

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.

DIocese www.kandle.ie **SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline:** 116 123 Email: jo@samaritans.org

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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.



World Communications Day

CELEBRATION OF MASS VIA WEBCAM

Link to live streaming from

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington>



Portarlington & Emo Parish
@EmoParish

Sunday 29th May 2022 - The Ascension of the Lord - Year C

WEEKEND ANNIVERSARY

PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 28th May - 6.15pm

Laurence (Lar) Dempsey, Clondoolusk (2nd Anniv.); Paddy Dowling, St. Joseph's Tce. (3rd Anniv.); Stephen O'Reilly, Cushina (6th Anniv.); Ronan Yarrow (B/Day Rem.); Jack & Sally Dowling, Mountmellick; Hughie & Grainne Emerson, Bishopswood Rd; John & Raymond Whelan, Patrick St; Ned Murphy (The Kruger), St. Michael's Park (22nd Anniv.); Elizabeth O'Neill, Marian Hill

Sun. 29th May - 12.15pm

Danny, Ellen & James Malone, Gracefield; Dec. members of the Malone Family; Pdraig Douglas, Bishopswood; Paul Nolan, Gracefield; John & Elizabeth Harney, Cushina; John & Elizabeth Cleary, Cushina; John, Evelyn, Tony, Maura & Anne Marie Reddy & Andrew Buckley; Maria Magee (nee Mulcahy), Station Rd. (7th Anniv.); Robert Francis Magee, Station Rd; Dec. members of the Mulcahy & Magee Families; Michael & Sarah Slevin, French Church St; Andrew Turley; Julia Horan, Church View

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARY

PORTARLINGTON 10am

Mon. 30th May

Joe & Mary O'Reilly, Cushina

Tues. 31st May

Paul Nolan, Gracefield (2nd Anniv.)

Wed. 1st June

Christy Mooney, Kilbride (10th Anniv.)

Thurs. 2nd June

Julia & Edward Moore; & their son, George Moore, Garryhinch

Fri. 3rd June

Margaret Lawlor, Cushina

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sun. 29th May - 10.30am

Julie Slevin, Garryvacum; Conal Boland, Rathfarnham, Dublin, parents, Sylvester & Sarah Boland, Peig Boland, Ballycarroll

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Sat. 28th May - 7.30pm

William Lynch Snr., Killeen; Richard & Helen (Nellie) Strong, Coolbanagher; John Kelly, Newbridge & Coolbanagher; Mollie Lewis, Morette; Jack & Eili Carroll, Dublin

Sun. 29th May - 11am

James & Mary Mortimer, Cappakeel

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sun. 29th May - 9am

Ang O'Connell, Bellgrove

DECEASED - R. I. P.

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

Niall Nolan, Rathleash
Sandu Vasile, Kilnacourt
Garrett Knight, Seskin

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism:

Emo Parish

Ailbhe Marie O'Connor, Riverside
Andrew Thomas Mulhare, Rath
Oisín Thomas Plunkett, Courtwood
Jamie Patrick O'Connor, Coolaghy

CEMETERY MASS



St. John's Cemetery, Killenard

Fri. 1st July at 7.30pm

St. Michael's Cemetery, Portarlington

Fri. 8th July at 7.30pm

Emo New Cemetery

Fri. 29th July at 7.30pm

Emo Old Cemetery

Sat. 13th August at 7.30pm

RETIRED PRIEST COLLECTION

Diocesan Annual collection for the retired Priests takes place this weekend. Envelopes available in your development boxes or at the church Porches.

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday next, 3rd June, is the first Friday of the Month. Masses will be celebrated as follows:-

Portarlington: 10am

Killenard: 7.30pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

Tuesday's 10.30am-7pm

ALONE

Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/>
For more information contact volunteer@alone.ie or phone 086 1085965.



Congratulations to the children from **Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road & Sandy Lane N.S.**

who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend in St. Michael's Church, Portarlington. 224 Children have received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in our Parishes of Emo & Portarlington during the month of May 2022.

ASCENSION

The day of the Lord's triumphant return to his Father is not a day for narrowness or sadness. Rather, it is a day for openness and joy. Therefore, let us lift up our hearts. Let us raise up your minds. Let our spirits soar and be free. For sin & evil & death have been overcome. We know nothing of the mystery of the beyond. All we have is His word: 'Where I am, you too will be.' Lord, you have kindled in our hearts the hope of eternal life. Guard this hope with your grace & bring it to fulfilment in the kingdom of heaven. Amen

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



REFLECTION

We are born in exile and die there too. As soon as we set sail on the great voyage of life, we begin our return. We spend our lives dreaming of a homeland we have never seen, like homing birds that are released in a strange country, and know no rest until they return home. So it is with us. When we die, we do not so much go to God as return to him. You have made us for yourself, O'Lord, and our hearts will never rest until they rest in you.
Amen

EXAM PRAYER

Dear Lord, as I take these exams, I thank you that my life is enfolded in the embrace on your great love for me. Help me with all the testing challenges of life that will come my way. Holy Spirit, guide me with the gifts of wisdom, knowledge, understanding and right judgement. Holy Mary, pray for us and all our young people. May they know the touch of your loving caress. AMEN

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

Sunday 5th June. Ceremonies begin at 2.30pm in the Basilica with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick followed by Mass at 3pm and concluding with the procession of the Blessed Sacrament. **A bus has been organised from Portarlington and Emo Parishes.** Cost €20 per person payable on the day. To book your place on the bus, phone the parish office in Portarlington 057 8643004. Bus will pick up at Emo Football Grounds (across from the Church) at 8.40am and at then in Portarlington in the car park of the Girls old school (across from the Church) at 9am.

LOUGH DERG RE-OPENS

Lough Derg welcomes Pilgrims again with a full Pilgrimage programme this summer. Three Day Pilgrimage: 1st June-15th August. Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups. One Day Retreats & guided Pilgrim Path experience: dates in May & late August through September. Booking essential. All booking information at www.loughderg.org or info@loughderg.org Phone: 0(0353) 71 9861518. Lough Derg, Pettigo, Donegal, F94 N289.

80s NIGHT

Fundraiser for the Irish Cancer Society. (Relay for Life) Saturday 4th June at 8pm in The Railway Bar. Raffle tickets on sale on the night. Fancy dress optional.

PORTARLINGTON WOMEN'S SHED

Open every Thurs. morning from 10.30 - 12.30 in the Further Education Centre, Bracklone St.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Used postage stamps wanted for Foreign Missions. Please leave in through the letter box of The Nook Shop, Patrick Street

PORTARLINGTON LAWN TENNIS CLUB



Portarlington Lawn Tennis Club AGM for 2022 will take place on Mon. 13th June at 7.30pm in the Clubhouse. All adult and student members and Parents / Guardians of child members are invited to attend. Phone: 087 9463147 if further info required.

WANTED

Mature, kind lady required to do housework and collect and look after children after school hours. Killenard area. Two days a week. Must have a driving licence. Phone 089-2580200 after 6pm.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

The National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sat. 18th June (Corpus Christi weekend). Please contact Barbara on 086-163 7311 for more information or see www.eucharisticadoration.ie for more details.

YOUTH CHOIR

Primary and secondary school children, (singers and musicians) are invited to join a new Youth Choir. Rehearsals will be held on Fridays in St. John's Church, Killenard, beginning May 27th at 3pm and every Friday. Going forward, we hope the choir will sing at the 10.30am mass in St. John's Church Killenard on designated Sundays during the year. Forms for children and consent forms for parents/guardians will be available on the day. All singers and musicians from the parishes of Portarlington and Emo are welcome. We look forward to meeting you on May 27th. For further information contact Ursula at portarlingtonyouthchoir@gmail.com or phone Eimear on 085 7775607.

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Trip to Lourdes takes place from 5th to 12th August. Cost €895 per person sharing - 7 nights full board at Solitude Hotel. Deposits of €250 now due. A few seats are still available. Spiritual Director: Fr. Joe O'Neill C.C. Contact Marie on 087-7589896, or Vera on 087-9311813

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO

Results 23.5.2022. Numbers 17, 12, 18, 06. No jackpot winner. €50 each to: Michael Dunne; Aoibhinn Maher; David Bannon; Deirdre Doyle; Corina O'Brien. Promoter John Kelly. Next week's Jackpot €5,000

PORTARLINGTON FURTHER EDUCATION CENTRE, BRACKLONE STREET

Business Management Advanced Certificate The course explores modern business practices across finance, sales, law and management including human resource management. Applications still available... Selection now taking place. Further info. contact 057 8623161.

LOURDES EMO PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Marian Pilgrimages - Dates: 5th - 9th Sept. 2022 (4 nights) €645 pps. Single room supplement €140. Full board in 4* Hotel Astrid. Includes return direct flights Dublin / Tarbes & coach transfers. Full religious programme. Spiritual Director: Fr. Joe O'Neill. Travelling with Marian Pilgrimages. For further details contact Tony Byrne 086 1225833.

LOURDES COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting of the Lourdes Committee on Sat. 4th June in St. Michael's Church after 6.15pm Mass. All members requested to attend.

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES INVALID FUND SPONSORED 5K RUN



Family Day out walk or run on Sun. 3rd July commencing 11am. Registration €10 - Registrations will commence at 10am. Heritage Hotel, Killenard. Refreshments served in the hotel & showers available in the Leisure Centre. Sponsorship cards available from Red. 087 9850348 / Peter 087 9672417 / Marie 087 7589896. Sponsored by Super Valu.

SUMMER CAMP 2022



Scoil Phadraig, Portarlington from 8th - 12th August and/or 15th-19th August. 9.30am-2pm. Suitable for boys & girls aged 5 to 12 years. 1 week. €75 / 2 wks. €130. Sibling discounts available. Email summercampport@gmail.com on 086-163 7311 for more information or see www.eucharisticadoration.ie for more details. This camp is run by teachers but not affiliated with Scoil Phadraig.

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



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B.O.I. Portarlington BOFII2D
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



EMO PARISH

B.O.I., Mountmellick BOFII2D
Emo Church No. 1 Account
IBAN - IE16 BOFI 9018 1051 4302 54

Emo Parish Clergy Fund Account
IBAN: IE34 BOFI 9018 1022 2378 77

PARISH DONATION ENVELOPE
Available at the Church Porch.

SYNOD NEWS



The diocesan synod synthesis will be available on the diocesan website, www.kandle.ie from Wed. 1st June. Sincere thanks to all who took part. Pope Francis is calling us to a new way of being Church together where we will continue to creating spaces and develop the habit of listening to one another locally and in the wider church.

SYNODAL PRAYER

Communication - Participation - Mission
We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts. Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. AMEN

NON-COMPETITIVE IRISH DANCE LESSONS

Every Thurs. In Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road 2.45-3.45pm. Ciaran & Collette Maguire - Learn the fun side of Irish dance & performance. €7 per lesson. Reg. Your interest on Whatsapp or Email 087-3338722 or collettemariamaguire@gmail.com

LINE DANCING CLASSES



Every Thursday night, Portarlington Community centre. Join John on Thursday's at 7.30pm in the sports hall for beginners Line Dancing. Call or text 086 8333200 for details & booking.