

Parishes of Portarlington & Emo





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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



TEMPERANCE SUNDAY

26th February, 2017 - Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 27th Feb. 10am ---Tues. 28th 10am Kathleen Mulvey, Canal Rd.

Wed. 1st March 10am Ash Wednesday

Wed. 1st March 7.30pm Brigid & Bernard

Downey, Droughill

Thurs. 2nd Mar. 10am --
Fri. 3rd Mar. 10am Frank Higgins, Main Street

<u>Saturday 25th February – 6.15pm</u> Patrick (Paddy) Cullen, (1st Anniy.)

St. Michael's Park; Kitty Fingleton, (1st Anniv.) DInny Fingleton, Shandra: Thomas Lawlor, Patrick's Ave., Dan & Eileen Maher, Annamoe, Bob Foran, Josephine Duffy, Arlington Est., William (Billy) Whelan, Marian Hill, Anna Doyle, St. Brigid's Sq., Margaret & John Bolton, (47th Anniv.)

Sunday 26th February - 12.15pm

Georgina O'Connell, Philadelphia (M.M.) Noel Kenny, Station Rd., (1st Anniv.) Maura Murphy, St. Mary's Tce. (4th Anniv.) Sean Ryan, (5th Anniv.) Kay Ryan, (4th Anniv.) The Square, Sarah & William Kelly, St. Patrick's Tce.

Saturday 4th March - 6.15pm

Patricia Horrigan, Gracefield; Donal O'Meara, Annamoe & his Son, Patrick O'Meara; Sheila & Bill Fingleton & Son Paul Fingleton, Patrick St.; Dec. members of the Prenderville Family; Caoimhe Carroll, Garryhinch Sunday 5th March - 12.15pm Frances Allman, St. Joseph's Tce.; John

Dooley & Marie Dooley ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Friday 3rd March - 7.30pm

Martin Slevin, Ballycarroll (5th Anniv.) Richard & Bridie Slevin, Ballycarroll

<u>Sunday 5th March – 10.30am</u> Josie Kiernan, 10th Anniv; Stephen Kiernan, Rathleash, Marie Culleton-Ryan; Paul Moore, Springfield

DECEASED

Jackie Gleeson, Portarlington & Emo Christina (Teena) Carey, Bracklone Street Peter Hynes, Orchard Drive

FOLK CHOIR SINGING THIS WEEKEND

St. Michael's Folk Choir will be singing at the 12.15pm Mass this weekend.

LENTEN STATIONS



Lenten Stations for the support of the priests of the parish will be held next weekend. It will take the form of a 2nd collection. Envelopes available in envelope boxes and at Church porches for this purpose.

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 25th February - 7.30pm Dan Kavanagh, The Commons

Sunday 26th February – 11am

Cian Hand (8th Anniv.)

Julia Morrin, Coolbanagher;

Catherine Doheny; Margaret Ryan

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 26th February – 9am Tom Ryan, Bellgrove (M.M.) Sunday 5th March - 9am

Mick Kinsella, Fisherstown Alan Burke, Ballybrittas (28th Anniv.)

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:

PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Holly Ann Tynan, St. Michael's Park Sean Patrick Francis Coss, Crann Nua

EMO PARISH

Lauren Ann Kelly, Rathronshin, Ballybrittas

ASH WEDNESDAY - 1st MARCH 2017

Lent begins on Wednesday next, 1st March (Ash Wednesday) & is a day of fast & abstinence. Masses & the blessing of Ashes on Ash Wednesday as follows:

Portarlington 10am & 7.30pm Killenard 7.30pm

Rath 10am 7.30pm

Mass celebrated by Fr. Walsh in Rath at 10am each day during Lent unless otherwise announced.

FIRST FRIDAY - FRIDAY 3RD MARCH 2017

Friday next is the First Friday of the Month. Masses as follows:-

Portarlington: 10am / Killenard: 7.30pm Emo: 9.15am / Rath: 10am (Friday)

TROCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2017

Working for a just world.

"What kind of world do we want to leave ... to children now, who are growing up?" Pope Francis - Encyclical Letter Laudato Si Trocaire boxes available at Church porches.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT SUN. 5th MARCH 2017

Emo 3-7pm Tony Byrne & Mary Delaney Rath 2.30-6.30pm ---

CHURCH COLLECTORS MARCH 2017

St. Paul's Church, Emo

7.30pm Willie Keegan & Pat Whelan / 11am Liam Fitzpatrick & Kieran McEvoy Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am Willie Duffy & Liam Flynn

LECTORS - NEXT WEEKEND

Portarlington

Ш Ash Wed. 1st March 10.30am Daily Lector 7.30pm Sarah Dunne **Sat. 4th March** 6.15pm Katie Dunne

Sun. 5th March 9am John Prior / 12.15pm Sinead Dunne

Killenard

Ash Wed. 1st March 7.30pm Niall Briody Sun. 5th March 10.30am Kieran Dunne

<u>Emo</u>

Ash Wed. 1st March 7.30pm Paul Donnelly Sat. 4th March 7.30pm Doreen Dunne Sun. 5th March 11am Emmet Conroy

Rath

Sun. 5th March 9am Ted O'Loughlin

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEXT WEEKEND

PORTARLINGTON Wed. 1st March - Team D F. O'Dwyer / F. O'Donnell / C. Reid / J. Shaw

PORTARLINGTON Sun. 5th March - Team A 6.15pm J. Williams / G. Cullen / M. Brady / M. Larkin-Carey; 9am Sun. J. Tinkler / B. Lawlor / P. Butler / F. Cryan; 12.15pm S. Dunne / B. McElwaine / M. Corcoran / C. Kinsella

KILLENARD: Wed. 1st March - Team B

E. O'Hora / I. Sweeney / J. O'Leary

KILLENARD: Sun. 5th March - Team C C. Cahill / D. Campbell

COMMUNION CALLS

The sick and housebound will be attended during the week as follows:

Tues. 28th February (Afternoon)

Congress Tce., Crowe Lane, Orchard Drive, Whitefields, St. Brigid's Sq., Bracklone St., Corrig, St. Michael's Pk., Portlaoise Road, Kilbride, Lea Rd., Ballycarroll, Canal Court

Wed. 1st March Ballybrittas, Rath, Courtwood, Fisherstown, Kilbracken, Cappakeel, Morette, Emo, Portlaoise Road, Coolbanagher, Knightstown, Killeen, Tinakill, Coolaghy

Thurs. 2nd March Kilmalogue Gdn., Church View, Patrick St., Assumpta Tce., St. Patrick's Tce., St. Joseph's Tce., Gracefield, Avondale, Bog Rd., Kilkeeran, Garryhinch, Sweep Road, Botley Court, The Square, Clondoolusk, Cushina, Bishopswood, Marian Hill

TOMMY RYAN MEMORIAL ROAD RUN 7th Annual Charity D

Annual Charity Run in aid of Laois Riding for the Disabled. Sun. 23rd April starting & finishing at Crean's, Vicarstown Inn. Sign on from 11.45am until 1pm. Starting at 1.30pm sharp. All cars / motorbikes welcome from Vintage to Present day. Your support will be welcomed. Further info. contact 087-2654001.

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO 20.2.2017

Numbers 9, 17, 22, 24 - No Jackpot winner €25 to Tony & Fionn Keane, Rath Des Christie C/o Meabh Rosaleen Kirwan C/o R.K. Ian Fennelly, Tinnakill Des O'Connell C/o Rath Cards Next Week's jackpot €4,200

BANK OF IRELAND ENTERPRISE TOWN

Portarlington will host the Bank of Ireland enterprise town for 2017. Through this initiative B.O.I. and the business community of Portarlington will work together to support local enterprise. In addition they will involve the wider Community & the local schools through a range of different activities. To learn more about these exciting plans for our Enterprise Town, you are invited to the launch on Wed. March 1st at 7pm in the Bank of Ireland, Main Street, Portarlington.

CHILDMINDER NEEDED

Childminder required to mind children in the children's own home 5 days per week Mon-Fri. Own transport essential / References required. Further details contact 087-9611545.

BREAKFAST WITH ANN MARIE

Breakfast with Ann Marie on Midlands 103 is looking for the Best Breakfast in the Midlands. Ann Marie is taking the show on the road to find the best egg, rasher and sausage or perhaps you prefer it vegetarian? With fun, flavor & friendly local Judges, we want to get a taste of your community. In her brand new weekly series beginning in the Community Centre in Portarlington on the 8th March, Ann Marie will broadcast from 6.30am to 9am, so come on down and join the fun and food!!

PORTARLINGTON TENNIS CLUB

Coaching with Tony Lok resumes on Tues. 25th April and Friday 28th April. Phone: 087-1231135 to register.

ST. BRIGID'S ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP GARRYHINCH / CLONEYHURKE Club resumes on Tues. 7th March at 7.30pm.

New members welcome.

FOOD CLOUD SUPPORT

Are you a registered charity who use food or provide food to people in need in the community? Are you interested in collecting good surplus food (bakery, meat and chilled produce) from your local retailer? Get in touch the FoodCloud support team 01 5313478 or by emailing support@foodcloud.ie.

PORTARLINGTON GAA CLUB

Lotto results Wk. 8 Numbers 2,10,20,22 - No Jackpot winner. Jackpot €5,900 Tickets available from Burbage's, Tynan's Butchers, Pint-O-Port, Luttrell Oil, Spar Station Rd. or any Committee Member. Portarlington GAA registration Players & members reg. Now open for the 2017 season. Reg. Fee can be paid every Wed. 7-9pm in the small meeting room.

U6 football training Commenced for 2017 & is on Sunday mornings at 10am in the hall. Hurling training for ages is at 11am every Sunday in the hall.

Laois GAA All County Draw Tickets now available. Available from the Treasurer Madeline Ward at 085 1018048 or in the GAA Centre every Wed. night or from any Committee member. Portarlington GAA Annual Good Friday Poker Classic April 14th at 8.30pm in the GAA Centre. Refreshments served. Early Bird €20 or €25 on the night. Tickets from Joe Whelan 087 2529977 or Cam McGettrick 087 7799520

Keep up to date with what's going on in Portarlington GAA Club Facebook page (Portarlington GAA Club) or following us on Twitter @PortGAA or clgportarlington.com

'MOTHERS PRAYERS' – ANNUAL WEEKEND **IN KNOCK**

For mothers who wish to come together to pray for their children & grandchildren, bringing them to Jesus who loves them so much more than we do & can change things that we cannot change. St. John's Rest & Care Centre - Fri. 10th – Sun. 12th March. Mass Friday 8.30pm. Sat. Reg. 9am. Meeting commences 9.30am. Sunday: 9.30am start & finishes with Mass at 12.15pm. Queries to 091-771009 / 087-6184110 or email Ireland@mothersprayers.org. You do not have to be a mother to be part of 'Mothers Prayers'.

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EASTER SOCCER CAMP

Two Day Soccer Easter Camp for Girls aged 7-12 years will take place on 12th & 13th April at Arlington AFC, Lea Road. €30 with sibling discount. Full kit and ball for every participant places limited. To book see Arlington AFC juveniles Facebook page or 1890-653-653

SUAIMHNEAS, EMO - COURSES

Mindfulness meditation practice Every Thurs. 7.30-8.30pm. Cost €5 incl. refreshments & home baking. Facilitated by Anne & Mai (Suaimhneas)

Work Support - Facilitated by John Doherty Work support is a series of four individual day workshops on supporting Therapists & Health Care Personnel in their work.

The Power of the Now & A New Earth Awakening to your Life's Purpose

Sat. 1st April 10am - 4.30pm. Cost €65 incl. freshly cooked 3 course dinner & refreshments. For full details of all the above and booking phone Mai or Anne on 057 8626541.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MOUNT ST ANNE'S,

Holy Week Retreat Wed. 12th – Sun. 16th April. Residential or non-residential options available. All Easter ceremonies throughout the retreat. Dawn Mass on Easter Sunday at 6am. Facilitated by Fr. Jack Rodgers SPS For further details or to get a copy of the 2017 Programme contact Catherine 057-8626153

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MOUNTMELLICK DRAMA FESTIVAL 2017

Fri 3rd March to Fri 10th March inclusive in the Mountmellick Community Arts Centre. Commencing at 8pm. For further details and bookings contact Jessie at 087/7942994 email iessieconroy61@gmail.com Noreen at 087/4121205 norsavage@eircom.net

BANRION GALES CAMOGIE CLUB

Banríon Gaels Camogie Club Registration Day Sat. 11th March in Portarlington GAA Club (McCann Park) from 3pm. Come along and register your daughter on the day and enjoy a great fun afternoon. Full details check out Facebook Banrion Gaels Camogie Club.

CAR BOOT SALESunday 12th March from 11am to 2pm in Portarlington Community Centre. €10 per stall. Free to the public.

O'DEMPSEY'S G.A.A. Club registration day

Takes place today (Sun.) between 11am & 1pm at the club house. Come along & register your child, watch the U.16's play against Park Ratheniska & meet the senior team.

Lotto Results

20/02/17 Numbers were: 08,10,16,17. No Jackpot winner. Next week's Jackpot: €16,000. Thank you for your continued support of our weekly lotto.

All County Clubs Members Draw

Tickets now on sale. Your support is greatly appreciated. Contact any Club member.

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PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Portarlington Pilgrimage to Lourdes in conjunction with the Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage under the leadership of Bishop Denis Nulty – leaving 16th July. 7 nights - €819 single room extra €245. Names and deposits now required, limited number of seats available. Contact Marie 087 7589896 / Vera 087 9311813 or any Committee Member.

Emo Parish Pilgrimage - From the 16th -21st July 2017. 5 nights full board Hotel Astrid. €699 per person sharing (single supplement €150). Further info. & booking phone: 086-1225833 or the Parish Office 057-8643004

TEMPERANCE SUNDAY TODAY 26TH FEB.

Temperance is a virtue which can help us to moderate the attraction to substances like alcohol and so avoid excessive use. Alcohol, when used in moderation, can be good and a part of our social life. However, we must remember that alcohol is also the number one drug in our country and, when abused is, by way of human suffering, abstention from work, criminality and social upheaval, a huge cost to us all. Promote temperance and make a difference.

MAKE-A-WISH IRELAND

Annual Wish Day - Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed for WISH DAY, our annual fundraising day, on Friday 31st March There are a number of ways you could get involved and support us in this venture: Select a location nearby and volunteer to sell our badges there for the day; Host a coffee morning or a bake sale in aid of Make-a-Wish or hold a Jersey Day or similar themed day. Money raised on the day goes to continuing to grant wishes to our brave wish children. If you can commit to the full day or even a few hours selling our bands please visit www.makeawish.ie to register online at one of our collection points or contact Emma Horgan emma@makeawish.ie. Call 01-2052012 for more details.

CHILDMINDER REQUIRED

Friendly and reliable Childminder required in Killenard area 3 days a week (Wed. Thurs. Fri.). to mind kids in children's own home. Car essential for school run. Please contact 087-7407052 or 087-9886434 to discuss.

GRACEFIELD F.C.

Clothing Collection Day will take place on 25th March at our grounds on Botley Lane from 12 noon to 4pm. Anyone who cannot drop off clothes on the day can bring them down to the Community Centre Monday - Friday.

Race Night will take place in the Dublin Bar on the 25th March from 9pm until late. Horses available from any club member. €15 per horse.

SOLEMN NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP - "My Faith Story"

St. Peter & Paul's Church, Monasterevin. Six Wednesday Nights commencing on 1st March to 5th April. Time: 7.30pm (Rosary at 7.10pm). Scheduled Speakers:

1st March - Sally Mc Ellistrim: Sally PR Manager for world mission Ireland.

8th March - Bishop Pat Storey: Patricia "Pat" Storey is a Church of Ireland Bishop of Kildare & Meath.

March - George Hook Irish broadcaster,

journalist and ruby union pundit. 22nd March - Kate Liffey National Director for

Catechetics. 29th March - Fr. Gaspar Habara: Slovakian

Priest currently ministering in Kildare. 5th April - Liam McLoughlin: Councilor in Cuan Mhuire, Athy.