



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 g opening hours.

DIocese www.kandle.ie

SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline: 116 123 Email: jo@samaritans.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 087 7640557 AWARE Lo-call Helpline 1890 303 302 G.R.O.W. www.grow.ie Info: 1890 474 474

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MASS TIMES

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

10am Daily Mass (Monday – Friday)

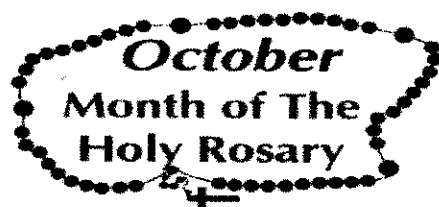
6.15pm (Vigil – Sat.), 9am & 12.15pm Sunday

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 15th OCTOBER 2023

WEEKEND MASSES PORTARLINGTON

Saturday 14th October – 6.15pm

Sr. Agnes Kelly, Presentation Sisters (M.M.)
Gerry Conway, Avondale (B/Day Rem.)
James & Josephine Nolan & deceased
members of the Nolan Family, Walsh Island;
Olive Dunne, Cloneyhurke (25th Anniv.)
James Murphy, Assumpta Terrace; Lil Hebdon;
Sheila Dunne, London & formerly Cloneyhurke

Sunday 15th October – 12.15pm

John (Jack) Kenny, Station Road (M.M.)
Trevor Ennis, St. Michael's Park (1st Anniv.)
Marion Meehan, Sweeps Road & Scotland (2nd
Anniv.); Larry McCann, Bishopswood
Mai Byrne, Cloneyhurke (20th Anniv.)
Michael & Rose Roycroft, St. Michael's Park;
Nan & Jack Ryan, Church Lane, Maura Smyth,
Droughill & her Son Michael Smyth.

10AM MASS - ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 16th Oct. Julia Horan, Church View
Tues. 17th Oct. ---
Wed. 18th Oct. Owen & Margaret McCann;
Michael Terrett, Rathleash (4th Anniv.)
Thurs. 19th Oct. National Credit Union Day;
Kathleen Higgins, Patrick St. (5th Anniv.)
Fri. 20th Oct. Eilish O'Neill

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 15th October - 10.30am
Mark, Margaret & Breda Fitzpatrick, Tierhogar;
Patrick Murphy, Tierhogar;
Bernard Tynan, Rathmiles;
Paddy Murphy (15th Anniv.) & Rose Murphy
(3rd Anniv.), 'Emmaus', Killenard

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 14th October – 7.30pm
Bridie Hyland, The Sawmills, Ballybrittas (M.M.)
John King, Morette; Josephine & Edward
Dunne; Clonamone; Frank Behan, Clonamone;
James & Ellen Lewis, Morette; Michael Lewis,
Morette; Paddy Lewis, Morette & The Heath

Sunday 15th October – 11am

Martha Morrin, Coolbanagher (M.M.)
Conor Montague, Woodbrook (2nd Anniv.)

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 15th October - 9am

ROSARY

Rosary will be recited every
evening at 4pm in St. John's
Church, Killenard. All welcome.



Twenty Eight Sunday in O.T.

✠ DECEASED - R. I. P. ✠

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

Mary Begadon (nee Crombie), Ballacolla,
formerly Kilcappagh

Samuel (Sam) Murphy, Monasterevin (Son of
Tim Murphy, St. Michael's Park)



Congratulations to the following children who
were baptized last weekend in the
Parish:-

Harry Rory Owens, Fairways, Killenard

Nora Joan Walsh, Kilkeeran

Andrew Robert Coleman, Rathleash

Katie Carmel Walsh, Mill Lane, Garryhinch

INTERNATIONAL CREDIT UNION DAY

Thursday 19th October

Mass will be celebrated in St. Michael's Church,
Portarlington at 10am. All are welcome to
Portarlington Credit Union for tea/coffee and
refreshments after Mass.

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the above Committee will take
place on Saturday evening next, 21st October
after the 6.15pm Mass in St. Mary's Chapel.
All members asked to attend.

COLAISTE IOSAGAIN OPEN NIGHT

An 'Open Night' will be held in Colaiste
Íosagáin, Portarlington on Thurs.
26th October commencing 7pm.
All welcome.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH MISSION COLLECTION

The Mission Sunday collection takes place
next weekend, 21st / 22nd October, at all
Masses. Envelopes for Mission Sunday are
available in your development boxes or at the
Church porch

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

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Tues. 17th Oct. St. Ignatius of Antioch

Wed. 18th Oct. St. Luke, Evangelist

Thurs. 19th Oct. Ss John Brebeuf, Isaac
Jogues & companions / St. Paul of the
Cross



OCTOBER

Theme: Luke (24:13-35); "Hearts on
Fire, Feet on the Move".

Next Sunday we celebrate World Mission
Sunday, the Holy Father's annual appeal to
support overseas mission and missionaries.
It takes place in every single parish world-
wide where the Church is present. In
Ireland, Missio Ireland is tasked with
organizing the Mission Sunday collection.
Missio Ireland is the Pope's official charity
for overseas mission. Mission collection
envelope is available in your box of
envelopes and also at the Church porches.
info@missio.ie

To learn more go to www.missio.ie

GOLDEN JUBILEE

Congratulations

to

Fr. Sean Murphy SDB (Rath),
who celebrates the Golden Jubilee of his
Ordination to the Priesthood this weekend.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES



Rosary & Blessing of Graves will take place
on Sun. 5th November.

Blessing will take place as follows:-

Killenard after the 10.30am Mass
St. Michael's Cemetery, Portarlington
at 3pm.

WORLD FOOD DAY

World Food Day is observed every year on
16th October in remembrance of the day
when the Food and Agricultural
Organisation (FAO) of the United Nations
was founded in 1945. The primary focus is
to tackle global hunger and strive to
eradicate hunger across the world.

RAINBOWS IRELAND

Rainbows Ireland is a free, listening, peer, group
support service that provides support for
children from the age of 7, after they have
experienced a parental separation and/or
bereavement. Scoil Phadraig, Portarlington are
now enrolling both boys and girls for their
RAINBOWS PROGRAMME

- It is a 10 week listening group support
program for children & young people
following a bereavement and/or parental
separation.
 - Children of a similar age and loss
experience are in separate groups
(From 7 years)
 - Rainbows is not counseling or
professional therapy.
- For further enquiries or to enroll your child, e-
mail rainbowsscoilphadraig@gmail.com or
request a call back at the school office on 057
8623394.

CLONASLEE THANKSGIVING CONCERT

Clonaslee Parish present

Dana, Philomena Begley & Special Guests
for a special night of Music & Song. Proceeds in
aid of the Parish Church. Concert takes place
on Sun. 10th December at 8pm. Tickets will go
on line shortly. You can contact Dolores on
087 414 8093 or Local Businesses in Clonaslee.

WANTED - MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

Beginners Flute required for learner.
Contact 086 1732637

LITTLE BOOK OF POEMS & SHORT STORIES

By Ruth Nolan.

Available in the Parish Office. €6 ea. All
proceeds of this book to be donated to Laochra
Laois Special Olympics Club.

SOLAS - R32 RPX8 - LEA ROAD

Eco Garden Shop – Farmers Market on
Saturdays 10am – 2pm /
Craft Market first Sunday of every month.
Lots of workshops & events

COURTWOOD GAA

1962 – 2022 – DINNER DANCE

Sat. 4th Nov. commencing 7pm sharp in
Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise. 4 course meal
with spot prizes. Music by Premier DJs. Tickets
€50 each can be had from Club members.

ST. MICHAEL'S A.C. RUNNING CLUB

Join our Club / Improve your running / Get
healthier / Receive coaching advice /
Socialise, have fun and make friends.
Training times: 6-8 years: Mon. 6-6.40pm
8-13 years Mon. & Thurs. 6-6.50pm
13 years and up Mon. & Thurs. 6-6.50pm
Seniors: Mon. & Thurs. 7-8pm

GROW

Grow Mental Health Support meeting takes
place every Thurs. afternoon from 2.30pm –
4.30pm in the Social Services Centre, Link
Road. At Grow Mental Health Organisation we
understand what you are going through. Reach
out to us now & start getting the support you
need. Any person over 18 years of age
welcome to attend. Further information, contact
Assumpta on 086 8114135 or email
assumptalyns@grow.ie

O'DEMPSEY'S G.F.C. LOTTO

9th Oct. 2023

Numbers: 12,13,23,25. No Jackpot Winner.
Match 3 Winner: Sheila Dunne. Promoter: Richie
Slevin. Next week's Jackpot is €18,000.
Tickets available from our usual sellers and in
Dowling's Gala, Richie Slevins and Ballybrittas
Service Station. Thanks for your support.

SCOIL PHADRAIG



Official opening and blessing of Scoil Phadraig,
Canal Road will take place on Friday 20th
October 2023 at 11.30am followed by light
refreshments. All welcome, especially
past pupils and parents.

PORTARLINGTON CHRISTMAS CAROLLERS

Portarlington Christmas Carolers are
commencing practice shortly for their annual
Christmas Concert in St. Michael's Church. If
you would like to come along to our practices, &
take part, contact Charlotte on 086-0677072.
Also, if you play the violin or the flute, we would
be delighted to have you join the group.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Portarlington Library Book Club

Next meeting is on Tuesday at 11am. We will
be discussing Glorious Heresies by Lisa
McInerney

Baby Book Club

To book for next event phone 057 8643751 or
email portarlingtonlibrary@laoiscoco.ie
Knitting Club

Meets every Friday morning 10:30am-12:30.
All skill levels from beginner to advanced
are welcome!

Sensory Toy Resource Collection

A service for parents of children with additional
needs who live in Co. Laois. The toys are
designed to support the development of gross
motor skills, fine motor skills and
communication skills. More details can be found
on our website or ask at the library desk.

Laois Libraries Online Book Club

Reads one book a month chosen from the
BorrowBox collection. Join us on the last
Wednesday of each month when questions are
posed for discussion on our Book Club
Facebook page. This month we are reading
House of Ashes by Stuart Neville New
members are always welcome.
Phone 057 8643751 or Email
portarlingtonlibrary@laoiscoco.ie

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. €15
each. Will be available from the Parish Office.

PIANO LESSONS / EXAM GRINDS

Piano lessons available – All levels catered for.
Leaving & Junior Cert. Music Grinds &
preparation for theory exams. Experienced,
highly qualified Teacher (Masters Degree).
Limited vacancies. To book please phone
Donal on 085 7393927.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY

OCTOBER



October is the month of the Rosary.
It's a time when we are encouraged to
pray the Rosary as a family. The Rosary is
recited in St. Michael's Church at 7pm every
evening and can be viewed on the Webcam.

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

Week No. 1211 - 9th Oct. 2023

Numbers 5, 8, 11, 22 / €25 each to:-
Cora Carroll C/o Bernie; Tony & Fiona
Keane C/o Rose; Willie Moran C/o Vera;
John Strong C/o Emo GAA; Ken Guinan
C/o Emo GAA. Next draw takes place on
16th Oct. with a Jackpot of €4,200.



GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO

Lotto draw 9th Oct. – Week No. 41.
Numbers drawn 25, 27, 18, 2 – No jackpot
winner. €50 each to:- John Murray, Joe
Whelan, Margaret Walsh, Marie Fallon & to
Bridie Keegan. Promoter prize Graham
Delaney. Next weeks' Jackpot €8,000

ALONE

Would you be willing to provide
companionship or make calls to Older
People once a week? ALONE are seeking
volunteers in your area.
Full training and support provided. If
interested please sign up
here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/>
for more information, contact Fiona
on fiona.boyle@alone.ie or on 086
1366539.

SEEKING GOD

The Cistercian Community at St. Mary's
Abbey, Glencairn invite single women,
aged 19-40, to our upcoming monastic
vocations weekend on 27-29 October,
2023. Please contact our Vocation
Dire4ctor, Sr. Sarah at
vocations@glencairnabbey.org or visit
www.glencairnabbey.org for more details.

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB,

CLONEYHURKE - R32 CY89

Social Dance. The next Social Dance
takes place on Sat. 21st October. Doors
open at 9pm. Admission €10. Dancing
to Brian McDermott. Refreshments
served.

Keep Fit Classes: Classes continue
every Wednesday night from 7-8pm under
the guidance of Eimear Mathews.
€5 per class.

Dancing Lessons: Every Monday night
with Dolores Casey 7.45-9.15pm. €8 per
lesson.