



# 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.

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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



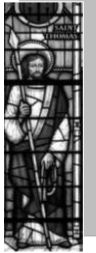
## MASS TIMES

### St. Paul's Church, Emo

7.30pm (Vigil – Saturday),  
11am Sunday

### Sacred Heart Church, Rath

9am Sunday



## Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 - 24<sup>th</sup> Sun. in Ordinary Time - Year A

### ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 18<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10am Sister. Pacifique & Sister Albert Lambe

Tues. 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10am ---

Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10am ---

Thurs. 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. 10am Mary Ann Gorman

Fri. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept. 10am ---



### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September - 6.15pm

Esther Murphy, Annamoe; Michael Murphy Jnr., Annamoe; Maisie & Paddy Orange, Marian Hill; Cissie Orange, Patrick St; Susan Orange, Bracklone St. Liam Muldowney, Bog Rd; Gerard Muldowney, Westport (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September – 12.15pm

Michael Dempsey, Barrow Bank, Shandra MM John McCague, Station Rd; William Higgins, The Deanery; Dominic Harris

### Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – 6.15pm

Billy Moloney, Cloneygowan (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.) Neddy Ryan, Marian Hill; Maureen & Tommy Doyle, Drumcondra; Bridget Kavanagh, Ballymorris

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September – 12.15pm

Paddy Horrigan, Avondale (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) Margaret (Peg) Crossan, Kilbride Edward Murray, Cushina

### ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September – 10.30am

Patrick Connolly, Doolagh (M.M.) Christina Keogh, Rathleash

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September – 10.30am

John O'Kane, Kilmullen (12<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) Christina Brophy, Lough

### DECEASED

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



Barry Kelly, Blackrock, Cork & Portarlington  
Victor Brydone, New Inn Cross, Emo  
Sue Fallon (Wife of George Fallon, formerly St. Michael's Park)

### BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:-

Logan Michael Lynch-Bracken,  
Bracklone Street



### FEAST DAYS

Thurs. 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. St. Matthew (Apostle)  
Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. St. Padre Pio



### ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September – 7.30pm

Ned & Beth Bailey, Cappakeel & dec. members of the Bailey Family; Elizabeth Fenlon, Emo; Brigid Dunne, Morette; Margaret Flynn & dec. members of the Flynn Family, Emo

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September – 11am

Gavin Keegan, Cappakeel & Portarlington Anne Greaney, Ballybrittas

### Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – 7.30pm

James Bailey, Ashgrove, Ballybrittas

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September – 11am

Bridget Booth, Morette (M.M.)

### ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September – 9am

Lucy & Frank Carroll, Fisherstown

### LEGION OF MARY SUNDAY IN KNOCK

Bus leaving Emo Church at 9.15am on Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. for Knock. €10 per person. €5 for children Contact Celia on 057-8643273.

### PORTARLINGTON LOURDES ORGANISATION

#### SOCIAL NIGHT

A social evening, organised by the Lourdes Committee, will take place on Fri. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept. in the Pint-O-Port from 9pm until late. Music by J.L. Laffan Sound. Everyone very welcome.



### LAOIS PRO LIFE TALK & TRAINING

Laois Pro Life talk and training with Sarah Ekada, Paddy Manning and Michael Dwyer of Family & Life on Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. in the Portlaoise Parish Centre at 8pm. All welcome!

### EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO 11/9/2017

Numbers 6, 8, 9, 21 – No winner. €25 to each of the following: DJ Doheny C/o Martha; Anne Moore C/o Martha; Caroline Treacy C/o Emo Shop; Brian & Tom O'Connell C/o Mick; Louise Allen, Coolbanagher C/o Emo Shop  
**Next Jackpot €9,200**

### IMPORTANT DATES 2018



Ash Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February  
Good Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March  
Easter Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April  
Ascension 13<sup>th</sup> May  
Pentecost 20<sup>th</sup> May  
Trinity Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May  
Corpus Christi 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 2<sup>nd</sup> December



### LECTORS

### NEXT WEEKEND 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September

**PORTARLINGTON:** Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> 6.15pm Sarah Dunne / Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> 9am Sadie Hainsworth / 12.15pm Michelle Murphy  
**KILLENARD:** Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Dymrna Campbell

**EMO:** Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm Paula O'Rourke

Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> 11am Paul Donnelly

**RATH:** Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> 9am Eoin O'Connell

### EUCHRISTIC MINISTERS

### NEXT WEEKEND 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September

**PORTARLINGTON TEAM B**

**KILLENARD: TEAM B**

### ANNUAL PIONEER MASS

Mass will be celebrated in Rosenallis on Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> Sept. (today) at 7pm. All very welcome to attend.

### EMIGRANT NEWSLETTER

#### DEADLINE

Friday next, 22<sup>nd</sup> September is the final day for accepting articles, reports, photos etc. for this year's Emigrant Newsletter. After that, you are too late! Can you e-mail your report, articles etc. to the following:-  
[portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net](mailto:portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net) immediately!

### CONFIRMATION 2018

**Sacred Heart NS, RATH**  
Wed. 25<sup>th</sup> April at 11am

**St. Paul's NS, EMO**  
Wed. 25<sup>th</sup> April 2pm

**Scoil Naomh Eoin, KILLENARD**  
Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 11.30am

**St. Patrick's Boys NS PORTARLINGTON**  
Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> May at 11am

**Presentation Primary School, PORTARLINGTON & CLONEYHURKE**  
NS - Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018

**Sacred Heart NS, RATH**  
Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am

**St. Paul's NS, EMO**  
Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> May at 11am

**Scoil Naomh Eoin, KILLENARD**  
Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am

**St. Patrick's Boys NS, PORTARLINGTON**  
Sat. 19<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am

**Presentation Primary School, PORTARLINGTON & CLONEYHURKE**  
NS - Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am

### **WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE**

Mon. 9.45am – 10.45am & 7.30pm-8.30pm  
At GAA Centre, McCann Park, Portarlinton.  
Special offer: Fee of €35 payable on the first day. For every week that you are down weight receive €5 back at the end of the challenge. Fee also includes complimentary Herbalife 6 day ideal breakfast pack, meal plans, weekly nutritional talk, fun, support & advice.

Facebook Healthy Hub Port

Text WLC with your name & time to Bernie/John on 086-2596618. Booking essential as places are limited.

### **PILGRIMAGE WALK FOR THE FAMILY**

Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. Gathering of the community at St. Paul's Church, Emo at 3pm. Come & walk with us to the crucifix in the grounds of Mount St. Anne's. Theme is "Family". We invite you to bring a cross or stone, plain or decorated to symbolize who or what you are bringing with you in your prayer on this Pilgrim walk. If you don't wish to walk come & pray in the Chapel at Mount St. Anne's, Killenard. All welcome.

### **COMPUTER TRAINING**

Computer Training on a **One - To - One** basis from beginners to Advanced users. All ages catered for. Choose Email, Internet, Skype, Facebook, Booking Tickets, Holidays Shopping, Using iPads, Tablets, Kindle, iPhones, Memory Sticks, Music, Photos, Word, Excel etc.  
Contact 0863034540

### **MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND**

Mount St. Joseph Abbey, Roscrea. Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. – Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. For men aged 20 to 40 discerning a monastic vocation. Further info: Vocations Director, Br. Malachy. Text info. to 085-8338503 vocations@msjroscrea.ie

### **GROW Community Mental Health Support**

Group meets every Thurs. at 7.30pm in the Jobs Club, Oriel House, Main St. Come along & learn more about positive mental health, well-being, recovery & how GROW may help you achieve this. Free of charge. Contact Michelle 086 418 3805 - [www.grow.ie](http://www.grow.ie)

### **THE CELTIC TENORS**



With Monasterevin Gospel Choir.

Fri. 6<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 8pm. St. Peter's & Paul's Church, Monasterevin. Tickets €25 – Available from Earley's Fashion 045-525395 Parish Office 045-525346.

### **ORGAN TUITION PROGRAMME**

The diocese is looking for expressions of interest in an organ tuition programme organised by the Advisory Committee on Church Music, based at the National Centre for Liturgy, Maynooth. This course requires a basic competence in the keyboard (grade 4/5). Once we know the level of interest, we hope to host the tuition in a convenient location within the diocese. To indicate your interest, contact Julie at [julie.kavanagh@kandle.ie](mailto:julie.kavanagh@kandle.ie) or 059-9164084.

### **CAR BOOT & CRAFT SALE**

Will be held in Emo Community Hall on Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. from 11am – 4pm. Phone 083-0452810 to book your place. €15 charge per stall. BBQ & free face painting on the day. Please come along and support Emo GAA.

### **PORTARLINGTON CONCERT BAND**

Lessons for Beginners and Intermediate commencing Thurs. 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. 5-6pm & 6-7pm. Boys & Girls 9+ & enthusiastic Adults welcome. Musical instruments provided. Enrolment Thurs. 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. If interested contact: Joan Hennessy on 087-6229172 or Pat Donegan on 083-8510423

### **EMO 100KM CYCLE**

On Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. in aid of Emo / Rath Senior Citizens. Starting and finishing at the Old School, Emo. 100km, 50km and Emo Family Short Run. 100km Cycle starts 10.30am / 50km cycle starts 11.30am – Cycle entry fee €20.

Family short run starts 11.45am – Entry Families €10 / Adults €5 / Juveniles €3. Refreshments served on return to the Old School. To support this event contact any of the Committee or there is a sponsorship card in Emo Shop and Ballybrittas Post Office.

### **FAMILY FUN WALK**

Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> Sept. (today) 5K Family Fun Walk in aid of Portarlinton Meals on Wheels. Registration at 12 Noon. Walk commences 12.30pm from Emo Community Centre. Sponsored by McGreal's Pharmacy. Donation box available on the day.

### **EYE TESTING**

Eye testing every Wed. Free to Medical Card holders. Book through McGreals - 057 8642920

### **PORTARLINGTON LEISURE CENTRE**

New course of Child & Adult Swimming Lessons now booking for Sept. Limited places in each level – Phone 057-8645800.

### **GARRYHINCH BRIDGE CLUB**

This season bridge starts on Mon. 18<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 7.45pm in Garryhinch Golf Club. New members welcome.

### **PORTARLINGTON BRIDGE CLUB**

Bridge season starts on Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 7.45pm in Garryhinch Golf Club.

### **SOCIAL DANCE CLASSES**

Social dance classes have commenced in St. Brigid's Community Centre, Cloneyhurke. No partner needed. Jive, waltz, quick step, foxtrot & more.

### **ST. BRIGID'S ACTIVE RETIREMENT**

#### **GARRYHINCH / CLONEYHURKE**

Resumes with BINGO on Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 7.30pm & the BOOK CLUB results on Wed. 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 8pm. All very welcome.

### **LAOIS AGE FRIENDLY INFORMATION**

#### **AFTERNOON**

Laois Public Participation Network in association with Laois County Council & Laois Older People's Forum are hosting Laois Age Friendly Information Afternoon on Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 3pm in the Killeshin Hotel, Portlaoise. There will be exhibitors providing information about the Fair Deal Scheme, nursing homes, legal advice, financial services, personal security, fire prevention, health/fitness and wellbeing and many more. At 6pm on the same evening the Launch of the Age Friendly Business Recognition Scheme will take place where 50 businesses from across County Laois will be presented with an Age Friendly Charter and relevant publicity material. The afternoon is open to all and refreshments will be provided.

### **LAOIS WATER SAFETY AUTUMN / WINTER**

#### **PROGRAMME 2017**

Adult & Junior Water Safety Classes. Safety/Rescue Programme. 12 Sessions at Portlaoise Leisure Centre, Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. for Juniors (12-15years) & Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. 9pm-10pm for Seniors & Adults (16 years plus). Cost: Juniors/Students: €60.00 Adults: €75.00 Students/Retired: €60. All programmes Irish Water Safety Certified & GAISCE Approved. Entry Requirement: Must be able to swim 25 metres (1 length). Call/Phone/Email: Laois Water Safety, C/O Laois County Council Sport & Leisure Section 057 8664058 [sports@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:sports@laoiscoco.ie)

### **CLASSICAL FLUTE LESSONS**

All levels catered for to exam level. Phone Magali on 089-4412929 or 057-8647056

### **SUAIMHNEAS AUTUMN PROGRAM**

Program of workshops planned over the coming months to help you live & embrace this wonderful time of year in a mindful & meaningful way.

#### **Workshops planned for Autumn 2017**

- *Mindfulness Meditation Practice – 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. 7.30-8.30pm & Thurs. 7.30-8.30pm.*
- *Work Support Avoid Burnout – 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10am-4.30pm – Designed specifically for Counsellor / Psychotherapists.*
- *Glimpses into the Mystery of the unfolding Universe - 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. 3-6pm*
- *'Let nothing be wasted' A guide to plastic free living & waste reduction in our homes. 10<sup>th</sup> Oct. 7.30-9pm.*
- *The Power of Now & A New Earth Awakening to Your Life's Purpose – 21<sup>st</sup> Oct. 10am-4.30pm.*
- *Mindful Christmas Workshop – 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. 10am-4.30pm.*  
Spaces limited so booking essential. Tea/Coffee & delicious home baking to look forward to. E-mail [info@suaimhneas.ie](mailto:info@suaimhneas.ie) or Phone 057 8626541.

### **SOCIAL SERVICES BINGO**

Weekly Bingo every Wednesday in Portarlinton Social Services Centre at 8.30pm.

### **HAPPY HEARTS CLUB**

Portarlinton Happy Hearts Club meet every Thurs. in Portarlinton Community Centre from 2pm-4pm. New & existing members welcome. Plenty of activities to suit both men and women.

### **BABY MASSAGE CLASS**

Next course starting Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10-11.30am for four weeks at Yogaland Studio, Portarlinton. Booking essential. Phone Catriona on 086-8890005.

### **BALLET CLASSES**

Royal Academy of Dance certified ballet classes every Wednesday in Portarlinton Community Centre. All welcome from toddlers to teens. For a free trial call 086-3025524.

### **LAOIS YOUTH THEATRE**

Laois Youth theatre are looking for new members aged 12 – 18 years. Joining Laois Youth Theatre is an opportunity to meet new people, make new friends, to learn new skills & gain confidence. Affiliation to Youth Theatre Ireland offers members the opportunity to take part in national workshops, master classes & exchange programmes. Weekly workshops commence Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. on a school term basis at Portlaoise Further Education & Training Centre, Tower Hill, Portlaoise from 5-6.30pm (12-14 years) and 7.8.30pm (15-18 years). Phone 057 8664033 or email [arts@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:arts@laoiscoco.ie) [www.laois.ie](http://www.laois.ie)

### **WOULD YOU KNOW IF SOMEONE WAS HAVING A STROKE?**

Recognising a stroke quickly can mean the difference between life and death or between a full recovery and lasting disability. **FAST**, a simple, four-letter acronym makes it easy to remember the signs that can save someone's life.

**F – Face** - Has their face fallen on one side? Can they smile?

**A – Arms** - Can they raise both arms and keep them there?

**S – Speech** - Is their speech slurred?

**T – Time to call 999** if you spot any of these signs. When you see any of these stroke warning signs, remember that minutes count. The average stroke destroys around 2 million brain cells every minute. Know the signs - **Act FAST.**

### **O'DEMPSEYS GAA 11.9.2017**

Numbers were: 11,12,19,22. No Jackpot or Match 3 winner this week. Promoter - Liam Finlay. Next week's Jackpot: €1,200.