgrove, Coolroe, Rath, Courtwood,
Fisherstown, Kilbracken, Cappakeel, Morette,
Emo, Portlaoise Road, Coolbanagher,
Knightstown, Killeen, Tinakill, Coolaghy

Thursday 18th January, 2018

Kilmalogue Garden, Church View, Patrick
Street, Assumpta Tce., St. Mary's Tce; St.
Joseph's Tce., Gracefield, Avondale, Bog Rd.,
Kilkeeran, Garryhinch, Sweep Road, The
Square, Clondoolusk, Cushina,
Bishopswood, Marian Hill

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The 2018 Pilgrimage will take place from the **8th to the 15th August 2018**
7 nights full board Hotel Solitude. Price €799 per person sharing. For booking contact Marie on 087 7589896 or Vera on 087 9311813, or, indeed, any member of the Committee.

THE POOR CLARES - GALWAY

The Poor Clares are hosting a Cloister day on Sat. 27th Jan. from 10am – 5pm. The day is designed to help young women between the ages of 21 & 40 to find out more about the Poor Clare way of life with a view to vocation discernment. Contact Sr. Faustina poorclaresgalwayvocations@gmail.com

INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

St. Patrick's College, Carlow is running an Introduction to Psychology Evening Course from 1st Feb. – 8th March every Thurs. from 7-9pm. Further info. contact: Alison Brennan, E:AHayden@CarlowCollege.ie, T: 059 91 53200, or see www.CarlowCollege.ie.

PORTARLINGTON GROW GROUP

"GROW Community Mental Health Movement support group meets every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Jobs Club, Oriel House, Upper Main Street, Portarlinton. If you are lonely, isolate or suffering from stress why not come learn a practical psychology of mental health. Contact John 0868033 126. Visit www.grow.ie. GROW Promoting Positive Mental Health"

PARENTS FIRST - Volunteers needed!

Would you be interested in volunteering with Parents First for 1-2 hours each week? We are looking for parents or grandparents to pass on their valuable knowledge and experience in bringing up children. Phone Dolores or Mary at 057 9322996 / 086 1959221.

SAMARITANS

Samaritans support lines are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, offering non-judgmental and confidential support whenever you need us. Free-phone 116123, Text 087 2609090 or Email jo@samaritans.org

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB LOTTO

Draw was held on 9th January – Letters M, B, V, U – No winner. €25 each to Ian Dillon & Alan Dunne. Sellers prize D. Devereaux. Next draw will take place in the Barrow Lodge on 23rd January. JACKPOT €8,300

PORTARLINGTON G.A.A.

The AGM took place on Fri. 5th Jan. with the following officers being elected for 2018:-
Chairman - David Murphy Snr.

Vice Chair- Pdraig Maher / Secretary - Dave Clarke / Asst. Sec. - Michael Lawlor / Treasurer - Aine Murphy / Asst. Treasurer - Grainne McCann / PRO - Darren Bracken County Board Delegate-Niall Slevin

Registrar - Pdraig Coffey Jnr. / Cultural Officer - Pat Galvin / Player Rep. - Cathal Ryan Games Dev. Chair – Joe O'Dwyer Social Committee Chair - Pat Sweeney
Bingo: Every Tues. at 8.30pm with €2,000 in prize money.

Combined Social Lotto: Tickets on sale every week with the Jackpot up to €12,000. Tickets available from The Pint-O-Port, Burbages, Spar, Station Rd. / Luttrell or any Committee Member

All County Draw Tickets: Now available with 4 monthly draws. Prize money of €100,000. Tickets €130 (can be paid in installments), available from any Committee Member.

BABY MASSAGE CLASSES

Next course starting Monday 22nd January from 10am-11.30am for 4 weeks at Yogaland Studio, Portarlinton. Booking essential. For more details contact: Catriona 086-8890005.

NEW YEARS RESOLUTION

Why not join the Choir?

We are in St. Michael's Church at the 9am Mass every Sunday. All very welcome to come along and join in.

EMO / RATH PARISH LOTTO

8.1.2017

Numbers 1, 3, 7, 12 – No winner.

€25 to each of the following:-

Hilary Lawlor C/o Hilary; James Duffy C/o Francis Duffy; Maeve Ryan C/o Maeve; Shane & Micheál Ryan C/o R.R.; Martin Crowley C/o Hilary

Next jackpot €12,000

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018



Registration Notice: Registration for all WMOF2018 events is open via

www.worldmeeting2018.ie Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main three-day WMOF2018 Congress from August 22nd – 24th, guaranteeing your ticket(s) for the Festival of Families on Sat. 25th August and for the Closing Mass on Sun. 26th August. Don't miss out on these once in a generation events. REGISTER NOW! www.worldmeeting2018.ie

Volunteering for WMOF2018:

The World Meeting of Families 2018 will attract thousands of Irish and International pilgrims. Organising it and seeing it through will only be possible with the help of thousands of volunteers. Why not make volunteering for WMOF2018 a New Year's resolution for 2018? You can sign up on www.worldmeeting2018.ie / email volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie or phone (01) 5676800.

ELOCUTION, SPEECH & DRAMA CLASSES



We offer a unique and fun way to learn the art of communication. End of Year performance, Dunamais Theatre, Sunday March 25th, 2018. Students help each other to grow and develop, encourage each other in confidence building and self-expression. Classes will be held in the Community Hall, Rath after school on Tuesdays. Classes will be held on Wednesdays in the Leisure Centre, Portarlinton at 4pm & 5pm To register and for information on fees contact Anita 0862478052 or email ceiltissd@hotmail.com

O'DEMPSEY'S G.A.A.

Lotto Results 08/01/2018

Numbers were: 05, 11, 17, 23. No Jackpot winner. Match 3 winners were: Pauric & Liam Duffy, Eva Finlay, Darran Finlay, Peter Shortall, Ewan Behan. Promoter - Jackie McCormack. Next week's Jackpot: €4200.

TULLAMORE PHOENIX

MARKET

Tullamore Phoenix Market supporting local charities is open every Saturday from 10am - 3pm. Located in Kilcrudden close to Tullamore Court Hotel and beside Food Market. Bargains Galore! Any queries please call Mary at 087-9050910.

KILLENARD VILLAGE

With regard to the development of a sustainable Community Development Plan for Killenard, a Public Workshop / Meeting will be held in the Community Centre on Wed. 24th January at 8pm. All are welcome.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE PORTARLINGTON

In order to hold a St. Patrick's Day Parade this year, we urgently need volunteers to help organise and run the parade. If you can spare approximately 9 hours between now and the 17th March, please come along to a meeting, which will be held on Wednesday next, 17th January, in Portarlinton Community Centre commencing at 8pm. Without your help volunteering, the parade can't take place. Please come along and save our Parade!



PORTARLINGTON & KILLENARD

CHARITY BALL

This fabulous night of the year is fast approaching – The glitz and glamour night is on the 23rd February 2018 in the Heritage Hotel, Killenard.

Proceeds are in aid of Portarlinton Senior Citizens. To book your ticket or a table of friends, please contact: Marie 087-7589896 / Colette 086-2654277 / Maria 086-3058181. A great night is guaranteed!



ENROLMENT TO SCHOOLS

Scoil Naomh Eoin - Killenard

Enrolment forms available from the School Reception from Mon. 8th Jan. Closing date for enrolment is Fri. 26th Jan. at 5pm.

Presentation Primary School – Station Road

Collect a form to request an enrolment available from the Junior School Office from the 8th January – 31st January 9am – 1pm.

St. Paul's National School – Emo

Now accepting enrolments for the 2018 – 2019 school year. If you require an application form, please phone the office on 057-8646868 between 9am and 1pm or E-mail secretary@emons.ie. Closing date for applications is Friday 26th January.

EMO PARISH

ENVELOPES

The envelope boxes are being distributed at the moment. Boxes also available at the Church porches. The boxes contain weekly collection envelopes & special collection envelopes.

This contribution goes towards the upkeep of schools, churches & parish buildings. Thank all who contributed during the past year.

PUBLIC MEETING

Laos Public Participation Network warmly invites you to attend a public meeting and discussion about the following Laois County Council Social and Cultural Strategies. The Creative Ireland Laois Plan 2018-2022, The Arts Strategy 2018-2022, The Recreation, Play and Sports Strategy 2018-2022, The Library Development Strategy 2018-2022 in The Killeshin Hotel, Dublin Road, Portlaoise on Wednesday 17th January, 2018 at 7pm. Please arrive at 6.45pm for registration, meeting will commence at 7pm. Refreshments will be served.

KILBRIDE ART GROUP

Catering for Students / Adults



Art classes recommence as follows:
Mon. 22nd January from 10am–12 noon
Tues. 23rd January from 10am–12 noon
Wed. 24th January from 10am–12 noon
A course of 12 Art Classes will take place commencing in January 2017. We cater for beginners & advanced students, using all mediums. Also available are sketching & drawing classes. Phone Una on 086-2392997.