Parishes of Portarlington & Emo

Portarlington & Emo Parishes are part of the Pastoral Area along with Killeigh, Clonaslee, Rosenallis & Mountmellick

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Anniversary Masses, Baptisms and Weddings can be booked by contacting the Parish Office during opening hours.

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22nd November 2026 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year 'A'

MASS TIMES
St. Michael's Church, Portarlington
10am Daily Mass (Monday – Friday) / 6.15pm (Vigil Saturday) 9am & 12.15pm Sunday
St. John's Church, Killenard 10.30am Sunday
St. Paul's Church, Emo 7.30pm Sat. /11am Sun.
Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am Sunday



CELEBRATION OF MASS VIA WEBCAM
Link to live streaming from St. Michael's Church, Portarlington
www.mcnlive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington
Portarlington & Emo Parish @EmoParish

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 21st November 6.15pm
James O'Connor, St. Brigid's Square (1st Anniv.); Ann Downey, Droughill; Jean Clancy, St. Patrick's Tce. (8th Anniv.); Gareth, Mary & Thomas Kelly, Seskin; Patrick Coffey, Old Pound; Seamie Ryan, Droughill (24th Anniv.); Dayle Ryan, South Africa Pat Leavy, St. Michael's Park, Alice, Denis & Peter Walsh, St. Michael's Park, Liam O'Connor, Patrick St, (21st Anniv); Jerry & Willa Murphy, Droughill; Joe Kelly, St. Michael's Park

Sun. 22nd November 12.15pm
James (Sonny) McEvoy, St. Joseph's Tce. (1st Anniv.); Tómás Raftery, Whitefields (1st Anniv.); George & Bridie Quinn & daughter Terri Quinn, Bishopswood Road; Josephine Hoey, St. Patrick's Tce; Betty & Con Keane, Station Rd; John & Angela Keane; Gerry Garvey, Kilbeggan (3rd Anniv.); Jerry & Willa Murphy, Droughill Carmel Lawlor, Wexford (13th Anniv.)

Sat. 28th November 6.15pm
Ronnie Ridgeway, Garryhinch (M.M.)
Carmel Crombie, Marian Hill (10th Anniv.)
Mick & Molly Dunne, Cloneyquinn; Maura, James, Pat & dec. members of the Crossan Family

Sun. 29th November 12,15pm
Kathleen Malone, Rosecourt; Michael & Maureen Mulligan, Bishopswood; John Mulligan; Angela Shiels, Patrick St. (2nd Anniv.); Kathleen Mangan, Crann Nua; Gerard Hyland Station Road (3rd Anniv.); Declan Murphy, Woodbrook; Patsy & Esther Murphy, Station rd & Lea, Kathleen & John Murphy, London & Treascon, Eilish & Timothy Devaney, Nenagh, Ann, Michael, David & Marion O'Brien, London, Dec members of the Doyle family, Treascon, & the O'Connor family, Treascon, Dan & Mary Gallagher, Dec members of the Gallagher family, Treascon, Christy, Paddy & Ned Whelan, Treascon, Dec members of the Whelan family, Andy & Mary Gallagher, Birmingham.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING WHO DIED DURING THE WEEK

Jim Murphy, Bellgrove
Margaret Byrne (Connolly), Blackrock & Shandra
Margaret Colbert, St. Brigid's Square
Michael (Mick) Finlay, Bracklone Street
Ellen Coe, Kilnacourt Woods
Stephen Kealy, Killenard
John Sharpe, Fullam, London & Treascon

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sun. 22nd November 10.30am
Mary McHale & Thomas McHale Jnr.), Killenard Catherine Fennelly, Wolfhill; Elizabeth Whelan, Garryvacum; Dec. members of the Fennelly & Whelan Families; Michael Whelehan (7th Anniv.); John & Christina Whelehan; John Donnelly & his sisters, Sheila & Angela Donnelly; Gemma O'Sullivan, Killenard; Catherine Tynan, Woodenbridge (11th Anniv.); Una Kehoe (19th Anniv.) & Jack Kehoe (13th Anniv.), Ballycarroll Michael (Mick) Hall, Monasterevin,

Sun. 29th November 10.30am
James McDonnell, Springfield & dec. members of the McDonnell Family; Jeremiah & Annie Culleton, Rathleash; Kathleen Hickey, Kilmullen (8th Anniv.); Mary McElwee (4th Anniv.); Tony Mullen, Corrig (Birthday Remembrance);

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Sat. 21st November 7.30pm
Thady Gorman, Woodbrook;
Patsy Gorman, Rosenallis.
Sat. 29th November 7.30pm
Catherine Horne & deceased members of the Horne Family

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sun. 22nd November 9am
Fr. Sean Murphy SDB (3rd Anniv.)
Patrick O'Connor, Rathronshin (18th Anniv.)
Paddy & Alice Dobbyn, Courtwood,
Owen Boland, Ballintogher, (4th Anniv)

Sun. 29th November 9am
Dan & Pat Coffey, Naas; Dec. members of the Currims & Coffey Families; Dec. members of Courtwood G.A.A., also players, officers, presidents & friends of Courtwood G.A.A.

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARY MASS IN PORTARLINGTON AT 10AM

Mon. 23rd Nov: Joe & Cissie Verso;
Ted Carbury & crew of Carrigh Una (50th Anniv.)
Tues. 24th Nov: Pat McCann (who died recently)
Wed. 25th Nov: Nell McHugh; Robert Smart, Avondale & Drogheda (4th Anniversary)
Thurs. 26th Nov: Dinny Lyons, Derrymore

PLEASE NOTE THAT ROTAS FOR MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST (FOR ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH) ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH PORCH.

CHRISTMAS STATIONS



Christmas Stations for the support of the Priests of the Parish will be taken up as a second collection at all Masses next weekend (28th & 29th Nov.). There are envelopes in the envelope boxes & also at the Church Porch. This is one of the five times during the year you give to the direct support of the priests of the parish. Your support is greatly appreciated.

CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS



Portarlington & Emo Parishes ***Available in Portarlington Parish Office. Donation €3***. Intentions will be remembered at Christmas Masses celebrated in Portarlington & Emo Parishes over Christmas

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

St. Michael's Parish, Portarlington
All voices, all ages - Join the Parish Choir for Christmas. Midnight Mass at 9pm on Christmas Eve. Traditional and new hymns to an excellent standard! Rehearsals commence on Sat. 28th Nov. at 11am. Rehearsals will continue on Wednesday's at 7.30pm & Saturday's at 11am thereafter during Advent.



Advent begins next Sunday 29th November. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament each Sunday of Advent in St. Michael's Church, Portarlington from 5pm concluding with The Rosary.

YOUTH 2000 CHRISTMAS RETREAT
11th - 13th December 2026



Calling all young people aged 16–35!
Join us at the Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome.
To register or find out more, visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland.

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB CLONEYHURKE

Next Social Dance: Sat. 21st Nov. (Tonight) Music by Dave Lawlor & Michael Cahill. Adm: €10. Refreshments served. Doors open 8.45pm. Great night guaranteed.
Keep Fit Classes: Wednesday & Friday nights with Eimear, from 7-8pm. €8 per night.
Dancing Lessons: With Noeleen on Thursday nights 7.30pm – 9pm. €10 each night.
Irish Speaking: Monday night at 7-8pm.
Christmas 25 Card Game: Fri. 20th November 9pm. Lots of prizes – Come along!.

IRELAND'S 3RD NATIONAL FIRST SATURDAYS CONFERENCE

At Fatima Our Lady promised that if we did as she asked there would be peace in the world & that many souls would be saved.
This year's conference will take place in Knock on Sat. 28th Nov. The day begins at 10am & finishes at 5pm and includes Mass, Adoration, talks & a healing service. Speakers include: Fr. Patrick Cahill, Geraldine O'Donnell, Fr Leon Pereira OP, Nikki Kingsley, Fr. Marius O'Reilly, Fr. Jaimie Twohig, Christine O'Hara, Fr. Mark Quinn & Fr. Philip Kemmy. Fr. John Keane will lead a Eucharistic Healing Service. Check out www.firstsaturdays.ie

O'DEMPSEY'S G.A.A.

LOTTO 16th Nov.
Numbers 5, 10, 16, 20 – No jackpot winner. Match 3 winner Barry Kelly. Promoter Bernie Whelehan. Next Draw Mon. 23rd Nov. with a Jackpot of €13,600. Thank you for all your support and the very best of luck!
A.G.M.
The O'Dempsey's AGM takes place at the Clubhouse at 7pm on Sat. 28th Nov. All members are encouraged to attend. Nomination and Motion forms have been circulated via email to full members. For more information contact Mai Lawlor at secretary.odempseys.laois@gaa.ie
Set-Dancing
Social Set-Dancing takes place at 'Dempsey's on Wed. nights. Further information from Mary on 087-9185817

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB LOTTO RESULTS

18th November – Letters D R U M – No jackpot winner. €25 each to Mary Foy; Michael Luttrell (Snr.); Michael Hogan. Next draw on 1st December with a Jackpot of €10,000

MARKET SQUARE - B I N G O

Parochial House, Market Square, Portarlington Monday's nights Doors open 6.30pm - Eyes Down 7.30pm. All ages welcome.

BRAVE HEARTS
In partnership with the PCDA
CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE AT DERRYOUNCE LAKES & TRAILS



Saturday 5th December from 12 Noon until 5pm
Only 2 weeks left until our Christmas Experience Event in Derryounce. This is a day for families & friends to meet up, grab a hot chocolate or coffee, purchase some gifts from the many stalls or reminisce of Christmas past, whilst listening to our Christmas Choir and not to mention a visit to SANTA. You can send your Letter to Santa / There will be a nature walk where you might just see RUDOLPH! €5 per child – Tickets available on eventbrite. (Sensory Santa- Christmas Experience – Derryounce Lakes & Walkways) If anyone is looking for stalls, there are only 2 left so get in touch with Therese on 086 8471994.

PORTARLINGTON COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROJECT

The following vacancies have arisen:-
Environmental Worker (Amenity Areas) Ref. 2477207
Grounds-person / Caretaker
(Gracefield GAA) Ref. 2477208
Grounds-person / Caretaker
(Portarlington GAA) Ref. 3001181
Environmental Worker
(Derryounce Lakes & Trails) Ref. 2473839
Environmental Worker
(Amenity Areas) Ref. 2474493
Grounds-person / Caretaker
(O'Dempsey's GAA) Ref. 3000262
For further information contact Martina Smyth at 057 8643458.

EMO / RATH PARISH LOTTO

Week No. 2042 – 16th Nov. 2026. Numbers 83, 5, 6, 17 – No Jackpot winner. €25 each to the following: Tommy Lawlor c/o Deirdre; Mag & John Langford c/o Bernie Gorman; Karl Brogan c/o Deirdre; Lynda Hand c/o Shauna strong; Eamonn Flanagan c/o Damien Next draw takes place on 23rd Nov. with a jackpot of €6,000



GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB

16/11/2026 – Week No. 47
Numbers 9, 23, 29, 11 – No Jackpot winner. €50 each to the following:- Shane Curley; Mike Keegan; Paul Maher; Yvonne Pearson; May Dempsey. Promoter prize: Noeleen Murphy. Next week's jackpot €13,800

PORTARLINGTON WOMEN'S SHED ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MARKET



Sun. 29th Nov. from 12 Noon – 3pm in Portarlington Community Centre R32 D797. Unique gifts & artisan crafts & foods, cakes, cookies, jams & more. Refreshments served. Entertainment and kids craft table. Free visit to Santa. Fabulous raffle prizes. Come along & enjoy a festive afternoon for the whole family.

CAMP PIO ADVENT CAMP

5-13 years. Sat. 28th Nov. from 11am – 3pm at Bloom HQ (Old Convent), Mountrath. To register phone Laura on 087 6313370.

PRAYER AS WE PREPARE FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Advent & Christmas.
We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.
We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.
We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.
We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.
We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.
To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"

PORTARLINGTON

LIBRARY

To book call in to Library, Ph: 057 8643751
Email portarlingtonlibrary@laoiscoco.ie
Local History Talk with John Stocks Powell Nov 25th 6:30pm
Learn about the different comings and goings of people across Portarlington's past. Free event but booking required, call 057 8643751 or email portarlingtonlibrary@laoiscoco.ie
Digital Support Drop In Sessions: An LOETB tutor will be available on Friday 27th Nov. 10.30 -12.30pm for one on one support sessions. Bring along your device and any digital queries you may have. No booking necessary.
Knitting Club: Meets every Friday morning 10:30am-12:30. All skill levels from beginner to advanced are welcome!
Lego Free Play: every Saturday 10am-1pm
Social Chess (Adults only): Wednesday evenings 6pm-7pm, enjoy a game of chess, a cuppa and a chat. New members welcome
Portarlington Junior Book Club: Meeting on the last Wednesday of the month - Suitable for 9-12 year olds. Booking essential
Adult Book Club: Meeting on the last Tuesday of the month at 11am.
Baby Book Club: Baby Book Club Wednesdays at 10:30am. Suitable for children aged 0-3. Booking is essential

COURTWOOD COMBINED LOTTO.

Courtwood Combined Lotto €20,000! Tickets available from: The Clubforce App. The attached QR Code. Ballybrittas Service Station or the Final Furlong. Support Courtwood GAA by purchasing a weekly Lotto ticket.

Courtwood GAA Remembrance Mass

Mass will be offered in Church of the Sacred Heart, for Sun. 29th Nov. for all our players, officers, presidents, members & friends of Courtwood GAA who have passed away. We remember them with fondness & gratitude for the contribution they made to our club & community. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha dílse.

Irish Cancer Society

BECOME A VOLUNTEER DRIVER

As a volunteer driver you will be bringing patients undergoing chemotherapy to the hospital for their treatment and back home. Requirements are a minimum of two drives per month & be available for the full day / Roadworthy car, a clean drivers licence, insurance & NCT. The Irish Cancer Society will provide you with training. Garda Vetting necessary. Further information contact Emily or Monica at volunteer@irishcancer.ie