PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO

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MASS TIMES

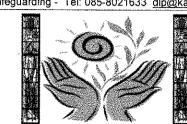
St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

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.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaelschurch-portarlington



Portarlington & Emo Parish @EmoParish

SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST, 2023

WEEKEND MASSES - PORTARLINGTON

Saturday 26¹⁸ August – 6.15pm Ronan Yarrow, Ballymorris (4th Anniv.) Jane Costello, St. Brigid's Sq. (8th Anniv.) Michael Dempsey, Barrowbank (6th Anniv.) Paschal McBride, NaCluainte (11th Anniv.) Dorothea McNamara, Gracefield; Joan Keating, St. Mary's Tce: John Keating: Kathleen Swarbrick; Thomas, Mary Ann, Brigid & Edward Geoghegan, Cushina; Patrick Murphy, St. Michael's Park: Mary Mooney, Kilbride House: Elizabeth, Paddy & John Connor, Kilbride

Sunday 27th August - 12.15pm

Michael Smith, Corrig & dec. members of the Smith Family, Bracklone St; Seamus McCusker, Shandra (10th Anniv.); Timmy Dunne, Garryhinch (30th Anniv.); Mary & Paddy Donagher: Larry & Evelyn Farrell: Janina Gudiene: Petras Gudas: Regina Jabionskiene: Stase Braciskiene

10AM MASS – ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 28th August Mary Nadarajah (10th Anniv.); Mrs. Mariaynagam (3rd Anniv.), Kent Tues, 29th August Joe Feehan, Church View Wed. 30th August Michael Joyce Thurs, 31st August Fr. Brendan Carbery Fri. 1st September Sarah Brady McDermott & daughter Lelia McDermott, Newbridge

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 27th August - 10.30am

Maura Lawlor (1st Anniv.) & Pat Lawlor, Ballycarroll, Annie Culleton, Rathleash, Liam & Sheila O'Mahony, St. Brigid's Square; Pat Mulhall, Beechwood, Ballintocher

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

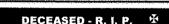
Saturday 26th August - 7.30pm Maureen & Patrick Connolly, Clonamone; Ciara Keegan-Loughlin, Lough (16th Anniv.)

Sunday 27th August - 11am Brigid (Bridie) Booth, Morette (6th Anniv.) Matthew Moore; Ellen Moore; Paddy Moore; Ann Moore; Suzanne Moore, Coolbanagher Pat Mulhall, Beechwood, Ballintogher

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 27th August - 9am

Katie Noian, Courtwood; Margaret Flanagan, Dunamaise; Margaret Dempsey, Monasterevin; Edward Fitzgerald, Bellgrove; Della, Richard & Marcella Bolger, Belin; Pat Mulhall, Beechwood, Ballintogher



Twenty First Sunday in O.T.

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

John Keating. Ballymartin, Borris, Carlow

(Brother of Matt Keating, St. Mary's Tce.) Imelda Hanion (nee Murray), Station Court & Sandymount, Dublin

Gerry Lacey

Athlone (Conductor / Teacher for Portarlington Concert Band)

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism

Portarlington & Emo Parishes

Olivia Claudette Patrice Podbury. Treascon & Naas Ethan James Matin-Moore, Garryhinch Cross Cróia Deirdre Digan-Crowley, The Drive, Graigaverne



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Michael's Church, on Tues. 10.30am-7pm

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK



Mon. 28th August - St. Augustine Tues. 29th August - St. John the Baptist Wed. 30th August - St. Fiacre Thurs. 31st August - St. Aidan Fri. 1st September - World Day of Prayer for Creation

AUTUMN PRIESTS COLLECTION

The Autumn Collection for the Priests of the Parish will be held next weekend at all Masses. This is one of the 5 times during the year you can contribute to the direct support of the Priests of the Parish. Envelope available in you development boxes or at Church Porch.

FIRST FRIDAY - 1st SEPTEMBER

Friday next, 1st September, is the first Friday of the month. Mass will be celebrated as follows:-Portarlington: 10am / Killenard: 7.30pm

2012 LOURDES PILGRIMAGE PHOTO

If anyone has a group photograph from the 2012 pilgrimage, can you drop in to the Parish Office where we can copy it.

A PRAYER AS OUR SCHOOLS REOPEN







YEAR "A" #

Loving God, we ask you to wrap our diocesan school family in a cloak of love & protection as our schools reopen. Bless our boards of management & staff as they continue to provide a welcoming & safe learning environment for all. Bless our parents who entrust their children to us, confident we can all work together to help them become the very best that they can be

Bless our pupils, the reason for our being. May they continue to learn well & always know that they are safe, secure & protected in your loving embrace. Gracious God, we are confident that through

the intercession of our own Saints Brigid, Conleth & Laserian, your love & care for each of us always endures. May we show the same love & care for one another in all we do & say this year. Amen



Let Justice and Peace Flow Season of Creation 2023

Season of Creation 2023 runs from September 1st (the World Day of Prayer for Creation) to October 4th (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi). This Season is a wonderful opportunity to respond to the call of Pope Francis to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. The theme for this year's Season is

inspired by the Prophet Amos who cries out: "Let justice roll on like a river

righteousness like a never-failing stream!" (Amos 5: 24). The symbol is that of a 'mighty river': "Listen carefully, I am about to do a new thing, now it will spring forth; will you not be aware of it? I will even put a road in the wilderness, rivers in the desert." (Isaiah 43:19). As we join the river of justice and peace with others then hope is created instead of despair, "for we know that things can change!" (Laudato Si', 13).

to https://www.trocaire.org/ourwork/working-in-ireland/parishes/season-ofcreation-2023/

https://www.catholicbishops.ie/laudato-si/

PORTARLINGTON CONCERT BAND



Conductor & Teacher with Portarlington Concert Band, Gerry Lacey, died suddenly on Wednesday 23rd August. A source of shock and sadness to us all. Band activities suspended until further notice

SAMARITANS

Laois & Kildare



11TH - 15TH SEPTEMBER We need listening volunteers - Will you join us?

Information / recruitment meetings as follows: ಹಿಂತು

Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge, Sept. 12th 7,30pm Glenroval Hotel, Maynooth, Sept. 13th 7,30pm Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise, Sept. 13th 7.30pm Lawlor's Hotel, Naas, Sept. 14th 7.30pm Monasterevin Parish Hall, Sept. 14th 7.30pm

PORTARLINGTON CONCERT GROUP

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the recent Church Gate Collection in aid of CONCERN. Amount collected €810. This money goes towards 'Concern's' many overseas projects.

TREASURE IRELAND

A new video series launched recently by the Irish Dominicans will take the friars to every county in Ireland, filming ten videos in each county, highlighting the many and varied stories that make up the history of Irish Christianity. The series is currently focused on the counties which overlap with the territory of the diocese of Kildare and Leighlin: Laois, Kildare, Carlow, and (soon!) Kilkenny. Some of the sites visited include Timahoe, Rock of Dunamase and the Brownshill Dolmen. The story of Jesuit photographer, Fr. Frank Browne, is told in a video recorded in Emo Court, and that of pioneering scientist, Fr Nicholas Callan, in a video from Maynooth. The stories of the great saints of these counties feature prominently; there are videos on St.

Brigid, St. Mochua, St. Moling, St Fergal of Aghaboe, and the Dominican martyr, Blessed Peter O'Higgins. All of these stories are told in a way designed to interest believers and nonbelievers alike, showing, bit by bit, that the Gospel is woven inseparably into the fabric of Irish history. The videos can be viewed on https://www.kandle.ie/treasureireland/ and https://www.youtube.com/irishdomin icans

PORTARLINGTON CREDIT UNION & AUGUST DRAW RESULTS &

1st Prize: €10,000 to Johanna Stone €2,000 each to: Una Weldon & Robin Evans €1,000 each to: Paul Fitzpatrick & Oonagh Ennis €500 each to: Martina Cash; Patricia Maher; Roland Moore; Chris Duffy; Elizabeth Maree; Brian Noone; Patrick McCormack; Niamh Cullen; Gavin Ward and to Karla Kalozi Damjanic.

PORTARLINGTON & KILLENARD CHARITY BALL

This fabulous night of the year is fast approaching - Saturday 14th October, 2023 in the Heritage Hotel, Killenard. Proceeds are in aid of the very worthy cause "The Midland Hospice Build". Special guest: Claire Byrne. To book your ticket or table for family or friends contact Marie 087-7589896 / Colette 086-2654277 / Maria 086-3058181 / Phyllis 086 8109391.

THANK YOU

Sincere thanks from the Portarlington Lourdes Committee for all who took part or contributed to their recent 5K Walk/Run at the Heritage in Killenard, Amount collected €2.334. Thanks also to the Mary O'Neill of Heritage Hotel Management, for the use of their premises, to Super Valu for refreshments & St. Michael's A.C. who helped out on the day. We also thank Portarlington Credit Union who sponsors the 15 prize of a trip to Lourdes in our annual raffle. The 2023 Pilgrimage was a great success - If anyone wishes to travel with the pilgrimage next August 2024, contact any committee member where you can pay in installments.

PORTARLINGTON COMHALTAS MUSIC CLASSES

'Come and Try@ and registration evening on Fri. 1st September 7.30 - 8.30pm, Venue: St. Michael's Girls Old School, Patrick Street R32 V272. Cost €5 per week. Group classes for beginners to senior level & adults for instruments including tin whistle; fiddle; button accordion; concertina; flute; banio; keyboard and guitar. We are looking forward to seeing new and old faces

RECYCLE YOUR USED STAMPS

If you have any used stamps, please drop them into "The Nook", Patrick Street. These stamps will be sent to the I.S.P.C.C. (Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children), where they will help their fundraising activities.

SLIMMING WORLD

Martina's Slimming World - Portarlington Slimming World - Portarlington Join us Wednesday's at SOLAS Eco Garden Shop, Portarlington R32 RPX8 9:30am - 5:30pm - 7:30pm WhatsApp: Martina 087 7838403

RETURN TO REHEARSALS

Following a successful season with performances of Brahms German Requiem with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra in Carlow Cathedral & in Philharmonie Berlin with Ensemble Crescere, Carlow Choral Society will return to rehearsals on Mon. 4th Sept. in the Cathedral Parish Centre, R93 XV10, with an open evening at 7:30 pm. We are recruiting new members for the coming season and welcome all voice parts. especially tenors and basses. An ability to read music is an advantage but not a prerequisite, as support is provided. For more info contact: www.carlowchoralsociety.net or email carlowchoralsociety@gmail.com.

PORTARLINGTON ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The Club resumes on Thurs. 7th Sept. in the Community Centre from 1.45 - 3.45pm. Open to men & women. Our many activities include bowls, sit-fit, line dancing, guiz, bingo, art and crafts, outings, demonstrations and much more. Phone 087 4460151. New members welcome.

Niamh Kavanagh & Monasterevin Gospel Choir CONCERT



Friday 13th Oct. 2023 commencing 8pm. Venue: St. Peter & Paul's Church, Monasterevin, Tickets €30 each, Booking at: Monasterevin Parish Office 045 525346 / Earley's Fashion Shop 045 525395. Proceeds in aid of St. Peter & Paul's Church & Monasterevin Tidy Towns Concert will NOT be live-streamed on the night

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 BOFIIE2D 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 BOFIIE2D Emo Church No. 1 Account IBAN - IE16 BOFI 9018 1051 4302 54 **Emo Parish Clergy Fund Account** IBAN: IE34 BOFI 9018 1022 2378 77

CARMELITE ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK



The Kildare Carmelite Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sun. 10th Sept. The bus will depart from the Square, Kildare town at 8am sharp. To secure a place on the bus. inquiries to Carmelite Church Shop Kildare or contact Martin Cowley on 087 2553582 or Ester Brady on 087 6732848. Cost €20 per person.

AUTUMN CLASSES Painting Class

Wild flowers in water colours With Jacinta Hughes. To book a place: https://www.thegardenshop.ie/paintingclass

LINE DANCING CLASSES

Classes commence in Portarlington Community Centre, Link Road on Thurs, 7th Sept. at 7.30pm. All levels catered for inthis fun class. No booking required. €8 per class - Pay as you go. For further info. phone John on 086-8333200.

Emo / Rath Parish LOTTO

Numbers 8, 17, 19, 21 - No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following: Hilary Lawlor C/o Deirdre; PJ Kelly C/o PJ; Sam & Vera C/o Vera; Garret Smith C/o Deirdre; Tara O'Regan C/o Maeve Next draw will take place Mon.28th August. Jackpot €2,800.



GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO

21/8/2003 - Week No. 34. Numbers: 28, 10, 9, 16 - No jackpot winner. €50 to each of the following:-Marie Confrey; Nathan & Dylan Carmody; Caroline Kirwan; Ellen & Jamie Conroy; Robbie Keogh. Promoters prize: Jamie Hanlon. Next week's Jackpot €6,600.