



PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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PARISH OFFICE

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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



15th January, 2017 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A World Day of Migrants and Refugees

ANNIVERSARIES – PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 16th Jan. 10am Mary McEvoy, St. Patrick's Tce.
Tues. 17th 10am Shirley Hoey, Botley Court
Wed. 18th 10am John McGettrick, Patrick's Ave, (25th Anniv.)
Thurs. 19th 10am John & Kathleen Wright, Droughill
Fri. 20th Jan. 10am Dead List
Saturday 14th January – 6.15pm
Michael (Mick) Murphy, Annamoe (1st Anniv.); Tony Mc Gonigle, Rosecourt, (1st Anniv.)
Kathleen Dunne, Bracklone St. & Manchester (1st Anniv.); Philomena Reddin (nee Kennedy), Gracefield & Mountmellick; Joe & Ann Sweeney, 18 Marian Hill, Son Thomas & Grandson Declan Sweeney; Maurice Kelly, St. Michael's Park (6th Anniv.); Joseph Murphy, Gracefield
Sunday 15th January – 12.15pm
Clare O'Byrne, Station Road (M.M.)
Maureen McEvoy, Avondale; Molly Coughlan, Kilmalogue; Pauline Hooks, Patrick St. (3rd Anniv.); Tony Harris, The Square; Kevin Coogan, Station Road; John & Bridget O'Donnell; John & Dinah McCague, Station Road; Mary Nicholls, Kilrush & Sandy Lane
Saturday 21st January – 6.15pm
Patrick Bracken, St. Brigid's Sq. (1st Anniv.); Elizabeth Dempsey, Monasterevin & St. Mary's Tce. (1st Anniv.) Seamus Dowling (2nd Anniv.); Frances Ellard, Clanmalire (7th Anniv.); Ann Ryan, Ballymorris; John Mitchell, NaCluainte; Josie Lynch, Ballymorris; Julia & Matt Colgan, Annamoe; Johnie & Mai Lalor, Cloneyhurke; Brian Higgins, Patrick Street
Sunday 22nd January – 12.15pm
Veronica Mooney, Whitefields (1st Anniv.); Michael Dolan, St. Brigid's Sq. (3rd Anniv.); Michael Webster, French Church St. (4th Anniv.); Brian Conroy, Avondale; Joseph & Ellen Bracken, Cloneygowan, Sons, JJ & Milo Bracken & Son-in-law Joe Dunne

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 15th January – 10.30am

J.J. Bannon, Lea; Ehard Bauer, Germany; Eugene, Ellen & Terry Sullivan

Sunday 22nd January – 10.30am

Gerard Conroy, Windmill, Killenard (M.M.)
Mark & Margaret Fitzpatrick, Tierhogar

IRISH GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Many thanks to all who contributed to the recent Church Gate Collection. Amount raised €840. Sincere thanks to all the collectors.



ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Sat. 14th January – 7.30pm

William Dunne, Morette

Sun. 15th January - 11am

Dan Brophy, Killeen

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 15th January – 9am

Edward (Ned) Boland, Courtwood & formerly Jamestown (2nd Anniv.)

Joe & Julia Connell & grandson, Joseph Elizabeth & Patrick Lacey, Bellgrove; John Murphy, Courtwood & deceased members of the McEvoy Family, Courtwood

Sunday 22nd January – 9am

Mary Duffy, Ballyadden
Moira Donohoe, Ballyadden

DECEASED

Your prayers are requested for the following who died recently:-
Kevin McNelis, Victoria, Australia & formerly Market Square, Portarlington
Tom Carey, Oakdale & St. Brigid's Square
Ronald (Ronnie) Mathews, Station Road
Anne Tynan, "Copper Beech", Jamestown & Monasterevin
Brendan Sharpe, Kilmalogue Garden & St. Michael's Park

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:

PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Noah John Earley, Bracklone St.
Joshua Patrick Nicholl, Clanmalire Close

PRAYER

FOR THE UNACCOMPANIED MIGRANT CHILDREN

*Mary, you travelled alone to reach the loving embrace of your beloved family member.
Elizabeth welcomed you with open arms and an open heart.*

*Be with those children who are travelling across borders to seek solace with family.
Protect them from exploitation and from traumatizing experiences.
Teach us by the example of the Visitation.
Grant us open arms and open hearts to receive your children trying to find the way to a new, life-giving home.*

*Mary, Mother of the human family, help us end the misery of children separated from family by man-made borders but not by love.
May they arrive, as you did, to joy and to the benediction of a loving embrace.
Amen.*

LECTORS – NEXT WEEKEND

Portarlington

Sat. 21st Jan. 6.15pm S. Dunne /
Sun. 22nd Jan. 9am J. Prior /
12.15pm K. Dunne

Killenard

Sun. 22nd Jan. 10.30am G. Wrafter

Emo

Sat. 21st Jan. 7.30pm F. Kerry
Sun. 22nd Jan. 11am A. Deering

Rath

Sun. 22nd Jan. 9am A. Doyle

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEXT WEEKEND

TEAM B

Sat. 21st Jan. 6.15pm S. Knight / S. Kiernan / P. Dempsey / M. Finlay / H. McGinn
Sun. 22nd Jan. 9am H. Tinkler-Dunne / A. Hennessy / J. Murphy
Sun. 22nd Jan. 12.15pm M. Smith C. Garry / E. Mitchell / J. Dempsey / L. Cooper

Killenard TEAM A

Sun. 22nd Jan. 10.30am S. Dunne / J. Carey / G. Rafter

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

In this year's message Pope Francis called for greater protection and integration of immigrants and refugees who are minors, especially those who are unaccompanied. **"Minors are especially fragile, vulnerable and often invisible and voiceless – Unable to claim or unaware of their rights and needs"**

Pope Francis

We are asked to join with Pope Francis in drawing attention to the refugee crisis, in particular the plight of the minor migrants.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



18th – 25th January 2017

"Reconciliation – The Love of Christ compels us" (Corinthians 5:14-20)

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2017



29th January – 3rd February 2017

Theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is:- **"Catholic Schools; Learning with Pope Francis to care for our common home"**

ENROLMENT TO SCHOOLS

St. Paul's N.S., Emo: Applications forms for year 2017 now available from the school office. Closing date for application Fri. 27th Jan. 2017.

St. John's N.S. Killenard: Enrolment forms available from school reception from Mon. 9th Jan. Closing date on Fri. 27th Jan. 2017 5pm.

Presentation Primary School, Station Rd:

Application forms for enrolment for the school year commencing Sept. 2017 are available at the Junior School Reception between 9am & 1pm Mon. – Fri.

Cloneyhurke N.S. Accepting applications for September 2017. Contact the school 05786 23271 or cloneyhurkens@gmail.com

PORTARLINGTON PARISH ENVELOPES

The envelope boxes are available at the Church porches this weekend. The boxes contain weekly collection envelopes & special collection envelopes. To register write your name & address on 1st envelope. This contribution goes towards the upkeep of schools, churches & parish buildings. Thank all who contributed during the past year.

FRIENDS TOGETHER SOCIAL CLUB

The Friends Together Social Club are now re-opened after the Christmas break. Meetings are held on Tuesday & Friday in the Scouts Den on Main Street. Parents & children welcome.

Call in for a cuppa & a chat.

Phone: 087 2788472

PORTARLINGTON GAA CLUB

Attention all coaches or those interested in coaching!

If you are interested in helping to coach a team in 2017 and were unable to attend the coaches meeting, please make your intent known to Adrainne McCarthy - Portarlington GAA Club Secretary on 086-8267808 asap.

CLG Laois need more referees for 2017

Email administrator.laois@gaa.ie for details
Keep up to date with what's going on in Portarlington GAA Club by liking our Facebook page (Portarlington GAA Club) or following us on Twitter @PortGAA or our website clgportarlington.com

EMO / RATH PARISH LOTTO

Results of Draw 9th January 2017

Numbers 8, 9, 12, 15 No Jackpot winner.

€25 to each of the following:-

R. Mulhall C/o Emo Shop; John Deering C/o Anne; Brigid Byrne C/o Parish Office; Ann Lowry C/o Ann Lowry; Bridget Bennett C/o Emo NS; Next week's Jackpot is €3,200.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Computer Training on a **One - To - One** basis from beginners to Advanced users. All ages catered for. Choose Email, Internet, Skype, Facebook, Messenger, Whatsapp, Viber, Booking Tickets, Holidays, Shopping, Using iPads, Tablets, Kindle, Androids, Iphones, Memory Sticks, Music, Photos, Word Excel, PowerPoint etc. Contact 086-3034540.

IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

A clinic will take place in Portarlington Community Centre on Tues. 24th Jan. from 4.30pm-8pm. Please help us make the difference at attending this clinic.

ST. MICHAEL'S CONFERENCE OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Sale now on in Portarlington St Vincent de Paul shop. Great selection of good quality shoes, clothes for men, women & children, bags, toys & furniture. Donations of good quality items always welcome. We thank our Customers for their continued support throughout the year & wish everyone a happy & healthy 2017. Raffle in store at the moment for hampers & various prizes. Tickets €1 each.

DEMPSEY'S GAA

Lotto Results for 9th January 2017

Lotto Results 09/01/17 Numbers were: 07,12,23,25. No Jackpot winner. Next week's Jackpot: €14,800.

O'Dempsey's Annual Dinner Dance

Our annual Dinner Dance & medal presentation to our victorious Intermediate and u21 teams will take place on Friday the 3rd of February 2017 at 8pm in The Heritage Killenard.

Entertainment will be provided on the night by Damian Carroll and The Electrix. Tickets are €35 or €20 for students. If you are interested in buying a ticket or reserving a table, please contact Louise on 0877854640 or Barry on 0877707511

Operation Transformation & Couch to 5km

We will meet at Killenard Community Centre every Monday and Thursday @ 7pm for light walk. All levels of fitness welcome! For more info please visit our Facebook page or text Louise on 087-7854640. Please spread the word. Hope to see you all there!

KILBRIDE ART GROUP

Catering for Students / Adults

Art classes recommence as follows:

Mon. 30th January 2017 from 10am–12 noon

Tues. 31st January 2017 from 10am–12 noon

Wed. 1st February 2017 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.**

LITTLE THEATRE SCHOOL OF DRAMA

Little Theatre, School of Drama. Ages 4 to 16.

Located at B Sharp Studios, Portarlington.

Contact Lauren on 085-8340436 or

email littletheatredramaschool@gmail.com

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB

LOTTO RESULTS 10.1.2017

Letters M, K, A, R – No Winner €25 to each of the following: Michelle Carey & Vincent Waldron. Sellers prize Lorcan Carey. Next jackpot €5,600. Draw will take place in the Barrow Lodge on 24.1.2017.

PORTARLINGTON LIONS CLUB

Portarlington Lions Club Flag Day

Will take place weekend of 14th / 15th January.

PORTARLINGTON SCOUTS

Collections taking place for the Portarlington Scouts on 21st & 22nd January. All donations greatly appreciated.

HEALTHCARE SUPPORT AWARD

Family Carers Ireland are proving the QQI Level 5 Healthcare Support Award in your area based on demand in February 2017. One Day workshops also available on Nutrition, Dementia and Mental Health in Tullamore. For more info contact 0579322920.

B SHARP STUDIOS

Portarlington School of Music.

Music lessons available in all Instruments and Voice. Both Individual and group lessons available. All levels and ages catered for.

Contact Conor 086-1639153 or

Keith 085-7516595.

JUNIOR BAND FOR PORTARLINGTON

Pat Donegan is working to put together a Junior Band for Portarlington & surrounding areas. He is inviting boys & girls age 9 years & older to join. Instruments provided, which include Flutes, Clarinets, Trumpets, Trombones, Saxophones, Drums & Percussion & low Brass. Parents can contact Pat @ 083-8570428 for more details. Also if you would like to give some of your time to help it would be greatly appreciated.

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PORT SOCIAL SERVICES

The **46th AGM** will take place on Fri. 27th Jan. at 7.30pm in the Social Services Centre, Link Road. All are welcome to attend.

The **Weekly Bingo** will return on Wed. 1st Feb. at 8.30pm. Come along.



GREASE THE MUSICAL

Coláiste Íosagáin will be staging the ever popular musical, Grease on Wed. 18th & Thurs. 19th Jan. 2017 at 8pm. Tickets are available from Ms. Bergin at a sales booth in reception (NOT the 'office') at lunchtimes from Mon. 9th Jan. (excluding Fridays).

Cost €5 for students and €10 for adults.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP - KILLENARD

Will meet on Tues 17th Jan at 2.30pm in Killenard Community Centre. New members very welcome.

CHILDMINDER NEEDED

Mature childminder required to mind children in the children's own home 3 days per week from 1.30pm to 5.30pm. Own transport essential / References required. Further details contact 083-4315162.

CELTIS SCHOOL OF SPEECH & DRAMA

Celtis School of Speech and Drama Classes at Leisure Centre (Swimming Pool) Portarlington. The classes are structured to increase confidence, improve clarity of speech, fluency and self-expression through drama. Individual attention assured. Children from 4 years up. Classes commence on Wednesday September 18th Junior 4pm Senior 5pm. To enrol and enquiries contact Anita 086 2478052 or Email : celtissd@hotmail.com

BRINGING THEOLOGY HOME

The priory institute

Join our supportive student community and study theology by distance learning this Spring. Application deadline 28th February. Phone 01 4048124 / enquiries@prioryinstitute.com www.prioryinstitute.com

COURTWOOD GAA

The Annual General Meeting of Courtwood GAA will be held on Fri. 20th Jan. At 7.30pm. Nominations and motions can be submitted to secretary.courtwood.laois@gaa.ie or will be taken on the night.



ST. MICHAEL'S FOLK CHOIR

The Folk Choir will sing the new Mass setting "St. Michael's Celebration" at the 12.15pm Mass on Sun. 29th January, 2017.

FRENCH GRINDS

French Grinds: Native French Speaker (all levels). Conversational French. Contact Magali on 089-4412929.

NEW YEAR - NEW YOU

Get powerful, positive, permanent change using hypnosis / hypnohealing. Quit smoking / weight loss – Very high success rate. Contact Aisling Whelan on 086 8094071.

ST. PAUL'S LADIES CLUB

St. Paul's Ladies club will be holding their AGM on 20th January 2017 at 7.30pm in Emo Community Centre. All welcome along.

FOUND

Dog found in the Bellgrove area of Ballybrittas on New Year's Day. Sheepdog Cross / Black & White – Male. Phone Marie on 087-6861127.