

✠ PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO ✠



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

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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 28th APRIL, 2019 – SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – YEAR 'C'

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 29th April 10am Kathleen Lawlor, Portlaoise Road
Tues. 30th April 10am Kevin Barry, Patrick St.
Wed. 1st May 10am Mary & William Blanc; William Blanc Jr., Teresa Blanc & Eileen Blanc
Thurs. 2nd May 10am Michael & Kathleen Daly, St. Joseph's Tce.
Fri. 3rd May 10am Tommy Dunne, Patrick's Ave. (33rd Anniversary)

Saturday 27th April – 6.15pm

Milo Bracken, Avondale (5th Anniv.)
 Pa Whelan, Deerpark & dec. members of the Whelan Family; Arthur & Phyllis Hutchinson & dec. members of the Hooks Family; Hughie & Grainne Emerson, Bishopswood Road; Mai & Johnie Lalor, Cloneyhurke; James & Annie Knight, Seskin; Mary Milner; Margaret & John Delaney, Lough; Joseph, Bridget & Eamon Coleman, Kilnacourt; Bernard & Ellen Yarrow; Christopher O'Brien, St. Michael's Park; Dec. members of the O'Brien Family, Ballycarroll.

Sunday 28th April – 12.15pm

Michael Bourke, St. Brigid's Sq. (14th Anniv.)
 Mollie & Albert Evans; Thomas Keegan Jr. & Snr. Cloneyquinn; Tom & Bridie McNulty, Droughill

Saturday 4th May – 6.15pm

Patrick (Paddy) Hynan, Portlaoise Rd. (1st Anniv.); John & Elizabeth Callaghan, St. Michael's Pk; Edward Moore, Patrick's Tce. (45th Anniv.); Son, John Moore & Daughter Sheila Bradley-Moore, & Daughter in Law Kathleen Moore, Manchester

Sunday 5th May – 12.15pm

Anastasia Hooper (nee Costello), Manchester & formerly St. Patrick's Tce. (M.M.) & her husband Peter Hooper, Angela McEvoy, St. Joseph's Tce. (3rd Anniv.); Margaret (Peggy) Murphy, Assumpta Tce. (10th Anniv.); John Joe Cummins, Marian Hill; Charles McKeagney, Orchard Drive (15th Anniv.); Sheila & Thomas Troy & deceased members of the Troy Family, Bracklone St.

ANNIVERSARIES – KILLENARD

Sunday 28th April – 10.30am

Peter Maher, Ballintogher (5th Anniv.); Maurice Dalton & Ann Fox Dalton; Terry Behan, Tierhogar; Elizabeth Donnelly, Killenard & Bridget (Bidni) Donnelly, Monasterevin; Phil O'Hora, Killenard; Keelin Fox

Friday 3rd May – 7.30pm – First Friday

Madge Mulhall, Ballintogher (2nd Anniv.)

Sunday 5th May – 10.30am

Tom Whelehan, Closelands (3rd Anniv.)
 Tom McCormack; Jimmy & Liam McCormack, Lea Road



ANNIVERSARIES – EMO

Saturday 27th April – 7.30pm
 Frank Langford, Emo; Edward Fenlon, Killimy; Tiernan Whyte, Coolbanagher
Sunday 28th April – 11am
 Mary Delaney, New Inn (1st Anniv.)
Saturday 4th May – 7.30pm
 Tom & Bridget Fitzpatrick & Lily Fitzpatrick, Dangans
Sunday 5th May – 11am
 Michael & Mary Dooley & their son Kieran Dooley, Morette

ANNIVERSARIES – RATH

Sunday 28th April – 9am

Narissa Carroll, Rath

Sunday 5th May – 9am

Pat Cullen, Fisherstown (M.M.)
 Rose Dunne, Coolroe (M.M.)

EASTER COLLECTION

FOR THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed so generously to the recent collection for the Priests of the Parish.

TROCAIRE BOXES

All outstanding Trocaire boxes should be returned as soon as possible. Please do not leave the Trocaire boxes on the seats or around the Church. Amount collected to date:-
Portarlington €7,523 / Emo €3,420

MONTH OF MAY – MARY'S MONTH

The month of May is often called 'Mary's Month.' There are many beautiful ways to venerate the Blessed Virgin Mary in May. It is common to create a May altar, to place a statue or picture of Mary in a more prominent location in the church, school, community, hospital, nursing home, workplace or home, and to decorate it with flowers. In whatever way we venerate the Mother of God, we know that she is the one who leads us to her Son, who intercedes for us now and at the hour of our death.



An Irishwoman's Rosary

*I bless myself and kiss the Cross,
 And the holy Creed I tell;
 And the paters and aves trip off my tongue,
 For it's me that knows them well;
 For it's many a day these same old beads
 I told in the same old way;
 I got them my first communion morn.
 And that's sixty years this May.
 (Collected in Effin, County Limerick)*



LECTORS (4th / 5th May)

Portarlington: 6.15pm Sat. Sarah Dunne / 9am Sun. Dan Fingleton / 12.15pm Sun. Emma Dunne
Killenard: 10.30am Kieran Kehoe
Emo: Sat. 7.30pm Emmet Conroy / 11am Paul Donnelly
Rath: 9am Margaret Donohoe

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS (4th / 5th May)

Portarlington – Team D
 Killenard- Team C

PORTARLINGTON LECTORS

Rota from end April 2019 – end November 2019 sent out to all Lectors
 Rota from end April 2019 to end November 2019 for Eucharistic Ministers available on church notice board or in the Parish Office.

TEACH MHUIRE PRAYING COMMUNITY



Mass for Healing on Tues. 7th May in St. Paul's Church Emo. Rosary 7.45pm at the Grotto. Mass 8pm. Celebrant Fr. Eddie Lalor CC Portlaoise.

FIRST FRIDAY – FRI. 3RD MAY, 2019

Friday next is the First Friday of the month. Masses as follows:-
Portarlington: Friday 10am
Killenard: Friday 7.30pm
Emo: Friday 9.15am
Rath: Thurs. 9.30am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT SUN. 5TH MAY, 2019

Emo 3-6pm Michael Nerney & Teresa Coman
Rath 2.30-5.30pm Fergus Byron & George Doyle

CHURCH COLLECTORS MAY

St. Paul's Church, Emo

7.30pm Aidan Crowley & Pat Keegan
 11am Michael Moloney & Seamus Fitzpatrick
Sacred Heart Church, Rath
 9am Tommy Wilson & John Lowry

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – TODAY!



Saint Brochan's Church

Bracknagh 2-4pm

Mass celebrated by Fr Sean Hyland

Moore Abbey Chapel 2pm

Tenor Dominic McGorian / Pianist Tom Conroy.



COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMME

Community & Voluntary groups are invited to apply for Community Enhancement Programme to support small-scale funding for projects which range from purchasing lawnmowers and IT equipment to minor renovations to buildings. Ultimately the programme responds to local needs and also provides funding towards larger projects. Application forms and guidelines are available from dce@laoiscoco.ie or by phone 057 8664206/8664169.

ST. BRIGID'S COMMUNITY CENTRE Free Information Evening

Recognising the warning signs of choking, heart attack, stroke and cardiac arrest and how to treat same. Information evening takes place Thurs. 2nd May at 8pm in the Hall. Facilitator Brendan Whelan (Advanced Paramedic). All very welcome. FREE!

CHILDMINDER AVAILABLE

Experienced Mum available to mind children in own home, situated in Cloncosney / Mountmellick area. Home from home environment catering for all ages (baby / toddler / preschool / afterschool). BA Hons Degree in Early Childhood Education & Montessori Diploma. Contact Laura Lawlor laurafarrell01@gmail.com 085-7405057.

B SHARP ANNUAL SHOWCASE

B sharp Annual showcase takes place in Judge Roy Beans, Killenard on Thurs. 9th and Friday 10th May at 7.30pm. Tickets are €10 each on sale from Eamonn Brackens menswear shop main street or Conor 086-1639153 and Keith 085-7516595. Tickets will be limited but can be purchased at the door if ordered. Great night of talent and entertainment guaranteed. Also register anytime for any instrument or voice for last term by contacting us on above numbers.

SKILLS, EDUCATION & JOBS FAIR

(Idea generation bootcamp & employment opportunities in the Midlands)
Mount Lucas Training Centre, Daingean R35 XW10. From 10am-2pm 17th May 2019. The Regional Transition Team is hosting the above event in Mount Lucas Training Centre. This event is organised solely for the casual, seasonal and fulltime employees of Bord na Mona but all are welcome. Businesses with regional job opportunities in the manufacturing and construction will attend and a number of job offers will be made on the day. To register your interest in attending, call Rita on 057-9362508.

TOMMY RYAN MEMORIAL ROAD RUN

In aid of Laois Riding for the Disabled Today, Sun. 28th April. Starting & finishing at Crean's, Vicarstown inn. Reg. €20. Sign on from 11.45 – 1pm. Commencing 1.30pm sharp. All cars and motorbikes welcome from vintage to present day. Your support is welcomed. Further info. from Tom on 087-2654001.

St. Patrick's Boys National School Portarlinton presents
LIP SYNC BATTLES
Sunday 5th May 2019
in Heritage Hotel, Killenard
Show at 8 p.m.
Doors open 7 p.m.
Tickets €20
No. 315
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ST. BRIGID'S ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB

Garryhinch / Cloneyhurke



Book Club – Wed. 1st May at 8pm
All welcome.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St Vincent de Paul Church Gate Collection will take place in aid of the local St Michael's Conference this weekend of 27th / 28th April. All donations made will go to the benefit of the local community in Portarlinton, Killenard, Emo and Rath districts. We look forward to your continuing support.

SUAIMHNEAS – CAPPAKEEL – EMO



Introduction to EFT (Emotion Freedom Techniques)

Sat. 4th May 3-5pm. It's a wonderfully simple, easy to learn method that can help you deal with your stress, anxiety and negative emotions. All welcome.

"Awakening to who you are"

2 Day – 18th May / 29th June - Introduces participants to a pathway of personal development / spiritual awakening.

Power of Now

Sun. 19th May 10am-4.30pm. An exploration & experience of Eckhard Tolle's teachings.

Thursday's at Suaimhneas

Meditation & Prayer 3.30-4.30pm
Mindfulness Meditation Practice 7.30pm-8.30pm

Further information & other weekly workshops visit www.suaimhneas.ie

057-8626541. info@suaimhneas.ie

Spaces are limited so booking is essential



UPCOMING EVENTS AT MOUNT ST ANNE'S

Prayerful Meditation Day

Sat. 11th May 10am-3.30pm – A day of prayerful relaxation in a beautiful peaceful setting. Facilitated by Sr. Breda O'Shea. Cost: €25 (please bring packed Lunch) Tea/Coffee provided.

Pilgrim Paths & The Celtic Camino – Public talk with John O'Dwyer. Wed. 22nd May at 7.30pm. In 2012 John walked the pilgrim paths of Ireland from Slemish in Co. Antrim to Skellig Michael in Co. Kerry. In his talk, John will recount his own feelings and experiences, along with the many entertaining and insightful characters and echoes from the historic past he encountered on his Irish Pilgrim Journey.

This talk will be followed by the launch of Mount St. Anne's Strategic Plan 2019-2023

GROW

Community Health Movement

"GROW" meets every Thurs. at 2.30pm in the Social Services Centre, Link Road. Contact Assumpta 086-8114135. Visit www.grow.ie.

BABY MASSAGE CLASS

Course starting Mon. 13th May & following 3 Mondays 20th, 27th May and 10th June from 10am to 11.30am at Yogaland Studio Portarlinton. Details & Booking 086-8890005.

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB

Lotto results 16.4.2019

Letters: I, S, A, R – No Jackpot winner. €25 to Paula Lowry & Paul Kelly. Sellers prize: Alan Dunne. Next Jackpot €10,000. Draw will take place in the Barrow Lodge on 30th April, 2019.

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The 2019 Pilgrimage will take place from the 8th to the 15th August 2019 - 7 nights full board Hotel Solitude****. Price €839 per person sharing. Transport to airport included. Just a few seats remaining.

Contact Marie 087-7589896 or Vera 087-9311813 or Any Committee Member.

Portarlinton Lourdes Fund Sponsored 5K Walk / Run



Sun. 19th May at the Heritage Track in Killenard commencing 11am. Register at 10am in the Leisure Centre, The Heritage. Cost €10. Sponsored by McLoughlin's Supervalu. Refreshments afterwards in the hotel. All very welcome.

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO

Next Jackpot 22nd April - €3,400

LOUGH DERG RETREATS

Lough Derg One Day Retreats begin on Sat. 4th May & continue on 5th 6th 11th 12th 14th 9th 21st 25th 26th and 27th. Why not take some time & space on Lough Derg personally or as a parish group? A NEW event for those who serve in lay parish ministry, is our Parish Ministry Day Sat. 18th May. Booking essential. Tel: 071 9861518. info@loughderg.org

Web: www.loughderg.org

LAOIS ARTHOUSE, STRADBALLY



Laois Arthouse in Stradbally will host a number of creative events for the month of May for Laois Bealtaine Festival. These include: the launch of 'Fiesta' on Wed. 1st May. "Budding writers" of an older age have the chance to take part in a series of creative writing workshops with well known writer Jean O'Brien. Running on Wednesday's 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th May at 11am at the Arthouse. Booking essential – Limited numbers.

For anyone who would like to try pottery there is a lovely series of workshops called "Reconnect" running over three weeks, with resident ceramic artist Cathy Whelan. On Friday's 3rd, 10th & 17th May from 11.30am-1pm. Booking essential for both of the above. Limited numbers - T: 057 8664033/13 or E: artsoff@laoiscoco.ie

PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY



Knitting Group

The knitting group continues to meet every Friday morning 10:30-12:30. 057-8643751.

LAOIS ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY

Laois Alzheimer's Society Resource Centre at 47 Main Street Portlaoise is open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm. Tea Day 2nd May. Celebrating 25 years of supporting the 55,000 people living with dementia in Ireland. Join us as one of the following Venues:

Parish Centre, Portlaoise 10am-12.30pm
Portarlinton Further Education Centre, Bracklone St. 1.30-2.40pm
Ballard Lodge, Borris Rd., Portlaoise 3pm.
For any information on dementia contact Ann Munnally on 057-8663398 / 086-8372168
Home-care Coordinator
laois.branch@alzheimer.ie