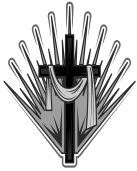


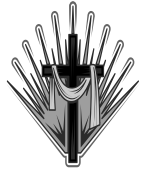


# PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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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.

**DIOCESE** [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie) **SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline:** 116 123 Email: [jo@samaritans.org](mailto: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.

### Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am Sun.



## CELEBRATION OF MASS VIA WEBCAM

Link to live streaming from  
St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

[www.mcnlive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington](http://www.mcnlive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington)



Portarlington & Emo Parish  
@EmoParish

## SUN. 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2025

## EASTER SUNDAY

## YEAR C

### WEEKEND MASSES PORTARLINGTON

#### Sat. 19<sup>th</sup> April 9pm Vigil Mass

Paddy O'Brien, Lea Rd. (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.); Cecelia Broughan, St. Brigid's Sq. (7<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Tom & Mary Byrne & dec. members of the Byrne & Larke families, Cloneyhurke; Mai & Johnie Lalor, Cloneyhurke; Peter (Pini) Dunne

#### Sun. 20<sup>th</sup> April 12.15pm – Easter Sunday

Moll O'Reilly, Avondale (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.); Norman Morton, Patrick's Tce. (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.); Ted Mc Kenna, Cloneyhurke; James & Alice Brennan; Daniel (DJ) & Mary Brennan; Dec. members of the Brennan Family, French Church St. Paddy McGuinness, Avondale (8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Edward, Mary, Dessie, Eamonn & Joe Shortall; Phyllis Hallissey (nee Shortall); Carmel Keogh (nee Shortall), St. Michael's Park; James & Margaret Dunne, Tinnecrannagh

#### Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> April 6.15pm

Frank Higgins, Annamoe (M.M.); John Geoghegan, Cushina (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.); Patrick Geoghegan Jnr. & Patrick Geoghegan Snr; Helen Hanlon, Gracefield (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.); Jimmy Hanlon, Gracefield (5<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Ann Ward, Bracknagh (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.); Amanda Knight, St. Joseph's Tce; Jim Shortall, Bracklone St. (29<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Johnny Whelan, Bishopswood (36<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Milo Bracken, Avondale (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

#### Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> April 12.15pm

Sean Moran, Droughill; Tom & Bridie McNulty, Droughill; John & Eileen Hickey, The Square; Liam Hickey, The Square; Kitty Sheerin

### ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

#### Sun. 20<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am – Easter Sunday

Brenda Dempsey, Clanmalire; Michael Keogh Derryvilla; Terry Culletton & dec. members of the Culletton Family, Tierhogar

#### Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am

Sean Fallon, Lea Rd. (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.); Elizabeth Donnelly, Killenard & Bridget Donnelly, Monasterevin; Phil O'Hara, Killenard; Peter Maher, Ballintogher; Maurice Dalton & Ann Fox Dalton; Terry Behan, Tierhogar

### WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARY PORT.

**Mon. 21<sup>st</sup> April** Thomas & Ellen McEvoy, St. Michael's Park

**Tues. 22<sup>nd</sup> April** Michael & Betty Spain

**Wed. 23<sup>rd</sup> April** Dan Dargan, Carn (M.M.); Maureen Murnane, USA; Daniel & Kathleen Hayden, St. Brigid's Square

**Thurs. 24<sup>th</sup> April** Deceased members of the Deegan Family, Kilcappa

### ANNIVERSARIES EMO

#### Sat. 19<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm – Easter Vigil

Tiernan Whyte, Killimy; Peter Burke, Ashgrove (35<sup>th</sup> Anniv.), Grandson Alan Burke, Ashgrove, (35<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

#### Sun. 20<sup>th</sup> April 11am - Easter Sunday

Johnny & Gerard O'Connor, Rossmore, Vicarstown; Deceased members of the Lawlor Family, Shane

#### Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm

Dan Dargan, Carn (M.M.); Mary Langford, Emo (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.); Frank Langford, Emo (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); John & Betty Doonan, Bellgrove; Patrick & Benny Connolly, Killimy, Marie Moore, (nee Connolly), Emo

### ANNIVERSARIES RATH

#### Sun. 20<sup>th</sup> April 9am – Easter Sunday

William (Bill) Flynn, Courtwood (5<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); William Brennan, Jamestown; Brigid Thorpe, Rathangan; Thomas, Margaret, Syl & Elizabeth Mullen, Corrig; Dec. members of Mullen Family; Rose & Paddy Dunne, Coolroe, Grandson, Brendan Stone (Recently deceased) Peter Burke, Ashgrove, & his Grandson Alan Burke, Ashgrove; Joe Flynn, Monasterevin

### EASTER COLLECTION FOR THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

The Easter Collection for the Priests of the Parish takes place this weekend. Envelopes are available in your development boxes and also at the Church porches. Any cheque payments for this collection please make payable to Portarlington Clergy Fund or Emo Clergy Fund. Sincere thanks for all your support to the Parishes of Emo & Portarlington.

### DECEASED

Please pray for the following who died recently:-

**Sheila Monagher (nee Kelly), Orchard Drive**  
**James (Jim) Hearty, New Mill Court**  
**Bridie Higgins, Annamoe**  
**Andy Armstrong, Roscrea, (Brother of Josie Hanlon)**

The Priests of the Parish  
wish all  
Parishioners a  
Happy & Holy  
Easter



## EASTER SUNDAY

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*Easter Sunday is the 'Feast of feasts', a day of joy & happiness as we celebrate the resurrection of Christ.*



### LORD OF ALL LIFE

*You are our hope & our joy,  
Our source of true happiness.  
We have journeyed to Easter  
& in the most difficult of trials  
we have renewed our baptism  
& proclaimed your resurrection.  
We embrace with gladness the new life  
to which you call each one of us.  
Bless us, our families & all the world,  
with your constant presence &  
protection.*

*May we give you thanks every day  
& share the good news of our faith  
with all we meet.*

*And may the light of our Easter faith  
guide our footsteps in your ways of  
love, peace & truth.*

*Through Christ our Lord.*

**AMEN**

*In Easter joy we proclaim, Christ is risen!  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

If you have Holy Water, use it to bless yourself as you make the Sign of the Cross.

### BLESSED EASTER WATER

**BOTTLES OF BLESSED EASTER WATER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TAKE HOME FROM ALL CHURCHES FROM EASTER SUNDAY**



**TROCAIRE**  
Working for a Just World

All Trocaire boxes should be returned at Holy Thursday & Good Friday ceremonies or Easter weekend. Please do not leave the Trocaire boxes on the seats or around the Church.



## BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through baptism

Zach Seamus Denis Raleigh-Gorman,  
Rathleash

### CEMETERY MASS 2025

Killenard – Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> July – 7.30pm  
Portarlington - Fri. 11<sup>th</sup> July – 7.30pm  
Emo New Cemetery – Fri. 18<sup>th</sup> July – 7.30pm

### DO YOU THINK THAT GOD MAY BE CALLING YOU TO THE PRIESTHOOD?

Would you like to meet with others who are exploring a call? Would you like to explore how to discover God's will for your life? Then the Samuel Circle is for you! The Circle is a group who meet regularly to try and discern God's plan for them in life. If you are interested contact Fr. Ruairi ruairiodomhnaill@gmail.com

### PORTARLINGTON PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Pilgrimage to Lourdes is from Tues. 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Tues. 29<sup>th</sup> July. 7 nights in Hotel Solitude – Full Board. €1,195 pps. Single room supplement €294. Deposit of €200 secures a seat. Further information contact Marie on 087 7589896

### ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB, CLONEYHURKE - R32 CY89

Next **SOCIAL DANCE** 26<sup>th</sup> April. Music by Lawrence Campion. Doors open 9pm. Adm. €10. Refreshments served. **KEEP FIT:** Wed. & Fri. With Eimear 7-8pm €5 each night. **DANCING LESSONS** Thurs. Nights with Noeleen 7.30-9pm. All kinds of dancing. €10 each night.

### BREAK AWAY TO GALWAY

Mon. 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. to Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025. Staying at the Clayton Hotel / 4 nights B&B & Dinner. Touring each day, Bingo each night after dinner, music in hotel on two nights. Cost €569 pps. Leaving Walsh Island on the morning with pick ups in Portarlington, Cloneygowan and Tullamore. Contact Tina Murphy on 087 9476960 / Jackie Sherman on 085 1528395 or Betty Corcoran on 087 7805940 for further information and booking.

### LIVE WEEK EXPO

23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025 12.30pm -6pm in Portlaoise College. Over 100 exhibitors offering Health and Wellness advice and information. Inspiring Live Talks & Expert Demonstrations. Fun music and Dance performances.

Special guest Anna May McHugh (Laois Age Friendly Ambassador). Free admission and refreshments. Further info. contact Tom Curran on 086 0363426 / Emma on 086 0665215 or Email [livewell@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:livewell@laoiscoco.ie).

### LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGES 2025

#### Three Day Pilgrimage

In the tradition of prayer, fasting & keeping vigil. Fri. 30<sup>th</sup> May – Fri. 15<sup>th</sup> August. General Adm: €85 / Students & Seniors €75.

#### One Day Retreat

A day of guided prayer & reflection  
May 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>  
August 19<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>  
September: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>  
Email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) / Phone 071 9861518  
[www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

### SOCIAL TENNIS FOR ADULTS 50+

At Portarlington Lawn Tennis Club on Mondays from 12 noon. Non-members welcome. Rackets and balls provided. Booking not required.

### THE SUNRISE DAWN MASS

Easter Sunday – 20<sup>th</sup> April at 7am in the grounds of Moore Abbey, Monasterevin. All very welcome.



The Parish Office will be closed from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

### DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATIONS

Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations will be held in Moore Abbey Chapel, Monasterevin on Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> April. All are invited and welcome to attend. Celebrations commence with confession at 2pm and Mass at 3pm.

### REFLECTION

#### "Death Overcome"

As long as the sun comes over the hills,  
scatters the darkness, and fills the world  
with light;

As long as the fields get green again,  
and the primroses and violets return;  
As long as the trees fill up again with leaves,  
there is hope for us and for the world.

So come, let us follow the footsteps  
of spring, for the snow has melted,  
and life is awakening from its sleep  
and wanders through the hills and valleys.

Come, let us ascend the heights  
and gaze upon the waving greenness  
of the plains below.

O come, let us rejoice on this Easter Day,  
for death has folded up his tent and  
gone away.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

#### ST. PAUL'S N.S., EMO

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11am in  
St. Paul's Church, Emo.

#### PRESENTATION PRIMARY SCHOOL

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11.30am in  
St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

#### SCOIL NAOMH EOIN, KILLENARD

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11.30am in  
St. John's Church, Killenard.

#### SCOIL PHADRAIG / CLONEYHURKE NS / SANDY LANE NS

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11.30am in  
St. Michael's Church, Portarlington.

#### SACRED HEART N.S., RATH

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 at 11.30am in  
Church of the Sacred Heart, Rath

### PORTARLINGTON CREDIT UNION

#### APRIL MEMBER PRIZE DRAW WINNERS

€10,000 Angela Rice / €2,000 each to Leona Dwane & to Niamh Kiernan / €1,000 each to Aisling O'Brien and to Gillian Treacy. €500 to each of the following:- Anita Leavy / Julia Byrne / Ousman Jallow / Narinder Kaur / Elizabeth Lawlor Kelly / Tony Sloan / Michelle Houlihan / Jake O'Neill / Patrick & Esther O'Neill / Mitchell Ryan / Teresa Colgan / Aidan Bryan / Katie Fanning.

### O'DEMPSEY'S GFC NEWS

#### Lotto Results:

Numbers drawn 14th April: 4,13,24,27. No Jackpot winner. No Match 3 winner. Lucky dip winners: Margaret Behan, Fionn Terry. Promoter: Michael Finlay. Next Draw: Tuesday 22nd April 2025. Jackpot €5,500. Thanks for your continued support.

### CLUB MASS:

O'Dempsey's GFC will be holding our Annual Club Mass for present, past, sick and deceased members of the club at the clubhouse on Friday the 2nd of May at 7:30pm. All members past and present are welcome and encouraged to attend. Refreshments available afterwards..

## 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 BOFII2D

#### 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 BOFII2D

#### Emo Church No. 1 Account

IBAN - IE16 BOFI 9018 1051 4302 54

#### Emo Parish Clergy Fund Account

IBAN: IE34 BOFI 9018 1022 2378 77

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### EMO – RATH PARISH LOTTO

Week. No. 1974 – Date: 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
Numbers 1, 2, 11, 23 – No Jackpot winner.  
€25 each to: Cathy Corcoran C/o Majella;  
Declan O'Mahony C/o Emo GAA; Kathleen  
Wilson C/o Mena; Tony & Fiona Keane C/o  
Rose; Davy Walsh C/o Bernie Gorman  
Next draw takes place 28<sup>th</sup> April with a  
Jackpot of €2,600.

### ADORATION BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every  
Tuesday after 10am Mass concluding with  
the Rosary at 7pm.

### GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB

Date 14<sup>th</sup> April – Week No. 16.  
Numbers 26, 13, 28, 32 – No jackpot winner.  
€50 each to:- Antoinette Comerford; Fiona  
O'Connor; Billy Murphy; Sabina Bulatov; Joe  
McAteer. Promoter prize: Breda Flanagan.  
Next week's Jackpot is 4,600.

### MUM DANCE FITNESS DANCE CLASS

For women. Music 80's & 90's inspired.  
Wednesday nights 7pm in Portarlington  
Community Centre. Full details & bookings  
phone Marian on 086 8857116.

### O'DEMPSEY'S GFC

Juveniles back training: Check out our  
social media and the O'Dempsey's App for  
all the details of training times and mentor  
contact details. U5s up to U17s, new &  
returning players always welcome.

### THE RELICS OF PADRE PIO

Visit to Holycross Abbey, Thurles, Tipperary.  
Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> May: 10am Mass / 10.45am  
Veneration / 12 Noon Rosary & Veneration /  
6pm Evening Prayer / 6.30pm Veneration.  
Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> May: 9am Veneration / 11am  
Sunday Mass / 12 Noon Veneration.  
St. Pio National Pilgrimage  
1.30pm Rosary / 2pm Stations of the Cross /  
2.40pm Anointing of the Sick / 3pm Mass in  
honour of St. Pio / 4pm Veneration / 7pm  
Evening prayer & Farewell.

### PORTARLINGTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

A new Singing Project - Find your voice and  
let it shine. Join us in singing some favourite  
modern & classic tunes in harmony together  
with a friendly & experienced singing teacher  
to guide us. Starting with 5 sessions from  
Tues. April 29<sup>th</sup> with a view to resuming in  
the autumn & building a great community  
choir. We will be meeting in the Social  
Services Centre (Meals on Wheels Centre)  
Tues. April 29<sup>th</sup> from 7pm until 8.15pm, &  
every second Tuesday thereafter up until  
June. All ages and ability levels welcome.  
Further info. 089 2460778 or  
[portcommunitychoir@gmail.com](mailto:portcommunitychoir@gmail.com)