



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



Sunday 4th December, 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 28th 10am ---
Tues. 29th 10am Dec. members of the Doyle Family, Naas
Wed. 30th 10am ---
Thurs. 1st Dec. 10am David Murray, Liverpool (1st Anniv.); Jim & Bridie Ryan, Clonmel & Cork
Fri. 2nd Dec. 10am --

Saturday 26th November – 6.15pm

Bridie Hyland, Declan Murphy, Woodbrook; Gerard & Esther Kelly, St. Michael's Park & Anne Hyland (nee Kelly); Sarah Keogh & Dec. members of the Keogh Family, St. Patrick's Tce.; Molly Wyer, Cushina; Nell McHugh, Joseph & Mary Rafter, deceased members of the Rafter Family, Raheen; Jim & Mai Murphy, St. Brigid's Sq.; Willa Murphy, Droughill

Sunday 27th November – 12.15pm

Kathleen Mangan, Crann Nua (1st Anniv.); Elizabeth Keane, Station Road; George, Kay & Mae Dempsey & Dec. members of the Dempsey Family, Treascon; Patsy & Esther Murphy, Station Rd. & Lea; William, Anne & Mai Doyle, Treascon; Kathleen & John Murphy, London & Treascon; Timothy & Eilish Devaney, Nenagh & Treascon; Michael, David & Marian O'Brien, London & Dec. members of the O'Connor Family, Treascon; Colin Loughran; Garreth Keogh Snr., Patrick Street

Saturday 3rd December – 6.15pm

Michael & Maureen Mulligan, Bishopswood; James & Christina Lawrence, Annamoe, Denis Delaney, Spa St, Marie Crofton, Patrick St,
Sunday 4th December – 12.15pm
Adam Finlay, Crowe Lane (4th Anniv.); Peg O'Connor (4th Anniv.) & Joe O'Connor (59th Anniv.), Bracklone Street; Dec. members of the Bourke, Walsh, Douglas, O'Meara & Dunne Families; Elizabeth Flanagan, Glasshouse; James Jaffray, Station Road; Ned & Mindy Kelly, St. Michael's Park (30th Anniv.)

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 27th November – 10.30am

Maura Conroy, formerly Killenure (M.M.)
Michael (Mick) Hall, Monasterevin, (1st Anniv.)
Jim McDonnell, Springfield & deceased members of the Durken & McDonnell Families,
Michael Quigley, Killenard,
Jacinta McQuillan, Dundalk

Sunday 4th December – 10.30am

Una Kehoe, Ballycarroll
James & Bridie Keogh, Rathleash, Fr. Tom Keogh & dec. members of the Keogh Family;
Alice Lalor, Rathleash

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR :-

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 26th November – 7.30pm

Jack & Maureen Nerney, Cappakeel
Jim Nerney, The Poplars, Cappakeel
Sunday 27th November – 11am
Catherine Horne & deceased members of the Horne Family; John & Bridget Christie Coolbanagher

Saturday 3rd December – 7.30pm

Nuala Hyland, Morette (1st)

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:



PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Luke Patrick Ferguson, Mount Henry Drive
Darren John Walker, Arlington Estate
Emmanuel Ayadele Hwastrup, Garryhinch
Victoria Subusola Hwastrup, Garryhinch
Olaoluwa Comfort Hwastrup, Garryhinch
Jayden Philip Mulpeter-Cullen, Kilnacourt

EMO PARISH

Ariya Bo Roker, Jamestown

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY

HOLY DAY – THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER

Masses for the Holy Day will be celebrated as follows:-

Portarlington: 10am & 7.30pm

Killenard: 10.30am

Rath: 9am Emo: 7.30pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington each Sunday of Advent from 3pm – 5pm.

CHRISTMAS STATIONS - THANK YOU

Sincere thanks to all the parishioners who contributed so generously to the recent collection for the support of the priests of the parish.

LECTORS - NEXT WEEKEND



Portarlington



Killenard

Emo

Rath

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS

ROTAS FOR NOV. 2016 – NOV. 2017

The Lectors Rota and the Eucharistic Ministers Rota for November 2016 to November 2017 (Excluding Christmas & Easter) is displayed on the notice boards in the Church. If you require a copy of same please call into the Sacristy, where copies are available, alternatively a copy can be e-mailed or posted to you upon request. Sincere thanks for you all your service during the past year. If there are any Parishioners who wish to become Eucharistic Ministers or Lectors (Readers), please contact the Parish Office.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

THIS WEEKEND – 26th / 27th NOVEMBER

PORTARLINGTON TEAM B

KILLENARD TEAM C

CHURCH COLLECTORS DECEMBER

St. Paul's Church, Emo

Sat. 7.30pm PJ Gleeson & Joe McDermott
Sun. 11am Seamus Fitzpatrick & Martin Dunne

Sacred Heart Church, Rath

9am John Dunne & David O'Connell

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT SUN. 4TH DECEMBER

During the winter months the Exposition has been changed to the following times:
Emo 3-6pm Jimmy McEvoy & Tony Connell
Rath 2.30 – 4.30pm ---

TROCAIRE

Give a gift this Christmas. This is just one gift that can transform people's lives. Choose from Trocaire's range of gifts & help more people fight poverty & injustice. Freephone 1850 408 408 or online at 222.trocaire.org/gifts.

ST. MICHAEL'S FOLK CHOIR

This Folk Choir will sing at the 12.15pm Mass on Sunday next, 4th December.

ST. MICHAEL'S FOLK CHOIR Christmas Carol Service



Sunday 18th December 2016

**in St. Michael's Church Portarlinton
Commencing at 5pm**

Come along with your family & friends to enjoy traditional Carols along with some festive cheer. Treats for all the children & for the grown-up's who join in!

LAOIS HERITAGE SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY



Will take place on Sun. 11th December at 1.30pm for 2pm. Venue: The Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise. Four course Christmas menu €25 per person. Early booking essential, without delay contact Margo on 086-8440875.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS APPEAL COLLECTION

St. Michael's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting at all Masses in the Parish of Portarlinton this weekend (Sat. 3rd & Sun. 4th Dec.) Your generosity would be greatly appreciated.

LAOIS M.A.B.S.

Money, advice & budgeting service

MABS Outreach will attend on Friday 9th December from 9am – 1pm in Portarlinton Community Centre – NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY For further information please ring 0761 072620

CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

The 4th Annual Christmas Extravaganza will take place once more in the Heritage Hotel Killenard on Sunday December 18th at 8pm. Tickets now on sale and can be bought from Julia Leavy, Ann (Bourke) Dunne, Margaret Guijt Lawlor & Lillie Shiels. Also call to the Love Port office in the Community Centre. Tickets €10. Proceeds this year to the Portarlinton Lourdes Invalid Fund & the Portarlinton Community Development Association ongoing Projects. A great night assured as usual.



EMIGRANT NEWSLETTER 2016

The Emigrant Newsletter is on sale in the following shops. Centra, Kilmalogue, Spar Express, Station Rd. Burbage's Supermarket, Fletchers, Central Stores, Bracklone St. & the Post Office, Portarlinton. It is also available from the Parish Office - €3



TEACH MUIRE PRAYING COMMUNITY

Mass for Healing will be celebrated in St. Paul's Church, Emo on Tues. 6th December at 8pm. Celebrant Fr. Jim Bermingham.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Dancing every Monday night in The Gandon Inn, from 9.30pm to 11.30pm in aid of Portarlinton St Vincent de Paul. Come along for a great night out. Adm: €7.

FUNDRAISER

PORTARLINGTON SENIOR CITIZENS

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sun. 4th Dec. (today) in the Pint-O-Port. Music by JL Sound. Cover charge €3. Come along and support our Senior Citizens.

AUTISM STUDIES

UCC Online Certificate in Autism Studies

Registration for this part-time online course (Level 6 Certificate) is open until Friday 16th Dec. Details & registration online at www.ucc.ie/en/ace-caus/, Ph: 021-490 4700.

LEISURE CENTRE, PORTARLINGTON

GRACEFIELD / WALSH ISLAND

COMMUNITY GAMES

Any children from the area who are interested in taking part in Cross Country / Swimming Table Quiz / Gymnastics for May weekend festival in 2017 please contact area Secretary, Pauline Gallagher on 086-8268176

O'DEMPSEY'S GAA

AUGMENTED PARISH CHOIR



For Christmas Eve Carol Service, sung Midnight Mass and Charity Concert. Practice will take place Tues. next, 29th Nov. at 7.30pm (sharp) in the Choir loft of St. Michael's Church. All welcome. Fáilte, Witamy. Kuwakaribisha. Excellent standard so far!

YOUTH 2000 CHRISTMAS RETREAT

Youth 2000 Ireland will be holding their annual Christmas youth retreat in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare from Fri. 16th – Sun. 18th Dec. 2016. Over 600 young people aged 16-35 years are expected to attend this donation only event, with all newcomers welcome. The weekend consists of an action packed programme including prayer, workshops, drama, inspirational talks, testimonies, music, games and chill out time. It's a great opportunity to learn more about your Catholic faith and to meet other young people. Please book online if you are interested & bring a sleeping bag if you wish to avail of on-site accommodation. Retreat starts with registration on Friday evening. Free buses also available. Further info. 222.Youth2000.ie & see us on Facebook.

CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S / FAMILY MASS

A Children's / Family Mass will be celebrated in St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton at 6pm on Christmas Eve this year. If there are any children in the Parish who would like to take part in a nativity play during the Mass please contact Sinead Dunne on 087-9062942.

EMO PARISH LOTTO 21/11/16



Numbers 4,11,13,23. No jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following:- Shirley Dempsey, c/o Anne Áine Lalor, c/o Martha, Paddy Bourke, c/o Parish Office, Ann Maloney, c/o Tom, Jim Keller, c/o Martha, Next week's Jackpot €2,200

LEA CASTLE A.G.M.

Monday 5th December at 8pm in Portarlinton Community Centre. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS FAIR



Rath National School Parent's Council are hosting a Christmas Fair on Sun. 27th Nov. (today) from 12 noon – 5pm in Rath Community Centre. There will be various stalls on the day, Christmas decorations, Christmas cards, jams and chutneys, breads & cakes, tea & coffee, face painting, bottle stall, cupcake competition, school choir and much more! Please come along & support the Parent's Council.

SOCIAL DANCE LESSONS

Waltz, Jive, Quick Step, Fox Trot & Line Dance. Every Wednesday night from 8pm in St. Brigid's Social Club, Garryhinch. No partner required. Light refreshments served. Brush up on your skills and learn new moves by keeping fit and having fun. Contact Heather on 087-9322783.

GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND



Christmas cards and 2017 Calendars now on sale in the Parish Office. Calendars €8 each / Pack of 8 cards €6. All proceeds go to the Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind Organisation.