

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 19TH JANUARY, 2020

World Day of Migrants & Refugees YEAR 'A'

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 20th Jan. 10am No Mass
 Tues. 21st Jan. 10am No Mass
 Wed. 22nd Jan. 10am No mass
 Thurs. 23rd Jan. 10am Betty Spain
 Fri. 24th Jan. 10am John & Kathleen Wright,
 Droughill

Saturday 18th January – 6.15pm

Patrick Bracken, St. Brigid's Sq. (4th Anniv.)
 Michael Murphy, Annamoe (4th Anniv.) & dec.
 members of the Murphy Family; Elizabeth
 Dempsey, Monasterevin (4th Anniv.); Seamus
 Dowling, Station Court (5th Anniv.); Frances
 Ellard, Clanmalire (10th Anniv.); Julia & Matt
 Colgan, Annamoe; Johnie & Mai Lalor,
 Cloneyhurke; Josie Lynch, Ballymorris; Charles
 & Margaret Fogarty & daughters Peggy & Ena.

Sunday 19th January - 12.15pm

Brigid Costello, Avondale (1st Anniv.);
 Pauline Hooks, Patrick St. (6th Anniv.); Brian
 Conroy, Avondale; Joseph & Ellen Bracken,
 Cloneygowan & sons Milo & J.J. Bracken & son-
 in-law Joe Dunne; Brian Higgins Jr.;
 Michael Dolan, St. Brigid's Square; Mary O'Neill,
 St. Brigid's Sq; Patrick & Una Mitchell, Bog Rd.
 & dec. members of the Mitchell Family

Saturday 25th January – 6.15pm

Brendan Carey, Lea (M.M.)
 Eileen Callanan, Lea Rd. (M.M.)
 Dolores Hunt, St. Joseph's Tce. (1st Anniv.)
 John Mitchell, NaCluainté; James Keenan,
 Patrick St; Joseph & Brigid Ryan, Kilmalogue;
 Ann Ryan, Ballymorris Road;
 Dr. Noreen & Dr. Bernard Honan, Cork;
 Margaret & Joseph Bredin, Dublin, James &
 Kathleen Walsh, Leah Youster,

Sunday 26th January – 12.15pm

Christy Smith, Ballymorris Rd. (M.M.)
 Esther Dunne, St. Michael's Pk. (M.M.)
 Rose Hoey, Kilbride (1st Anniv.); Tommy Hoey
 (8th Anniv.); Eamon O'Boyle, Church View;
 Michael Walsh, Cloneyhurke; Michael Webster
 (7th Anniv.), French Church St. & Dec. members
 of the Webster & Gaffney Family;
 Kevin Coogan, Station Road

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 19th January – 10.30am

Lily O'Neill, Rosecourt (M.M.)
 Catherine McGill, Ballycarroll (1st Anniv.)
 Thomas & Margaret Grattan; Jim & Christina
 Byrne & deceased members of the Grattan &
 Kiernan Families

Sunday 26th January – 10.30am

John Dunne, Rathmiles (4th Anniv.)
 James & Bridget Dunne, Rathmiles
 Patsy Connell, Lea (4th Anniv.)

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 18th January – 7.30pm

Brian Dunne, Portlaoise & Coolbanagher
 Martin & Elizabeth Kelly, Coolbanagher
 Thomas Flynn, Hand Rd., Morette (51st Anniv.)

Sunday 19th January – 11am

Danny Brophy, Killeen

Saturday 25th January – 7.30pm

Patrick Kirwan, Killimy Road

ANNIVERSARIES RATH

Sunday 19th January – 9am

Mary Duffy, Ballyadden
 Moira Donohoe, Ballyadden
 Tom Ryan, Bellgrove (3rd Anniv.)
 Paddy & Alice Dobbyn, Courtwood

BAPTISM

*We welcome into the Christian Community
 through Baptism*



PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Jamie Conor Fleming, Droughill
 Charlie Christopher Gerard Cullen, Landsdowne
 Katie Elizabeth Byrne, Sli na Móna

DECEASED

**Prayers are requested for the following
 who died during the week:-**

**Thomas (Tom) Murphy, Wicklow, formerly
 426 Annamoe (Son of the late Michael &
 Esther Murphy & brother of the Late Michael
 Murphy, Annamoe)**

WORD OF THANKS

Fr. Dooley thanks all who sympathised with
 him on the recent death of his mother,
 Bridget Dooley, those who came to the wake,
 attended at the funeral Mass and send Mass
 cards. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is
 greatly appreciated.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18th – 25th January 2020



Theme: "They showed us unusual kindness".
 (Acts 28:2). The theme stresses the unusual
 kindness given to St. Paul, something that must
 be seen in the quest for Christian unity.

LECTORS (READERS)

Portarlington

Sat. 25th Jan. 6.15pm Anita Donohoe
 Sun. 26th Jan. 9am Sadie Hainsworth
 12.15pm Sinead Dunne

Killenard

Sun. 26th Jan. 10.30am Laura Kealy

EMO

Sat. 25th Jan. 7.30pm Paula O'Rourke
 Sun. 26th Jan. 11am Doreen Dunne

Rath

Sun. 26th Jan. 9am Ted O'Loughlin

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

25th / 26th Jan. Killenard – Team A

Sheila Dunne / Johnny Carey /
 Teresa Briody

25th / 26th Jan. Portarlington – Team A

(See Rota)

DIOCESAN PRIESTS ASSEMBLY

Bishop Denis will lead a Kildare & Leighlin
 Diocesan Assembly of priests and deacons
 in Athlone Mon. 20th January – Wednesday
 22nd January (next week). How we
 ministered in the past and how we will
 minister in the future involves serious
 reflection. *There will be no 10am morning
 Mass on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
 in Portarlington this coming week.*
 Adoration on Tuesday as usual.

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES

PILGRIMAGE

2020



The 2020 Pilgrimage will take place from
 the **7th August 2020 for 7 nights**
 Full board Hotel Solitude. For booking &
 further details contact Marie on 087
 7589896 or Vera on 087 9311813, or,
 indeed, any member of the Committee.

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

Sunday 19th January, 2020

*"Migrants are our brothers and sisters
 in search of a better life,
 far away from the poverty,
 hunger, exploitation and
 the unjust distribution of
 the planets resources,
 which are meant to be
 equally shared by all."*



Pope Francis

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO**Results 13th January 2020**

Numbers 11, 12, 17, 18 – No jackpot winner.
 €25 to each of the following:-
 Liz Whelan C/o Pat Gorman
 Peter Donagher C/o Pat Gorman
 John Flynn C/o Maeve
 Betty & John Phelan C/o Maeve
 Ann Ahern C/o Colette
 Next Jackpot Mon. 13th January €5,400.

USED STAMPS

Used stamps needed for the missions.
 Drop them into Delaney's of Bracklone Street.

PORTARLINGTON G.R.O.W. GROUP

"GROW Community Mental Health Movement support group meets on Thursdays at 2.30pm in the Social Services Centre, Link Road. If you are lonely, isolated or suffering from stress why not come learn a practical psychology of mental health. Contact Assumpta 086-811 4135. Visit www.grow.ie. Info. line 1890 474 474
 GROW Promoting Positive Mental Health.

O'DEMPSEY'S G.A.A.**Lotto Results 13/01/2020.**

Numbers were: 02,13,21,25. No Jackpot winner or match 3 winners this week. Lucky Dip winners were - Neil Murray, Liam Nolan, Jim Phillips, Ciaran Gallagher. Promoter - Eddie Slevin. Next week's Jackpot: €2,200. Thanks for your continued support of our weekly Lotto.

Dinner Dance

O'Dempsey's GFC Dinner Dance will take place on Saturday 15th February in The Heritage Hotel, Killenard. Tickets are €40 for Adults and €25 for student players. Tickets are available from any committee member. Contact Louise 087-7854640 or Barry 087-7707511 for further information.

CONNECTED HEALTH

Official opening: Laois/Offaly office Mon. 20th Jan. at 2.30pm in Portarlinton Community Centre. All very welcome.

Carers needed - Laois: Carers needed in all areas of Laois. Pay €13- €15 per hour. Must have QQI Care of the Elderly & Care Skills completed. Also must be a driver. Work is in your local area. For further info. contact Lorraine on 087-9954567 or email lorraine.weldon@connected-health.ie

RAINBOWS PROGRAMME

Rainbows which is a support programme for Primary School children will commence at the beginning of February in the Presentation Primary School, Station Road. The programme consists of 9 sessions, one session weekly. Rainbows is a support programme for children who have experienced death, separation or are struggling through a painful experience. If you are interested in finding out more information, or to have your child or children take part in this programme, contact Ursula on 057-8623007. Application forms are available from the school reception (Presentation Primary School, Station Road) Mon. - Fri. 9am-2.30pm (school hours).

MOUNTMELICK DRAMA GROUP

Present "The Hen Night Epiphany"
 Community Arts Centre, Mountmellick on Thurs. 6th, Fri. 7th & Sat. 8th Feb. commencing 8pm sharp. Tickets €10 available on the door
 Dates for Diary: " Professional Help" by Ken Bourke in conjunction with the Launch of the 30th Annual Drama Festival - Mountmellick Drama Festival 2020 - 6th -13th March inclusive

STUDY THEOLOGY ONLINE

Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register now for Spring 2020. enquiries@priorityinstitute.com
priorityinstitute.com 01 4048124.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2017**26th January – 2nd February 2020**

Theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is:-
 "Living in harmony with God's creation".
Resources available on www.catholicschools.ie

PRAYER FOR OUR DIOCESE

Lord, bless the faith community of Kildare & Leighlin which traces its origins to Brigid, Conleth and Laserian. May it be outstanding in charity as St. Brigid of Kildare, may it be constant in faith as St. Conleth of Old Connell, wise and prayerful as St. Laserian of Leighlin. Bless its Bishop, priests, deacons, religious and laity. Fill them with the light of your love. Bless its young people. Help them to seek the truth. Bless all who are poor or weak or wounded by life's hurts. Grant them justice, light and hope. Sin é ár nguí tré Críost ár dTiarna. Amen

DAY OF PRAYER

Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Adoration Committee invite you to a Day of Prayer. Mass, Adoration, Rosary, sharing and music taking place in Carlow College on **Sat. 25th Jan. 2020** commencing 10am Refreshments served.

AN SPIORAID NAOIMH PRAYING COMMUNITY

Praise and Worship Meeting takes place in St. Peter & Paul's Church, Portlaoise on Sat. 25th Jan. commencing 10.40am – 12.15pm. Rosary, praise & worship with music ministry. Topic: Praying for healing.
 Spiritual Director Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill.
 Contact Michael Nerney for Details 086-8157305
 All are welcome

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

MedJugorje Group Pilgrimage 22nd – 29th July 2020. Cost €645. Direct Flight To Mostar reduces journey by three hours. Booking after 1st Feb. 2020 cost €695. Spiritual Director Fr. Sean Hyland. Contact Michael Nerney on 086-8157305 further info. & for booking.

BABY MASSAGE CLASS

Next course starting Monday 20th January and continues for the following three Mondays, 27th January, 3rd February and 10th February from 10am to 11.30am at Yogaland Studio Portarlinton. Booking essential. For more details contact: Catriona 086 8890005

ANNUAL CHARITY BALL

Friday 28th Feb. 2020 at the Heritage Hotel in Killenard. The charity this year will be The Laois / Offaly Palliative Care. Please support these wonderful nurses and the great work they do.
 To book a ticket / table contact: Marie 087 7589896 / Colette 086 2654277 / Maria 086 3058181 or call to Saoirse Care Shop (beside Burbage's Supermarket), Portarlinton.

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, I phones, Messenger, Viber, Whatsapp, Memory Sticks, Music, Photos, Word, Excel etc
 Contact [086-3034540](tel:086-3034540)

COUNSELLING SERVICE

Private Counsellor available in the Glenard Clinic, Mountmellick on Mondays. For appointments contact Sean on 087-9117509.
 "It's okay not to be okay". Come and talk.

THANK YOU

Colm Hogan of Tocaire offers sincere thanks to the people of the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin for their Lenten 2019 / 20 donations which amounted to €249,078.47 – Your generosity was greatly appreciated & Tocaire look forward to your continued support.

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB**CLONEYHURKE**

Social dance will take place Sat. 25th Jan from 9.30pm – 12.30am. Music by SOLITARE. Venue: The Community Hall. Adm. €10. Refreshments served.

CLONEYHURKE ENROLMENT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2020 / 2021

Cloneyhurke NS is now accepting applications for Junior Infants for September 2020. Forms available directly from the school or email cloneyhurkens@gmail.com.

B SHARP STUDIOS

B Sharp Studios, Portarlinton Music School. Register anytime. Voice and Music lessons in all instruments for all levels and ages. Free trial in the following: DRUMS, GUITAR, AND PIANO and many more instruments. For more information contact: Conor 086-1639153
 Keith 085-7516595.

ROCKING RASCALS

B Sharp Studios new music group for 4 to 8 year olds. Group singing, dance, drama and instrument introduction for children. To gain confidence in a fun active way to the world of music. Booking essential. Limited availability. Hour long sessions.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MOUNT ST ANNE'S, KILLENARD, PORTARLINGTON**Lá Fhéile Bhríde**

Celebrating our Celtic Consciousness
 Sat. 1st Feb. from 10am-3.30pm. Brigid, champion of peace, justice and hope, invites us to connect with the sacred ordinariness of this world and our daily lives. Through practical and reflective methods, we explore the intuitive and creative aspects of our own spiritual being. Facilitated by Ms. Geraldine Faherty. Cost: €40 (includes materials)

Prayerful Meditation Day

Sat. 7th March 10am-3.30pm. A day designed to offer a space for you to relax, pray, think and feel in our beautiful peaceful surroundings. Booking is essential. Facilitated by Sr. Anne Kearney. Cost: €25
Contact Catherine on 057-8626153
 For further details and booking.

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB**LOTTO RESULTS**

7th Jan. 2020 – Letters N, C, V, J
 No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following Luke Carey-Kelly & Emma Brennan. Sellers prize Lorcan Carey. Next draw will take place on 21st January in the Barrow Lodge – JACKPOT €10,000

PORTARLINGTON SOCIAL SERVICES A.G.M.

Portarlinton Social Services / Meals on Wheels takes place Friday 24th Jan. at 7.30pm in the Social Services Centre, Link Road. We invite those who are interested in joining our Committee to come along and see what we do. Last year we cooked and delivered over 7,000 meals. Delivery people always needed.

Senior Citizens Bingo

Wed. 5th Feb. at 8.30pm. Looking forward to seeing our regulars & hoping to see new people. Lovely social night for all.

WANTED

Old wicker / hamper baskets unwanted. Preferably in good condition. Needed to make spot prizes in aid of Cancer Charity (Fisherstown Tractor Run). Also old biscuit tins / sweet tins for collecting money in.
 Could you leave into Ballybrittas Service Station.