



PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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PARISH OFFICE

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MASS TIMES

St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton

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



22nd May, 2016



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



Year C

ANNIVERSARIES – PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 23rd May 10am Thomas Kennedy, St. Michael's Park
Tues. 24th May 10am John Cardiff, Derrymore
Wed. 25th May 10am ---
Thurs. 26th May 10am Joseph, Margaret & Denis Murphy & deceased members of the Murphy family, Ballycullane
Fri. 27th May 10am Gretta Brogan

Saturday 21st May – 6.15pm

Margaret (Peg) Mullally, Portlaoise Road; Patrick Geoghegan Jnr. & Snr., Cushina; Kathleen & James McEvoy, St. Patrick's Tce; Michael Power, Avondale; James Phillips, Seskin; Bridget Cooper, Clonanny; Mabel Kelly (nee Mullins), England & Bracklone St. (3rd Anniv.) & dec. members of the Mullins Family, John & Ray Whelan, Patrick Street

Sunday 22nd May – 12.15pm

Peter (Pini) Dunne, Patrick Street (M.M.)
 Attie Jaffray, Foxcroft Ave. (1st Anniv.)
 Padraig & James Douglas, Bishopswood; Andrew Turley; Willie Murphy, Cloneyhurke; James & Kathleen Walsh; Mel Coughlan, Kilmalogue, Paddy & Bridie Horan, St. Brigid's Square

Saturday 28th May – 6.15pm

John Joe Cummins, Marian Hill, (M.M.)
 Edward Murphy, St. Michael's Park, Laurence Hyland, Station Rd. & dec. members of the Hyland Family, Dec. members of McCormack Family, Paddy Donagher, Bog Rd, Aggie Power, Ullard; Elizabeth O'Neil, Marian Hill

Sunday 29th May – 12.15pm

Maria Magee (Nee Mulcahy) Station Rd., (1st Anniv), Evelyn Reddy, Dublin (2nd Anniv.), John, Tony, Maura & Annmarie Reddy, Andrew Buckley; Paddy & Kitty O'Hara, Foxcroft St., Patricia Woulfe, Patrick St., Paddy Flanagan, Glasshouse, Bridie, Dan & Kevin Coogan, Station Rd., Danny, Ellen & James Malone, deceased members of the Malone Family, Gracefield, Michael & Imelda St. John, Kilmalogue

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 22nd May – 10.30am

Nicholas Fenlon, Lea

Sunday 29th May – 10.30am

Joseph & Christina Sweeney, Son, Dick Sweeney, Julie Slevin, Garryvacum

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 21st May – 7.30pm

Myles Christy, Coolbanagher (30th Anniv.)

Saturday 28th May – 7.30pm

James & Mary Mortimer, Cappakeel, Larry Flynn, Emo

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 22nd May – 9am

John & Josephine Corcoran, Courtwood
 Millie Redmond, Sallyford

DECEASED

Prayers are requested for the following:
 Nora (Peg) McGuirk, Knightstown

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO

LOURDES

Sun. 21st August until 28th August (7 nights). Hotel Solitude €799 PPS. Deposit now due. Further details & booking contact Marie 087 7589896 or Vera 087 9311813.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016



Congratulations to the children from St. Patrick's Boys N.S.

Cloneyhurke N.S.

Who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in the Parish this weekend.

PARISH LITURGY GROUP MEMBERS

Bishop Denis & the Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation invite members of parish liturgy groups across the diocese to an evening gathering in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College St, Carlow, Tues. 24th May 7.30-9.30pm. An evening of prayer, conversation, support and looking to the future together.

K & L DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Bishop Denis Nulty invites you to join with him & parishioners from across the diocese on Sun. 5th June, in this jubilee Year of Mercy at the Shrine of Our Lady in Knock. Diocesan Choir directed by Fr. Liam Lawton. Ceremonies in the Basilica begin at 2.30pm. Bus travelling from Portarlinton & Emo. To book a seat contact: Josie Hanlon, Portarlinton 086-3425944 or Vera Moran, Emo 086-2515271.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR

RETIRED PRIESTS

Weekend of 28th / 29th May 2016

A collection will take place in all parishes in the diocese of May 28th & 29th to assist with the ongoing support of our Retired priests. Priests in the diocese are paid a set salary from the Priests Collection during the year & any monies leftover goes towards helping our retired priests. Unfortunately the monies leftover at present are insufficient to provide this assistance. Bishop Denis & the priests of the diocese thank you for your on-going contributions for the priest collections. Envelope available in your boxes of envelopes or at the back of the Church. Cheques can be made payable to Portarlinton No. 1 A/C or to Emo No. 1 A/C.

LECTORS

Portarlinton

Sat. 28th May 6.15pm Katie Dunne
 Sun. 29th May 9am John Prior
 12.15pm Ciaran Dunne

Killenard

Sun. 29th May 10.30am Ursula Dunne

Emo

Sat. 28th May 7.30pm Doreen Dunne
 Sun. 29th May 11am Frances Kerry

Rath

Sun. 29th May 9am Greg Fogarty

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Portarlinton: Team D

Sat. 28th 6.15pm F. O'Dwyer / F. O'Donnell / C. Reid / J. Shaw
Sun. 29th 9am M. Scully / R. Doyle / M. Whelehan / B. Nolan / T. Harbelin – 12.15pm A. Slattery-Gahan / F. O'Reilly / M. Luttrell / E. McLoughlin

Killenard: Team C

Sun. 29th May C. Cahill / D. Campbell / Rose O'Kane

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

PENTECOST RETREAT

Mount St. Anne's, Killenard with Mass at 7.30pm each night.

Tues. 24th May Archbishop Charles Brown (Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland)

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

DUBLIN 2018

Collection this weekend 21st/22nd May
 Pope Francis has chosen Ireland to host the 9th World Meeting of Families during 2018. The dates and theme of the Meeting will be announced by Pope Francis himself.



In 2018, the 9th World Meeting of families is expected to attract thousands of Catholic families from around the globe to Ireland. It is hoped that this very special pastoral initiative will present all of us in the Church with the opportunity, and the challenge, to renew, support and strengthen Irish families in their commitment to their faith. Hosting a global event of this size requires a huge amount of planning and financial outlay on behalf of the host country. Accordingly, a national collection in all Churches to be held this weekend. To avoid holding an extra collection we ask that you give something extra on the plate this weekend..

CEMETERY MASSES 2016

Killenard - Fri. 1st July – 7.30pm
Portarlinton - Fri. 8th July – 7.30pm
Emo New Cemetery – Fri. 15th July – 7.30pm
Emo Old Cemetery – Mon. 15th Aug. 7.30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS AT

MOUNT ST ANNE'S KILLENARD

Meditation Day Sat. 28th May 10am-3pm with Marie Manley Smith. Enjoy a day of peace and relaxation in the beautiful surroundings of Mount St. Anne's. Cost: €25 (please bring packed Lunch) Tea/Coffee provided.
Bookings: Catherine 057-8626253

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO – 16TH MAY

Numbers 1, 11, 15, 23 – No Jackpot winner €25 to each of the following:
Julia Booth, Coolbanagher C/o Emo Shop
Eddie Mulhall C/o Hilary
Angela Keane, Ballymaddock
Clare Hurley C/o Vera
John Carroll C/o Colette
Next week's Jackpot €1,800

TRIP TO WEXFORD

There are three seats available for the holiday to Wexford on Mon. 12th until 16th September. All-in fare €275. Five days and four nights. B & B plus dinner. Sight-seeing and shopping. Coach pick-up in Portarlinton. Contact Betty on 087 7805940 or 057 8649645.

FRIENDS TOGETHER

Social and Support Group

Continues every Tuesday and Friday from 2.30pm – 5pm in Portarlinton Community Centre. Why not drop in for a cuppa and a chat. Board, cards, quizzes and charades. Transport provided to and from the Club. For further info contact 087 2788472.

Fundraiser Table Quiz

Fundraiser for Friends Together
On Friday 3rd June at 9.30pm in The Anvil.
€20 per table. Lots of prizes.

PORTARLINGTON JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB

Only €50 for 8 weeks of tennis fun. Mon. to Fri. afternoon's. July & August. Free Junior Membership 2016 included.

PORTARLINGTON LEISURE CENTRE

New courses of Adult lessons, parent & baby classes, & soccer skills starting the first week in June. Now booking for our Summer Activity programme. Further info: Phone 057-8645800!

O'DEMPSEY'S GAA

16TH May Lotto Results: Numbers: 03,11,24,28
No Jackpot winner. Match 3 winners were: Paddy Behan, Mick Cahill (Jnr.), Anne Blanche, Glen Malone & Colm Byrne. Promoter: Conal Barry. Next week's Jackpot: €10,000. Sincere thanks for your continued support.

LAOIS M.A.B.S.

Laois MABS Drop in Service on Friday 27th May from 9am–1pm in Portarlinton Community Centre – NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY
Further info. phone 0761 072620

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB

Lotto results 17th May – Letters G,K,F,C
No winner. €25 to Colin Doyle & Michelle Carey. Sellers prize: Colin Doyle
Next draw will be held on 31st May.
Jackpot €4,000

O'ROURKE SCHOOL OF BALLET



The O'Rourke School of Ballet summer camps are now enrolling! A fun-packed week of ballet, choreography, games, arts and crafts all topped off with a costumed end-of-week show.
Price:€80 Time: 10 am- 2pm, Mon- Fri
Venues & Dates: July 4th - 8th - Kildare Cymys hall, Kildare Town / July 11th-15th - Whizz Kids Montessori, Monasterevin / July 18th - 22nd - Community Centre, Portarlinton
Ailbhe O'Rourke RAD RTS -
www.theorourkeschoolofballet.com

EXAM PRAYER



Loving God,

*be with me now, as I prepare for my exams.
Thank you for the many talents and gifts you
have given me and for the opportunity of
education.*

*Calm my nerves and anxiety, help me to
remember all that I have studied, to express it
clearly and to answer the questions the very
best that I can.*

*Holy Spirit, sit with me in my exam –
and always. In Jesus' name.*

AMEN

SUAIMHNEAS – CAPPAKEEL, EMO

Advanced Power of Now Sat. 16th July
Further details & booking contact Anne or Mai
0578626541, email info@suaimhneas.ie or
visit our www.suaimhneas.ie

ST. CONLETH'S GAELIC4MOTHERS & OTHERS

Ladies, interested in an opportunity to get physically active & meet new people in a non-competitive environment? Gaelic4Mothers & Others is aimed at all ladies (you don't have to be a mother!) over 18 years that are not presently playing with a club & the emphasis is on fun and enjoyment!

Ex-players and those who are new to the sport are all welcome to come along.

For further information contact Catriona
at 086-3502888.

ST. BRIGID'S COMMUNITY ALERT

St. Brigid's Community Alert Group are hosting an information evening in St. Brigid's Hall Garryhinch on Thurs. 26th May at 7.30pm. Representatives from An Garda Siochana, Portarlinton Fire Brigade, Community Groups, Homecare Security, First Responders, Love Port, Meals on Wheels shall be in attendance to offer advice and help deal with issues that affect our daily lives in our local community. Information on the various help services that can be obtained through Offaly County Council will be available.

CALLING ALL RETAILERS!

The Local Enterprise Office is running the following training programme for Retailers in Laois. **T1619 Pulling Power for the Local Retailer.** 24th & 31st May from 7-10pm (4 evenings) in the local Enterprise Office, Clonminam Business Park, Portlaoise.

The aim of this course is to give retailers new tools which will help them grow their sales and improve overall performance.

The course is aimed at owners/managers of independent retail outlets in Laois. The course also covers People management skills to give the participants the required knowledge and skills to help maximize the performance of employees and effectively grow customer relationships. Book online: www.localenterprise.ie/laois or Contact our office on 057 86 61800.

PORTARLINGTON ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ST. MICHAEL'S CONFERENCE

Annual Golf Classic will be held in Portarlinton Golf Club on Thurs. 26th May. Time sheet available in the Golf Club. 4 person scramble.

FOUND

Small sum of money found at St. Michael's Church. Contact the Parish Office.
057 8643004.

INVALID PILGRIMAGE TO

KNOCK SHRINE

Pilgrimage will travel on Sun. 26th June. Full funding is available for invalids wishing to be placed in the care of St. John's in Knock before and after the ceremonies. Otherwise seats that may become available will be allocated on a first come, first served basis and will cost €30 per person. (Includes food/beverages). Enquiries please to Teresa 087-1343174 or Mary 087 7870889.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL

Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from Thursday 7th – Sunday 10th July 2016. For young people aged 16-35, this is an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet new people, with over 1000 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from all around Ireland. For more info and to book online, see www.youth2000.ie or phone 01 6753690

KILLENARD ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP

Annual holiday – Youghal

Quality Hotel, Youghal - Mon. 6th June for 5 days – Dinner B & B plus tours. Cost €275 per person sharing. €15 single supplement per night. Contact Betty Fox on 087-6207978 or Breda Hogan on 087-6707383.

O'DEMPSEY'S GAA

Horse and Pony Race

Sunday 19th June at the Hermitage Crossroads, Killenard. All welcome.

TIDY TOWNS ASSOCIATION

PORTARLINGTON

Portarlinton Tidy Towns Association is in the process of compiling the National Tidy Towns Application for 2016. If you have been involved in any initiatives that may support the towns application could you forward details/ photographs for submission as part of the application. Built Environment & Street Scape / Landscaping & open spaces / Wildlife habitats & natural amenities / Sustainable waste & resource management / Tidiness & litter control / Residential streets & housing areas. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the committee. Tel. 085 8568801
www.portarlinton.ie

EMO / RATH

COMMUNITY GAMES

Gymnastics county final will be held on Sat. 28th May at 5pm in Portlaoise Gymnastics Club, Unit 4, Lismard Business Park, Portlaoise. Cover charge of €3 (including participants), towards hall hire. Please register your interest by Wed. 25th May with Barbara Dunne 085 2745536 or Claire Johnston 087 6747182
Area Athletic Finals takes place Mon. 23rd May. Registration on the day from 6pm in the Community Centre. Events will commence at 6.45pm. If successful at area level, the County Finals will take place in St. Abban's on Sun. 5th June. – Time to be decided.

Model Making county final will take place on Fri. 27th May in St. Coleman's N.S. in Stradbally at 6pm. Please register your interest by Wed. 25th May. Please note this is a straight county final, so your piece has to be made there within a 3 hour time limit. Boards must not be prepared in advance of the competition.

EMO FUN DAY

Sincere thanks to all who supported the recent Fun Day in and of Emo GAA.

DO NOT SUFFER IN SILENCE

Private & confidential counselling service.
Phone 087 9771005.