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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 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.







CELEBRATION OF MASS VIA WEBCAM Link to live streaming from

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaelschurch-portarlington



Portarlington & Emo Parish @EmoParish

Sunday 16th January 2022 * Second Sunday in O.T. * Year C

ANNIVERSARY - PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 15th January - 6.15pm

Anthony (Tony) Keenan, Gracefield (M.M. Lilly Tinkler (nee Lator), Assumpta Tce. (M.M.) Andrew O'Neill, St. Brigid's Sq. (1st Anniv.) Michael Murphy, Annamoe (6th Anniv.) Dec. members of the Murphy Family Elizabeth Dempsey (nee Knight) Monasterevin (6th Anniv.); Peter & Mary McEvoy, St. Patrick's Tce. & their Son, Sean McEvoy; Joseph Murphy, Gracefield; Maurice Kelly, St. Michael's Park; Rachel Darragh, Co. Antrim; Matt & Julia Colgan, Annamoe

Sun. 16th January - 12.15pm

Brian (Bruno) Higgins, Patrick Street Gerard Kelly, Seskin; Danny Brophy, Killeen Patrick & Una Mitchell and deceased members of the Mitchell Family:

John & Bridie O'Donnell, St. Brigid's Square & their grandson Phillip Brennan, formerly French Church St. (who died in Wales recently)

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARY PORTARLINGTON

MASS AT 10AM EACH MORNING

Mon. 17th Jan. - Shirley Hoey, Botley Court & William Hoey, St. Mary's Tce.

Wed. 19th Jan. - Betty Spain

Thurs. 20th Jan. - Anthony (Chappy) Maioney, Park Avenue (M.M.)

Fri. 21st Jan. - Richard Coghlan, England (who died recently)

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sun. 16th January - 10.30am

Eberhard Bauer, Clonanny & Germany J.J. Bannon, Lea; Eugene, Ellen & Terry this year is "Catholic Schools: Faith, Excellence, Service Sullivan & dec. members of the Yorke & Sullivan Families: Dominic Boylan, Kilnaleck, Cavan (4th Anniv.) **ANNIVERSARIES - EMO**

Sat. 15th January - 7.30pm Andy Hyland, Morette (1st Anniv.) William Dunne, Morette

Sun. 16th January - 11am Danny Brophy, Killeen

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sun. 16th January - 9am Edward Boland, Courtwood Michael O'Connor, Courtwood, Ballybrittas

DECEASED - R. I. P.

Your prayers are requested for the following who died during the week:-

Pete Corcoran, Courtwood, Ballybrittas

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN



The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will begin on Tues. Next, 18th January and last until 25th January. The theme this year is "We saw the star in the East, and we come to worship him" (Mt 2:2). The resources for this vear were compiled in Lebanon and reflect the civil conflict and experiences of the people there; a yearning for a light leading to the Saviour who overcomes darkness. Resources, including pamphlets in Irish and English can be found via Resources for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022 (cbti.org.uk)



Catholic Schools Faith, Excellence, Service

Catholic Schools Week 2022 will run from 30th January to 5th February 2022.

The theme for Catholic Schools Week Catholic Schools week is a national Celebration of Catholic education and an opportunity to recognise the importance, value and the contribution of the Catholic education to the Church and to the world.

PARISH OFFICE

Please note that all Anniversary Masses must be booked in with the Parish Office latest Thursday's 12 Noon in order to guarantee inclusion in the weekend's Parish Newsletter & Anniversary Altar List. Also, all other notices for the Parish newsletter to be in by Wednesday of each week. Thank you for your co-operation.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament held in St. Michael's Parish Church, Portarlington each Tuesday after 10am Mass & continues until 7pm.

BAPTISMS



We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism:

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Lily Philomena Shanahan, Abbeyleix

CONFIRMATION 2022 23

Bishop Denis Nulty will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in March: Sacred Heart N.S., Rath Thursday 24th March at 11am

> St. Paul N.S., Emo Thursday 24th March at 2pm

Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road, Portarlington Wednesday 30th March at 11am

Presentation Primary School, Station Road, Portarlington & Cloneyhurke N.S. Wednesday 30th March at 2pm

> Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard Thursday 31st March at 11.30am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022



St. Paul's N.S., Emo Sunday 1st May at 11am

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath Saturday 7th May at 11.30am

Presentation Primary School, Station Road, Portarlington & Cloneyhurke N.S. Saturday 14th May at 11.30am

> Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard Saturday 21st May at 11.30am

> Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road, Portarlington Saturday 28th May at 11.30am

Please note that the above dates are subject to Government guidelines / regulations,

2022 GUIDELINES



Please wear a face covering

Face covering mandatory. Social distancing must be adhered to.

Our thanks to all of you for your support and help during the year. We look forward to a happy and healthy 2022

COVID 19 SUPPORT FOR ELDERLY

Alone manage a national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID 19. Call 0818 222 024 from 8am-8pm (7 days / week).

IRISH DANCING CLASSES - EMO

Friday evenings at 6.15pm in Emo. Further information contact Ann on 085 2531131 or Deane on 085 1978879. Teach both competitive and non-competitive dancers Dancers learn at their own pace and it's never too late to start.

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO

10th Jan. 2022 - Numbers 23, 02, 26, 15 No lackpot winner. €50 each to the following: Dee Doyle; Chris Murphy; Eugene McCabe; Mick Melia; Rita Kelly, Promoter Tadgh Bryan. Next week's Jackpot €4,000

AN SPIORAID NAOIMH PRAISE & WORSHIP MEETING

An Spioraid Naoimh Praise & Worship Meeting John Paul II Room Parish Centre St. Peter & St. Paul's Portiaoise. Commencing 10.45am (just after 10am Mass) Sat. 29th Jan. Format: Rosary / Praise & Worship (Live Music); Talk No. 3 "Be perfect as your Heaventy Father is perfect". Conclusion: Final hymns & prayers. Spiritual Director: Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill. Further information contact: M. Nerney on 086 - 8157305.

SYNOD NEWS

There is now a dedicated page given to the synod on our diocesan website? Find out more about the universal synod and the synodal pathway for the Irish Church at www.kandle.ie/synod. This page will continue to be added to as we move deeper into the synod journey. Under Synod Resources you will find a very short video explaining the synod as well as three longer videos looking to: Synodality --What does it mean? How does it work? Why does it matter? The prayer for the synod can be found on this page also.

G.R.O.W.

New Grow Mental Health Peer Support meeting takes place every Thurs. from 2.30pm to 4.30pm in the Social Services Centre. Contact Assumpta 086-8114135 assumptalyons@grow.ie

MEDJUGORJE GROUP PILGRIMAGE

Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 2022. 7 Night Pilgrimage Package with Marian Pilgrimages.

14TH – 21ST August Cost £775 Farty booking - 21ST August. Cost: €775. Early booking discount of €50 if booked before 31st January 2022. Flight: Shannon to Mostar. Spiritual Director Fr. Sean Hyland C.C. Contact: Michael Nerney 086 8157305.

VACANCY

Part-time to full-time Office Administrator required for busy office in Portarlington town. Duties include customer service, general administration with proficiency in Microsoft Office including Word and Excel essential. Send your application by e-mail to:- info@tommcdonald.ie

COMMUNION CALLS

Communion calls to the sick and housebound will take place next week



Tuesday 18th January, 2022 Crowe Lane; St. Brigid's Square; Station Court; Newmill Court: Canal Road: Derrymore: Corrig:

Lough: Lea

Wednesday 19th January, 2022 Ballybrittas; Bellgrove; Courtwood; Fisherstown: Jamestown Coolaghy; Ballycullane; Killimy; Morette; Coolbanagher; Knightstown; Killeen;

Tinnakill: New Inn; Portlaoise Road

Thursday 20th January, 2022

Assumpta Terrace: St. Patrick's Terrace: St. Joseph's Terrace; Avondale; Annamoe; Garryhinch; Bog Road Patrick Street: Rosecourt: Droughill: Clondoolusk: Cushina

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In light of Covid-19, if you would prefer not to have a visit, please phone the parish office. If you are not already on the list and would like to be included, you can also phone the parish office with details. The priest/s attending will conform with Government guidelines for visits.

ENROLMENT - SCHOOL



Presentation Primary School, Station Road, Portarlington

Enrolment for Junior Infants 2022 will commenced on the 17th January 2022. Forms are available from the school office and also as a download from the school website. The school office is open from 8.30 until 2.30 each day. You can phone 057 8623007 or Email info@presprimary.ie Closing Date is 11th February, 2022.

Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road, Portarlington Enrolment for Junior Infants 2022 will commenced on the 7th January. Forms are available from the school office and also as a download from the school website.

General-Enrolment-Form-POD-Sept-2022-Web-Copy.PDF (stpatricksbns.ie) The school office is open from 8.30 until 2.30 each day. You can phone 057 8623394

or Email info@stpatricksbns.ie Sacred Heart N.S., Rath

2022/2023 - Applications open from Thurs. 13th Jan. & last day for applications will be 4th Feb., 2022. Applications available on the school website www.rathns.ie or from the office on 057 8626270. St. Paul's N.S., Emo

Now enrolling for the 2022 / 2023 school year. Applications are open between Jan. 14th & Jan. 28th 2022. You can download the form from the school website at

https://www.emons.ie/enrolment-2022-2023/ Or on request by emailing secretary@emons.ie Feel free to contact the school for further information. Phone 057 8646868. Emo National School, Emo, Portlaoise R32DX52

Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard

2022/2023 - Admission forms available from the school office - E-mail office@naomheoin.ie / phone 057 8626217 & to download from our website www.killenardschool.weebly.com from Mon. 10th Jan., 2022. The school will commence accepting applications for admission on 13th January 2022. Closing date for applications is Mon. 7th Feb. 2022.

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



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B.O.I. Portarlington BOFIIE2D 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

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B.O.I., Mountmellick BOFIIE2D

Emo Church No. 1 Account IBAN - IE16 BOFI 9018 1051 4302 54

Emo Parish Clergy Fund Account IBAN: IE34 BOFI 9018 1022 2378 77

PARISH DONATION ENVELOPE Available at the Church Porch.

PORTARLINGTON PARISH ENVELOPES

The envelope boxes are available at the Church porches. 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.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

For 2021 any Parishioner giving more than €250 to the Parish will entitle the Parish to a tax refund. This includes donations made by both PAYE persons and Self Employed persons. On this basis any Parishioner who contributes €250 or more to the Parish in 2019, this donation will entitle the Parish to a tax rebate. Forms available from the Parish Office. Sincere thanks for your generosity in contributing to the Parish at all times

CHEQUES

Due to Bank requirements, all cheques made payable to the Parish should have the correct Account name. Portarlington Parish: Portarlington Parish Number 1 Account

Emo Parish: Emo Parish Number 1 Account **Priests Collections**

Portarlington: Portarlington Clergy Fund Emo: Emo Clergy Fund Individual Priests names should not be written on the cheques.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Used postage stamps wanted for Foreign Missions. Please leave in through the letter box of The Nook Shop, Patrick St.

A GUIDE TO STARTING YOUR **OWN BUSINESS**

If you are thinking of starting you own business, there is a very helpful book written by Kevin Lawlor (Formerly Foxcroft Street, Portarlington). This is available from the Parish Office.