



# 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](http://www.kandle.ie)

**SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline: 116 123**

Email: [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)

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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 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2018 – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – YEAR B

### ANNIVERSARIES

#### PORTARLINGTON

**Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> May 10am** Gretta Brogan  
**Tues. 29<sup>th</sup> May 10am** Joseph, Margaret & Dennis Murphy, Ballycullane & dec. members of the Murphy Family  
**Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> May 10am** Owen Kennedy, Patrick Street & Mary McGrath, Limerick  
**Thurs. 31<sup>st</sup> 10am** ---  
**Fri. 1<sup>st</sup> June 10am** Christy Mooney, Kilbride (6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

#### Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May – 6.15pm

Aggie Power, Ullard; Dec. members of the Power Family; Ellen & Danny Malone, Gracefield & dec. members of Malone Family Brigid, Mary & Elizabeth Knight, Patrick St. Elizabeth O'Neill, Marian Hill; Brigid Cooper, Ullard

#### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May – 12.15pm

Maria Magee (nee Mulcahy), Station Road (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.) John, Evelyn, Tony, Maura & Annemarie Ready; Andrew Buckley; Edward & Sarah Roycroft; William Murphy, Cloneyhurke; Patrick Dyer & dec. members of Dyer Family, Bracklone St; Edward, Maisie, Dessie & Eamonn Shortall; Phyllis Hallissey (nee Shortall), St. Michael's Park; Laurence Hyland, Station Rd; Dec. members of the Hyland Family, Station Rd. & the McCormack Family, Kilmullen

#### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – 6.15pm

Patrick (Paddy) Hynan, Portlaoise Rd. (M.M.) Moira Carroll (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.); Stephen O'Reilly, Cushina & Mountmellick (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.); Paddy Earley, The Boundary; Breda, Colm, Mark, Barry, Joanne, Fiona & Martina Maher, Marian Hill

#### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – 12.15pm

Dick Hudson, Avondale (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) Brenda McNally-Grant, Barrowview (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.) Mary Kenny, Station Road

### ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

#### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May – 10.30am

Joseph & Christina Sweeney, Lea Dick Sweeney, Dundrum Conil Boland (31<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) & parents, Sylvester & Sarah Boland & Aunt, Peg Boland Nicholas Fenlon, Lea & Station Road

#### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June – 7.30pm

Lily Slevin, Mount Henry & Corrig

#### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – 10.30am

Sr. Brigid Monaghan, Lea Thomas & Elizabeth Maher, The Hermitage & their Son, Paul Maher

### MASS FOR HEALING

St Paul's Church Emo, Portlaoise Date - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June / Rosary at 7.45 / Mass at 8pm. Celebrant Fr. Eddie Lawlor CC Portlaoise. All are Welcome.

### ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

#### Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May – 7.30pm

Larry Flynn, Emo (18<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) James & Mary Mortimer, Cappakeel William Lynch, Killeen Martin Kelly, Coolbanagher John Kelly, Newbridge & Coolbanagher

#### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May – 11am

Myles Christy, Coolbanagher  
**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – 7.30pm**  
 Mary Delaney, New Inn ( M.M.)  
 Rose Keane, Rath

### ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

#### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May – 9am

Michael Chambers, Ballymorris

#### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – 9am

Mark, Mick & Serena Carroll

### BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:-  
**PORTARLINGTON**

*Cian James Floody, Ballymorris Road  
 Bentley Thomas O'Brien, St. Joseph's Tce.*

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018



Congratulations to the children from  
**Presentation Primary School**  
 &  
**Cloneyhurke National School**

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

### ✠ RECENTLY DECEASED ✠

Your prayers are requested for the following who died during the week:



*Mary (Molly) McMahon, St. Michael's Park  
 Tom Slevin, Dublin & formerly Patrick St.*

### FIRST FRIDAY (1<sup>st</sup> June 2018)

Friday next is the First Friday of the Month.

Masses as follows:-

Rath: Thurs. 31<sup>st</sup> May 9.30am

Emo: Fri. 1<sup>st</sup> June 9.15am

Portarlington: Fri. 1<sup>st</sup> June 10am

Killenard: Fri. 1<sup>st</sup> June 7.30pm



**2018 Collection – Final Total**

Portarlington €8,458

Emo €2,762

### LECTORS (READERS)

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> June

**Portarlington** 6.15pm Margaret Doyle / 9am

Liam Kinsella / 12.15pm Kieran Dunne

**Killenard** 10.30am Stephen Kealy

**Emo** 7.30pm Niamh Conroy /

11am Grace Hanneffy

**Rath** 9am Brian Nolan

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Portarlington Team A

Killenard Team D

### DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR

#### RETIRED PRIESTS

A collection will take place in all parishes in the diocese this weekend, 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> May, to assist with the ongoing support of the Retired priests. Envelope available in your boxes of envelopes & available at the back of the Church. Cheques can be made payable to :- **Portarlington No. 1 A/C or Emo No. 1 A/C.**

### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Bishop Denis Nulty invites you to join with him and parishioners from across the diocese at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock on Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> June with the Diocesan Choir directed by Fr. Liam Lawton. Ceremonies begin at 2.30pm in the Basilica. Cost of bus to Knock €20 per head. To book transport & for further information contact: The Parish Office, Portarlington (057) 8643004 / Josie Hanlon, Portarlington 086-3425944 or Vera Moran, Emo 086-2515271. Bus leaving SuperValu at 8am and Emo at 8.30am on the morning.

### INVALID PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

The Invalid Pilgrimage will travel to Knock Shrine on Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> June, which will coincide with the Diocesan Pilgrimage. 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). Enq: to Teresa 087-1343174 or Mary 087 7870889.

### CHURCH COLLECTORS JUNE 2018

St. Paul's Church, Emo 7.30pm Willie Keegan

& Michael Whyte Jnr. / 11am Pat Keegan

Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am

Henry McLoughlin & Tommy Wilson

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

#### SACRAMENT (JUNE)

Emo: 3-6pm Willie Keegan & Frances Kerry

Rath: 2.30-5.30pm ---

## **KANDLE FAMILY FUN DAY**



### **Kildare & Leighlin Diocese**

Do you remember Punchestown? Well, if you enjoyed Punchestown, you'll love what we have planned for the Kandle Family Fun Day, taking place in the grounds of Carlow College, St Patrick's on Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> from 2-6pm. If you didn't get to Punchestown, don't miss out on this afternoon of family fun, hosted by our diocese as part of its preparation for the World Meeting of Families in August. Bring a picnic and from 2pm onwards enjoy the music of the Garda Band, Music Generation's own youth trad. orchestra – Reelig, Carlow Youth Orchestra, Presentation School Band and many other musicians and dancers. Official opening by Bishop Denis will take place around 3 pm, after the Garda band. More details on [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

### **WORKSHOP FOR PARENT / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS OF PRIMARY PUPILS ON MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS INITIATIVE**

This presentation is aimed at parent/caregiver or guardian of children in primary school. As a result of this presentation, participants will: Gain a better understanding of mental health and the key issues impacting on the mental health of young people. The presentation will offer practical tips on how to best support and promote the mental health of all children and is not targeted at children with specific mental health issues. **Venue:** Laois Education Centre, Block Road, Portlaoise / Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> May from 7-8.30pm - **Facilitator:** Frankie Andrews, Primary Teacher & Mental Health Trained Facilitator

### **LAOIS ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY**

#### **Social Club on tour**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June - 2.30pm – 4.30pm in Droimnín Nursing Home, Brockley Park Droimnín, Co Laois R32 C558  
Pop in for a cuppa and a chat

#### **Support Group**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm-9pm in Old Parochial House, Portlaoise

The support groups provide an opportunity to meet others in a similar situation, to access information and practical advice in supportive environment. Free to family members affected by dementia and memory issues. For any information on dementia contact Ann Munnally on 057 866 3398/086 8372168

Home-care Coordinator Old Parochial House, Dublin Road Portlaoise Co Laois  
Email [laois.branch@alzheimer.ie](mailto:laois.branch@alzheimer.ie)

### **MARRIAGE & FAMILY IS FIRST & FOREMOST AN OPPORTUNITY**

Mount St. Anne's Retreat & Conference Centre, Killenard. Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> July from 10am-4pm.

In preparation for the next World Meeting of Families in August 2018 we invite you to an interactive day exploring marriage and family as well as the practical accompaniment of families today. This day would be beneficial to those engaged in pastoral ministry within parishes / those involved in marriage preparation or marriage enrichment and those who work in baptismal preparation / Would be an ideal preparation for all potential attendees to the WMOF. Facilitated by Elizabeth Davies & Tony Hanna. Cost €50 (includes lunch). Booking essential – Closing date 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Phone The Secretary, Mount St. Anne's 057 8626153. Email [msannes@eircom.net](mailto:msannes@eircom.net)

### **ST. BRIGID'S ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP GARRYHINCH / CLONEYHURKE**

Book club meeting on Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm.  
All very welcome.

## **EMIGRANT NEWSLETTER**

Committee meeting will take place in Fr. Noonan's house on **Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm.** Since a number of the Committee have retired, we are looking for new members and fresh ideas. If you would like to keep the Newsletter going, please feel free to join us at Wednesday's meeting in Fr. Noonan's house, Patrick Street. Just come along and you will be most welcome.

## **AIFREANN NA CLAINNE**



**Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> June at the 12.15pm Mass in St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton.**

Around 40 singers from 4 different choirs will join together on Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> at 12.15pm Mass in Portarlinton to sing a new Mass setting composed by Portarlinton native Tom Conroy called "Aifreann Na Clainne" (The Family Mass). The choirs will sing a Mass setting live on RTE One TV on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July along with Bishop Denis Nulty saying the Mass.

### **FREE TRANSPORT – VOLUNTEER DRIVERS**

Volunteer drivers needed in the Offaly area to drive Offaly patients to and from their chemotherapy appointments in Tullamore Hospital and to our partner Dublin hospitals - St. Vincent's University Hospital, Mater Hospital, Tallaght Hospital and St. James's Hospital. All volunteer expenses are paid. If interested contact Gail 01 2310 566 or visit the Society's website at [irishcancer.ie](http://irishcancer.ie)

### **VINTAGE FILM NIGHT**

Tickets for the vintage film night on 6<sup>th</sup> June in the Dunamais Arts Centre are now available from Martin Whelan, Central Stores, Main Street, Portarlinton, price €10 each. This is a unique opportunity to see film of Dublin and Portarlinton from the 1920's which has never been shown in public before. Tickets are strictly limited so get yours now. All proceeds in aid of the Lea Castle Conservation Fund.

### **PORTARLINGTON JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB**

The club welcomes new members. Junior membership entitles the child to free participation in Summer activities program. Each weekday afternoon Mon. to Fri. for 8 weeks in July & August. Rackets & balls provided. Very few places available in Tony's Child Coaching classes. If interested Ring 087-1231135.



### **VACANCIES – CE SCHEME**

CES-2073243 Receptionist / Administrator (Mountmellick) & CES-2073242 Arts Centre Administrator (Mountmellick). Vacancies for people who have computer / admin skills, good telephone manner, interpersonal and communication skills. Closing date 30<sup>th</sup> May. Contact Sharon on 057-8644150  
[mercescheme@gmail.com](mailto:mercescheme@gmail.com).

### **LITTLE STARS PLAYSCHOOL GRACEFIELD**

Enrolling for September 2018. ECCE & Non-ECCE places available. Enrol by contacting Lisa 057-8643633 / 087-6441853.

### **O'DEMPSEY'S G.A.A. LOTTO RESULTS**

Results 21<sup>st</sup> May. Numbers 02,11,19,21. Jackpot winner Caroline Smith (Promoter Helen Whelehan). Match 3 winners were: Phil Donohoe, Geraldine Davis, Liam Kavanagh, James Whelehan, and Dick Donohoe. Promoter - Willie Bannon. Next week's Jackpot: €1,000. Thanks for your continued support of our weekly lotto.



## **NOVENA TO THE SACRED**

### **HEART**

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May until  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
Prayer leaflets available at the  
Church Porches.

### **FESTIVAL OF FAMILIES**

Registration for Festival of Families & the Closing Mass on Sunday can be done as part of registering for three days or one day of the Pastoral Congress in the RDS. The diocesan day at the congress is Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

Registration can be done online at:  
[www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Tickets](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Tickets)

### **CEMETERY MASSES 2018**



**Killenard – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July – 7.30pm**  
**Portarlinton - Fri. 13<sup>th</sup> July – 7.30pm**  
**Emo New Cemetery – Fri. 20<sup>th</sup> July – 7.30pm**  
**Emo Old Cemetery – Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> Aug. 7.30pm**

### **EMO / RATH PARISH LOTTO 21<sup>st</sup> May**

Numbers 1, 13, 14, 17 – No Jackpot winner.  
€25 to each of the following:-  
Patti McLoughlin C/o Maeve; Louise Allen C/o Emo Shop; Lill O'Connor C/o Vera; Mary Hennessy C/o Martha; Martin Crowley C/o Hilary.  
**Next week's jackpot €15,200**

**Set of keys found in St. Michael's Church. Call into the Parish Office.**

### **NATIONAL DAWN WALK**



The National Dawn Walk takes place on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June in Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow to raise much needed funds & awareness for the Irish Cancer Society, Crumlin Medical Research Foundation & LauraLynn Hospice. For further info. phone 086 3896534 or [info@nationaldawnwalk.com](mailto:info@nationaldawnwalk.com)  
All very welcome.

### **PRAYER FOR EXAMS**



*Lord, as I prepare for my exams  
help me to study well.  
Help me to stay calm and  
not become over anxious.  
Let Your Spirit guide me and  
help me to remember what  
is truly important in life.  
Help me during the exams  
to remember what I have  
studied and to present my  
answers to the best of my ability.  
Lord, stay close to me and  
help me in my studies.*



### **LAOIS AGE FRIENDLY / LAOIS PPN**

Tea Dance in the Abbeyleix Manor Hotel, Abbeyleix on Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> May from 2pm to 5pm. RSVP to Geraldine Delaney – 057 8664017 before 25<sup>th</sup> May.

### **PORT. TRAIL WALKING GROUP**



Beginner's walks every Monday night at 7.30pm from Park Lane, Car Park. We also do walks on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6.45pm. Come along & join us. Ph: Donie 086-3288858.