



PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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PARISH OFFICE

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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

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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



Portarlington & Emo Parish
@EmoParish

SUNDAY 14TH MAY, 2023

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR A

WEEKEND MASSES - PORTARLINGTON

Saturday 13th May – 6.15pm

Ena Geoghegan, Crowe Lane; William & Kathleen Murphy, Main St; P. Beacon, Clannmalire; Michael Connolly, Marian Hill; Shirley Connelly, Botley Court (B/Day Rem.); Pat McCann, St. Brigid's Sq; Bernie O'Leary, Clonanny; Patrick & Una Mitchell & dec. members of the Dillon Family; Mairead & John Corbett, Foxcroft St; Magella Hyland (nee Milner) B/d Rem., The Borne; Dec. members of the O'Reilly Family, Marian Hill

Sunday 14th May – 12.15pm

John Kilduff, Kingswood, Tallagh (M.M.) Gus Hynes, Cushina (6th Anniv.) Claire Barry & Pat Hart, Sligo; John Harney (30th Anniv.) & Lily Harney (3rd Anniv.), Cushina; John & Elizabeth Cleary, Cushina; William & Margaret Smith & dec. members of the Smith & Enright Families; Agnes Powell (nee Smith), Seskin; Patrick & Una Mitchell & Dec. members of the Dillon Family

10AM MASS – ANNIV. PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 15th May

Tues. 16th May

Jim Murphy

Wed. 17th May

Thomas Murphy

Thurs. 18th May

Chris Doyle, Clannmalire Crescent

Fri. 19th May

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 14th May - 10.30a m

Thomas & Margaret Mullen, Corrig Syl & Elizabeth Mullen, Tierhogar Dec. members of the Mullen Family Jim & Mary Kennedy, Stradbally Richard, Kathleen & Patrick Terrett, Tierhogar

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 13th May – 7.30pm

Thomas Walsh, Knightstown (2nd Anniv.); Francis Langford, Morette (4th Anniv.); Tom Fitzpatrick, (20th Anniv.) & Bridie Fitzpatrick, Dangans & Lily Fitzpatrick; Michael Kelly, Emo

Sunday 14th May – 11am

Johnny Keegan & dec. members of the Keegan Family, Morette

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 14th May - 9am

DECEASED - R. I. P.



Your prayers are requested for the following who died recently:-

Josie Lynam, "La Bergerie", Crowe Lane & Tullamore

Paddy Lee, Mountmellick (Brother of Mary Maher, Ballymorris)

George Donohoe, Monasterevin (Father of Sheila Brereton)

John Joe Brereton, Bracknagh (Brother of Brian Brereton)

CEMETERY MASSES 2023



Killenard – Fri. 7th July – 7.30pm
Portarlington – Fri. 14th July – 7.30pm
Emo New Cemetery – Fri. 28th July – 7.30pm
Emo Old Cemetery – Sat. 12th Aug. – 7.30pm

PENTECOST NOVENA

Pentecost Novena takes place from 19th – 27th May. This novena will be broadcast daily on Radio Maria www.radiomaria.ie at 9.30am & Shalom World Prayer www.swprayer.org at 6.30pm.



MAY - MONTH OF THE ROSARY



The Month of May, dedicated to Mary, is a fitting time to begin to recite the Rosary daily..... Pope Francis



We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism:

Emo Parish

Luke Brian Dooley, Ballycullane

RETIRED PRIESTS COLLECTION

Annual Diocesan Collection for the retired priests takes place weekend of 27th / 28th May. Envelope available in your development boxes or at the Church porch.



Congratulations to the children from
Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard

who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend (Sat. 13th May) in St. John's Church, Killenard.



The children from Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road, Portarlington, will receive their First Holy Communion next Saturday, 20th May at 11.30am in St. Michael's Church, Portarlington.

The children from Sacred Heart N.S., Rath will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday 27th May 2023 at 11.30am

CLONEYHURKE NATIONAL SCHOOL

Children for First Holy Communion & for Confirmation will receive the Sacraments on Sat. 27th May at 11.30am in St. Michael's Church, Portarlington.

ROSARY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

The Rosary will be prayed every day for the month of May in St. John's Church, Killenard. Time 4pm. All very welcome.

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Sun. 14th May – St. Matthias
Mon. 15th May – St. Carthage
Tues. 16th May – St. Brendan
Fri. 19th May – St. Christopher Megellanes
Sat. 20th May – St. Bernadine

CHOIR - NEW MEMBERS WELCOME



New members always welcome to join the St. Michael's Church Parish Choir. Come along any Sunday to the 9am Mass. *Learn by doing – Singers live longer!*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Michael's Church, Portarlington on Tuesday's 10.30am–7pm. All welcome.

Portarlington & Emo Parish

PORTARLINGTON CONCERT BAND SUMMER CONCERT



Portarlington Concert Band are hosting a **SUMMER CONCERT** on Thursday 18th May commencing 7.30pm in Scoil Padraig, Canal Road. The concert will feature:

Beginner Band / Beginner Adult Band / Junior Band / Senior Band / Drum Corps A / Drum Corps B. Subscription €10.

Tickets available from band members or at the door on the night. Come along for a wonderful night's entertainment.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - GOLF DAY

Takes place at Portarlington Golf Club on Thurs. 25th May. 4 person scramble. Time-sheet available in the Golf Club.

EXAM MASS - KNOCK SHRINE

Knock Shrine: For all students preparing for exams and their families. Take some time out from your studies for a quiet moment to ask for God's strength and guidance as you move through your exam period. Bring your pencil case to have it blessed. June 5th, 7.30pm, Knock Basilica, Co. Mayo.



You are invited to our **Laudato Si Day** on Tuesday 30th May, taking place in "An Gairdin Beo", beside St. Leo's Convent, Carlow from 11am to 4pm. It will be facilitated by Jane Mellett (Trocaire) and includes lunch. Booking is essential with a suggested offering of €20 per person on the day. Please book with Aisling in Bishop's House 059-9176725 or aisling@kandle.ie before Tuesday 23rd May. Group or individual bookings welcome.

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB

Lotto 8th May, 2023

Numbers 1, 20, 14, 3 – No Jackpot winner. €50 to each of the following:- Karen Hyland; David Murphy; Michelle Hyland; Brian Guinan; Charlotte Brereton. Promoters prize: Barry Murphy. Next week's Jackpot €3600

CÚL CAMPS

Cúl Camps are back at O'Dempsey's from the 31st July to 4th August. Places must be booked online at - www.kellogsculcamps.gaa.ie

PREGNANCY WELLNESS / BABY MASSAGE

Pregnancy Wellness: Sun. 28th May between 10.30am – 2pm - Venue: Solas Eco Garden Centre. Includes breath work technique, gentle yoga flow & guided pregnancy relaxation. **Baby Massage:** Commencing Mon. 29th May in Portarlington Community at 12pm. Booking is essential for above. You can phone Catriona on 086-8890005.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS (Missions)

If you have any used postage stamps, they can be left into the following:-

"The Nook Shop", Patrick Street
Angela in Portarlington Pharmacy
Delaney's of Bracklone Street

INTERNATIONAL BEE DAY - 20TH MAY



Learn all about Irish Bees and Bee-Keeping with the Dunamais Bee Keepers. Create your own Bee-Friendly planter. Free Bee crafts for children & free face-painting on the day. Venue: Solas Eco Garden Shop, Lea Road.

Upcoming events at

MOUNT ST. ANNE'S, KILLENARD

Prayerful Meditation Day

On Sat. 27th May from 10am to 3.30pm. A day to reflect, renew and recharge – To meditate, pray and be nourished using Scripture. Facilitated by Sr. Anne Kearney hfb. Cost €25 (please bring packed lunch) Tea/Coffee provided.

We also have a number of **6-Day Retreats** available throughout the Summer & Autumn months. For bookings and enquiries, please phone 057 8626153 or Email secretary@mountstannes.com

EMO / RATH PARISH

LOTTO

The draw took place on Mon. 8th May – Numbers 5, 10, 13, 14 – No jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following: Caroline Kirwan C/o Bernie Gorman; David Gorman C/o Bernie Gorman; Pat Finn C/o Emo Shop; Roisin Kirwan C/o Deirdre; Tom Fennelly C/o Bernie Gorman. Next draw will be held on Mon. 15th May with a **Jackpot of €10,600** Tickets are available in Emo Shop, the Village Cafe, Ballybrittas & the Parish Office €2 each.

ABORTION

Changing the Narrative
A Statement of the Catholic Bishops



The Bishops of Ireland have issued a statement which takes into account the recent review by Government of the abortion legislation introduced following the referendum. Copies of this statement are available at the Church Porch for you to take with you. In it the bishops reaffirm the deep conviction of our faith, namely, that the dignity of every human life, from conception to natural death, is a value for the whole of society, rooted in reason as well as in faith. No matter what legislation is passed, the fundamental right to life for all human beings at every stage of development still prevails. In the meantime, the Church will continue to seek loving and supportive protection for every mother and for every child in the womb, including babies diagnosed with a disability or a life-limiting condition. The bishops will continue to do their best to change the narrative through dialogue and by testifying, in season and out of season, to the Gospel of Life. How can People of Faith help? Bring home & read the full statement or you can view it & further details on www.catholicbishops.ie

Sign-up for the...

"PRAY FOR LIFE" Novena

Join people across Ireland and the UK in the annual online 'Pray for Life' Novena, which begins on the 23rd May and concludes on the 31st May, the Feast of the Visitation. Please register for the Novena on www.prayforlife.ie

ALL IRELAND POLLINATOR PLAN

Reduce mowing to allow native wildflowers like Dandelions, Clover and Birds-foot Trefoil to naturally return over time. Why? This action helps to restore species-rich grasslands: A vital habitat providing food & shelter for pollinators. Where? Everywhere! Roadside verges, lawns, schools, parks, field margins, farm lanes. Take part in #NoMowMay and leave your lawnmower in the shed for May. www.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB.

CLONEYHURKE

Social Dance will take place on Sat. 20th May in the Community Hall. Music by **SOLITAIRE**. Dancing 9pm – 12 midnight. Refreshments served. Admission €10.

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

PORTARLINGTON RUGBY YOUTH

Metal Collection Fundraiser

Fundraising has commenced for the Youth's Rugby tour coming up in November, with a **METAL COLLECTION DAY**. Sat. 20th May 11am – 3pm – Drop off point Solas Eco Centre R32PRX8. Drop off preferred. Larger/ heavier items can be arranged for collection by phoning 086 3475357. Items needed:- Iron, cast iron, washing machines, tumble dryers, cookers, metal sinks, metal baths, taps, radiators, lawn mowers, alloy wheels, hot water tanks, copper, electrical cable.

PADRE PIO'S GLOVE



St. Pio's Glove will be in Fitzpatrick's House, Kiberry, Athy, Co. Kildare on Saturday 3rd June, 2023 from 11am to 5pm. Items of St. Pio will be available on the day. For information call Ann on 085 1696189. Everyone welcome.

THE TOURIST GLAZE

A look at Irish souvenir china

A talk for the Laois Heritage Society, with many interesting, colour photographs, will take place at Portarlington Library on Thursday 18th May commencing 8pm. Speaker on the night: John Stocks-Powell. All very welcome to attend.

SUMMER CAMP 2023

Portarlington Community Centre 10am to 2pm – 8th – 11th August for children aged 4-12 years. Arts / crafts / games / dance / song / mindfulness / meditation and various other activities. €100 per child / Sibling discount available. Phone, text or WhatsApp Lauren on 085-8340436

IRISH DANCING SCHOOL (SRLT)

Now enrolling. Portarlington Community Centre every Tuesday & Saturday. Contact Trina on 085 1746790 or Anita on 085 1506286 for full details and booking.

PORT BIKE'IVITY DAY

Port Bike'ivity Day 11.30am Sat. 20th May. All are welcome. Fun, family-friendly day of cycle events (5km Cycle, Bike Camp & Swim) as part of Bike Week. Start / Finish at Portarlington Leisure Centre. Book FREE tickets on Eventbrite. For queries - portarlingtonsec@gmail.com

