



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.

DIOCESAN WEBSITE www.kandle.ie SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline: 116 123 Email: jo@samaritans.org ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 087 7640557
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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 21st January 2018 ✕ **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** ✕ **Year B**

ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 22nd Jan. 10am ---
Tues. 23rd Jan. 10am ---
Wed. 24th Jan. 10am ---
Thurs. 25th Jan. 10am ---
Fri. 26th Jan. 10am Rachel & James Kelly, Co. Antrim & Portarlington

Saturday 20th January – 6.15pm

Patrick Bracken, St. Brigid's Sq. (2nd Anniv.); Elizabeth Dempsey, Monasterevin & St. Mary's Tce. (2nd Anniv.); Seamus Dowling, Station Court, (3rd Anniv.); Frances Ellard (8th Anniv.); John Mitchell, NaCluainte; Shirley Hoey, Botley Court; William & Brigid Hoey, St. Mary's Tce; Michael Murphy Jr. Annamoe; Michael & Esther Murphy, Annamoe; Ann Ryan, Ballymorris Road; Josephine (Josie) Lynch, Kilbride, Brian Higgins, Patrick St.; Matt & Julia Colgan, Annamoe

Sunday 21st January – 12.15pm

John Lynch, Kilbride (M.M.)
Eileen Nolan, Congress Terrace (M.M.)
Pauline Hooks, Patrick St. (4th Anniv.)
Joseph & Ellen Bracken, Cloneygowan & sons Milo & JJ Bracken; Son-in-Law Joe Dunne Pa & Una Mitchell, Bog Rd. & deceased members of the Mitchell Family; Mary O'Neill, St. Brigid's Sq; Kathleen Roche, Santry, Dublin formerly Ballacolla

Saturday 27th January – 6.15pm

James Keenan, Patrick St; Jim & Bridget Ryan & sons John and Tommy Ryan; Joe Horan, Church View; Jack & Christina McCormack, Ullard; Johnnie & Mai Lalor, Cloneyhurke

Sunday 28th January – 12.15pm

Eamon O'Boyle, Church View; Michael Dolan, St. Brigid's Sq; Veronica Mooney, Whitefields & Dublin; Michael Walsh, Cloneyhurke; Michael Webster, French Church St;

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 28th January – 10.30am

John Dunne, Rathmiles (2nd Anniv.)
Patsy Connell, Lea (2nd Anniv.)
Bridget & James Dunne, Rathmiles

KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2018

K & L Diocesan Pilgrimage leaving 16th July 2018 for 5 nights. The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Denis Nulty. €739 per person sharing. If interested contact Joe Walsh Tours on 01 2410802 or email info@joewalshstours.ie

DECEASED

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



Kathleen Costello, Bracklone Street
Liam Hickey, Market Square

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 20th January – 7.30pm

Brian Dunne, Fieldbrook, Portlaoise & Coolbanagher; Elizabeth Kelly, Coolbanagher

Saturday 27th January – 7.30pm

Kathleen Keegan, Lough (M.M.)
Thomas Flynn, Hand Rd. (49th Anniv.)
James Hyland, Limetree;
Elizabeth & Fintan Duff, Limetree;
William & Kathleen Byrne, Killimy.
Michael & Elizabeth Moore, Morette,

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 21st January – 9am

Tom Ryan, Bellgrove (1st Anniv.)
Mary Duffy, Ballyadden
Moira Donohoe, Ballyadden, Joe & Julia Connell and their Grandson Joseph Brigid Burke, Ashgrove;
Brian Conroy, Avondale

Sunday 28th January – 9am

Liam Tynan, The Canal, Fisherstown (2nd Anniv.)

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:-

PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Tadhg Henderson, Sandy Lane
Conor Michael Christie-Hoey,
Kilmalogue Lawns

Chloe Sarah Dowling-Monaghan,
Millbrook Manor

Seán Gary Keogh-Grincell, Station Court

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to the following couples who were married recently:-



Portarlington Parish

Shane Jacob, Station Grove
& Noreen Cash, Kilbride

Brendan Clarke, Bailieborough
& Susan Smith, Shandra

Geremiah Long, Holy Cross, Tipperary
& Brid Maher, Ballintogher

Niall Tobin, Shankill, Dublin
& Alison McCormack, Ballycarroll

Declan Conroy, Portlaoise
& Tara Higgins, Ballymorris

Anthony Byrne, Portlaoise

& Fidelma Raleigh, Rathleash, Killenard

Emo Parish

Paul Dunne, Coolbanagher
& Arlene Ruane, Portlaoise

Terence Burke, Monasterevin
& Clare Curran, Naas

Brian Dooley, Ballycullane
& Miriam Delaney, Mountrath

Seamus Harte, Athboy

& Susan Matthews, Woodbrook

LECTORS

27th / 28th January 2018

PORTARLINGTON: 6.15pm Margaret Doyle /
9am Sadie Hainsworth

12.15pm Noel Brennan

KILLENARD: 10.30am Jackie Hogan

EMO: 7.30pm Emmet Conroy

11am Ann Deering

RATH: 9am Aileen Doyle

EUCHRISTIC MINISTERS

27th & 28th January 2018

Portarlington: Team D / Killenard: Team C

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration is held every Tuesday in St. Michael's Church after 10am Mass until 7pm.

ADORATION GROUP - Portarlington & Emo

As part of the Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration Committee you are invited to a Prayer Day on Sat. 27th Jan. in the Parish Centre, Portlaoise commencing 10am. It will include Mass, a guided Holy Hour of Adoration, Hymns, prayers, a cuppa & time for a chat. This Prayer Day is organised to support and to thank the Adoration centres. If you wish to attend, phone Margaret on 086-3149610.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

18th – 25th January 2018 "Theme – Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power"

PROTECT THE 8TH

Winning the Pro Life Argument

Speakers: Kate Lawlor / Paddy Manning & Michael Dwyer. Venue: The Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow. Mon. 22nd January at 7.30pm.

ALZHEIMERS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

The Alzheimer society of Ireland Laois Branch are holding a Social Club in Portlaoise Parish Centre 2:30-4:30 on the 25th January.

Our Social Club is open to people with dementia and their families as an informal get-together. Further information phone Ann on 0868372168.

EMO PARISH ENVELOPES

The envelope boxes are being distributed at the moment. Boxes also available at the Church porches. The boxes contain weekly collection envelopes & special collection envelopes. This contribution goes towards the upkeep of schools, churches & parish buildings. Thank all who contributed during the past year.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Medjugorje Pilgrimage 3rd to 10th Oct. €689 PPS. Discount of €50 applies if booked by 1st Feb. Seven nights pilgrimage package inclusive, departing Dublin to Dubrovnik. Contact Michael Nerney on 086-8157305.

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The 2018 Pilgrimage will take place from the **8th to the 15th August 2018**
7 nights full board Hotel Solitude. Price €799 per person sharing. For booking contact Marie on 087 7589896 or Vera on 087 9311813, or, indeed, any member of the Committee.

INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

St. Patrick's College, Carlow is running an Introduction to Psychology Evening Course from 1st Feb. – 8th March every Thurs. from 7-9pm. Further info. contact: Alison Brennan, E:AHayden@CarlowCollege.ie, T: 059 91 53200, or see www.CarlowCollege.ie.

PORTARLINGTON GROW GROUP

"GROW Community Mental Health Movement support group meets every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Jobs Club, Oriel House, Upper Main Street. If you are lonely, isolate or suffering from stress, come learn practical psychology of mental health. Contact John 0868033126. Visit www.grow.ie.

PARENTS FIRST - Volunteers needed!

Would you be interested in volunteering with Parents First for 1-2 hours each week? We are looking for parents or grandparents to pass on their valuable knowledge and experience in bringing up children. Phone Dolores or Mary at 057 9322996 / 086 1959221.

SAMARITANS

Samaritans support lines are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, offering non-judgmental and confidential support whenever you need us. Free-phone 116123, Text 087 2609090 or Email jo@samaritans.org

PORTARLINGTON G.A.A.

Combined Social Lotto: Tickets on sale every week with the Jackpot up to €12,000.

All County Draw Tickets: Now available with 4 monthly draws. Prize money of €100,000. Tickets €130 (can be paid in installments), available from any Committee Member.

BABY MASSAGE CLASSES

Next course starting Monday 22nd January from 10am-11.30am for 4 weeks at Yogaland Studio, Portarlinton. Booking essential. For more details contact: Catriona 086-8890005.

FREE HEARING AID TRIAL / FREE EYE TEST

Call into McGreals Hearing Centre at McGreals Pharmacy, Kilnacourt for your FREE hearing aid trial. Also Free Eye Test. Ph: 1890 92 92 59 www.mcgreals.ie

NEW YEAR - NEW YOU

New Fitness Classes - Unit 6 – Portarlinton Business Park – Instructor Karol James. All fitness levels welcome. Mon. 9am – 9.45am - Wed. & Fri. 8pm – 8.45pm. €5 per class pay as you go / €12.50 per week (3 classes) / €45 per month (12 classes). Booking essential – Places limited. Phone 086-3771154.

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION PRACTICE

Evenings at Suaimhneas with Anne & Mai.

Practice sessions have resumed on Thursday and will continue every Thursday evening from 7.30-8.30pm. These evenings give participants an opportunity to practice different approaches to meditation. Cost €5 includes refreshments and delicious home baking. Spaces are limited so booking is essential. Phone 057-8626541 or Email info@suaimhneas.ie

PORT SOCIAL SERVICES AGM

Have you time to spare? Have you an interest in joining our Committee? Then why not come along to our AGM and meet our Committee & see what is involved. AGM takes place on Friday January 26th at 7.30pm in the Social Services Centre Link Road.



NEW YEARS RESOLUTION

Why not join the Choir?

We are in St. Michael's Church at the 9am Mass every Sunday. All very welcome to come along and join in.

EMO / RATH PARISH LOTTO 15/1/2018

Numbers: 12, 14, 15, 17
No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following:- Annmarie Lowry C/o Ann Lowry; Elizabeth McNamara C/o Elizabeth; Majella Corcoran, Courtwood; Francis Duffy C/o F. Duffy; Martin Crowley C/o Hilary
Next jackpot €12,200

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

Registration Notice: Registration for all WMOF2018 events is open via www.worldmeeting2018.ie Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main three-day WMOF2018 Congress from August 22nd – 24th, guaranteeing your ticket(s) for the Festival of Families on Sat. 25th August and for the Closing Mass on Sun. 26th August. Don't miss out on these once in a generation events. REGISTER NOW! www.worldmeeting2018.ie
Volunteering for WMOF2018:
The World Meeting of Families 2018 will attract thousands of Irish and International pilgrims. Organising it and seeing it through will only be possible with the help of thousands of volunteers. Why not make volunteering for WMOF2018 a New Year's resolution for 2018? You can sign up on www.worldmeeting2018.ie / email volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie or phone (01) 5676800.

ELOCUTION, SPEECH & DRAMA CLASSES

A unique & fun way to learn the art of communication. End of Year performance, Dunamais Theatre, Sun. 25th March. Students help each other to grow and develop, encourage each other in confidence building and self-expression. Classes will be held in the Community Hall, Rath after school on Tuesdays & on Wednesdays in the Leisure Centre, Portarlinton at 4pm & 5pm
Further info. & to register contact contact Anita 0862478052 or email ceiltissd@hotmail.com

KILLENARD VILLAGE

With regard to the development of a sustainable Community Development Plan for Killenard, a Public Workshop / Meeting will be held in the Community Centre on Wed. 24th January at 8pm. All are welcome.

WELLNESS AWARENESS NIGHT - CARLOW

Wellness Awareness Night at Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow Wed. 24th Jan. at 7.30pm. Sponsored by Talk it Over Service Carlow. Guest speakers Francis Black, Singer and addiction counsellor, Mark Morrissey, Exercise for wellbeing, Tony O'Neill, Psychotherapist and Linda Thorpe, Mental Health. Admission free. 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 086-3034540

MOUNTMELICK DRAMA FESTIVAL

FUNDRAISER

Table Quiz will be held in the Druid, Mountmellick on Fri. 26th January commencing 9pm. Table of 4 - €20.00
Quizmaster :Michael Lenihan
Your Support would be greatly appreciated.

BINGO

Bingo will resume on Wednesday February 7th at 8.30pm in the Social Services Centre.

PORTARLINGTON & KILLENARD

CHARITY BALL

This fabulous night of the year is fast approaching – February 2018 in the Heritage Hotel, Killenard. Proceeds are in aid of Portarlinton Senior Citizens. To book your ticket or a table of friends, please contact: Marie 087-7589896 / Colette 086-2654277 / Maria 086-3058181.
A great night is guaranteed!

ENROLMENT TO SCHOOLS

Scoil Naomh Eoin - Killenard

Enrolment forms available from the School Reception. Closing date for enrolment is Fri. 26th Jan. at 5pm.

Presentation Primary School – Station Road

Collect a form to request an enrolment available from the Junior School Office until the 31st January 9am – 1pm.

St. Paul's National School – Emo

Now accepting enrolments for the 2018 – 2019 school year. If you require an application form, please phone the office on 057-8646868 between 9am and 1pm or E-mail secretary@emons.ie. Closing date for applications is Friday 26th January.

KILBRIDE ART GROUP

Catering for Students / Adults

Art classes recommence as follows:
Mon. 22nd / Tues. 23rd & Wed. 24th Jan. from 10am–12 noon. A course of 12 Art Classes will take place commencing in January 2017. We cater for beginners & advanced students, using all mediums. Also available are sketching & drawing classes. Phone Una on 086-2392997.

O'DEMPSEY'S GAA

Lotto Results 15th Jan.

Numbers were: 09,13,20,24. No Jackpot winner.

Next week's Jackpot: €4400.

Dinner Dance: Annual Dinner Dance will take place on Sat. 10th Feb. at 7.30pm in The Ballesteros Suite, The Heritage Resort Clubhouse, Killenard. Entertainment provided by DJ Mark Neilon. Tickets are €35. Contact Barry 087-7707511 or Louise 087-785640

Calendar: A limited edition of our 2018 Club Calendar are still on sale for €5. On sale at the Lotto draw each Monday night from 9pm or by contacting Barry 087-7707511 /Paul 087-6615586.

2018 All County Clubs Members Draw

Tickets are currently on sale. This is the Club's primary revenue sources with O'Dempsey's GAA taking home close to 3/4's of the purchase price. Contact any Club member for more information.

ARLINGTON A.F.C.

Under14 girl football training Wednesdays 6-7 in Portarlinton Community Centre
New players are welcome.

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB

Juvenile: Juvenile indoor hurling will recommence Thurs. 25th Jan. or another 6 week programme in Port GAA hall from 7pm to 8pm. This is for U11yrs down, cost €3 per child... beginners are welcome, huris and helmets provided. 6 week Skills Development Course for football players that are turning 12, 13 and 14 yrs old in 2018. Started Mon Jan 15th in the Port Community Centre from 7-8pm. Cost is €3 per player... new players welcome. U17 Football Training has commenced, Mon. and Fri. from 7.30-8.30pm. New and returning players very welcome.

Weekly Lotto: There was no winner of this week's draw. Numbers drawn 1-22-24-30
Winners of €50 each were: Deirdre Doyle, Adam Fitzpatrick, Ned Murray, Martina Wilmot and Finbar Rosney. Promoter's prize: Donna Dooley. Next week's Lotto will be €4,200.

