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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





St. Paul's Church, Emo 7.30pm (Vigil - Saturday), 11am Sunday

Sacred Heart Church, Rath



SUNDAY 2nd JUNE, 2019 **ASCENSION OF THE LORD** -**World Communications Day**

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON Mon. 3rd June 10am Margaret Lawlor, Cushina

(1st Anniversary) **Tues. 4th June 10am** Edward, Julia & George Moore, Garryhinch

Wed. 5th -10am DJ Brennan, French Church St. Thurs. 6th June 10am Jenny Moore, Garryhinch Fri. 7th June 10am Kevin Lynch, Kilbride (10th)

Saturday 1st June – 6.15pm Brenda McNally-Grant, Barrow View Christy Mooney, Kilbride (7th Anniv.) & his Son, Paul Mooney; Patrick & Marie McNelis; Kevin, Paul & Anne McNelis, Market Square & Pine Villa; Anne Shortall; Ned (Kruger) Murphy,

St. Michael's Park (19th Anniv.); Breda, Colm, Mark, Barry, Joanne, Fiona & Martina Maher, Marian Hill

Sunday 2nd June – 12.15pm Stephen O'Reilly, Cushina & Mountmellick Edward & Sarah Roycroft, Bracklone St, Paddy Dyer & dec. members of the Dyer Family,

Bracklone St.; Dick Hudson, Avondale Saturday 8th June – 6.15pm Joe Delaney, Tinnecrannagh (2nd Anniv.);

Padraig (Paddy) Powell, Droughill; Bernie & Maureen Scully, Cloneyhurke; Kevin Lynch, Kilbride (10th Anniv.); Gerry Horrigan; Michael McNamara, Gracefield; Veronica Delaney,

Bracklone St; Tommy & Kathleen Delaney, Spa St; Joseph & Catherine Crofton, Bracklone St.

Sunday 9th June – 12.15pm Mary Kenny, Station Rd. (33rd Anniv.); Marie McCowen, Station Road; Brian Hoey, St. Patrick's Terrace

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

<u>Sunday 2nd June – 10.30am</u> Lilly Slevin, Corrig & Mount Henry (2nd Anniv.) Elizabeth & Thomas Maher, The Hermitage & Son, Paul Maher; Sr. Brigid Monagher, Lea Friday 7th June - 7.30pm (First Friday) Patrick Mullen, Corrig & Australia

Sunday 9th June – 10.30am Elizabeth Mullen, Corrig (1st Anniv.); Syl Mullen, Corrig (4th Anniv.); Thomas & Margaret Mullen & dec. members of the Mullen Family; Jim & Mary Kennedy; Christine Carey, Ballycarroll (25th Anniv.); James Carey, Ballycarroll Richard & Kathleen Terrett: Paddy Terrett

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO Saturday 1st June – 7.30pm Mollie McEvoy, Coolaghy (1st Anniv.) Rose Keane, Rath; Thomas & Denis Keegan, Coolbanagher Sunday 2nd June – 11am Myles Christy, Coolbanagher Saturday 8th June – 7.30pm Matt & Mary Hyland, The Heath

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 2nd June – 9am Mark, Mick & Serena Carroll, Fisherstown Paddy & Rose Byron, Bellgrove; Andrew & Elizabeth Mulhare, Courtwood; Joe Behan, Rath

DECEASED

Prayers are requested for the following who died recently:

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Tony O'Neill, St. Brigid's Square Marie Mafie-Keane, Sandy Lane Paddy Dowling, St. Joseph's Terrace V. Rev. Fr. Liam Crowley, Cork (Brother-inlaw of Madeleine Crowley, Cappakeel) Michael (Donal) Clancy, St. Patrick's Terrace

ℜ BAPTISMS ℜ

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism PORTARLINGTON Kovi Lee Malone, Canal Court Bruno Baczynski, Riverside Mark John Thunder, Cáthair ná gCápaill Sean Geoghegan, Whitefields

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday next, 7th June, is the First Friday of the Month. Masses as follows:-Portarlington 10am Killenard 7.30pm / Emo 9.15am

CHURCH COLLECTORS JUNE 2019

St. Paul's Church, Emo 7.30pm Joe McDermott & Liam Fitzpatrick. / 11am Kieran McEvoy & John Joe O'Rourke Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am Bosco Carroll & Edward Fitzgerald

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (JUNE 2019)

Emo: 3-6pm Willie Keegan & Frances Kerry Rath: 2.30-5.30pm ---

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

9am Sunday YEAR 'C'

LECTORS (8th / 9th June)

Portarlington: Sat. 6.15pm Margaret Doyle / Sun. 9am Dan Fingleton / 12.15pm Micheline Murphy Killenard: Sun.10.30am Tom Coleman Emo: Sat. 7.30pm Ann Deering / Sun. 11am Frances Kerry

Rath: Sun. 9am Sinead Boland

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS (8th / 9th June)

Portarlington - Team A Killenard- Team D

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO



Results 27.5.2019

Numbers 2, 9, 14, 16 – No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following:-Orla Whelan C/o Emo Shop / Vera Donohue C/o Hilary / Frances Greene, Emo Shop / Pat Owens C/o Hilary / Doreen Dunne C/o Anne NEXT JACKPOT MON. 10TH JUNE €4,200

Killenard Friday 5th July – 7.30pm Portarlington Friday 12th July – 7.30pm Emo New Cemetery Fri. 26th July – 7.30pm Emo Old Cemetery Thurs. 15th Aug. 7.30pm

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE 2019

7 Night Package Inclusive €705 3 October - 10 October Spiritual Director Fr. Sean Hyland cc Contact Michael Nerney (086) 8157305

TEACH MHUIRE PRAYING COMMUNITY

Mass for Healing on Tues. 4th June. St. Paul's Church Emo. Rosary at 7.45pm at the Grotto. Mass 8pm. Celebrant: Fr. Eddie Lalor C.C. Portlaoise.

EMIGRANT NEWSLETTER

A Committee Meeting will take place on Wednesday next, 5th June, at 8pm in Fr. Noonan's house. If you would like to help compiling this year's Emigrant Newsletter please come along to this meeting.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

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

ART EXHIBITION

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Barbara Askin presents her Art Exhibition on Sunday 9th June from 2pm – 4.30pm at the French Diner, French Church Street, Portarlington. Come along and bring a friend.

AVAILABLE FOR CLEANING / IRONING

Lady available to do housework / cleaning / ironing. Own car. Portarlington & surrounding areas. Phone Cristina on 089-4044569.

STATION ROAD, PORTARLINGTON **RESIDENTS RE-UNION**

A Re-Union has been organised for Friday 7th June at 6pm in Finlay's Public House, Bracklone Street. All past & present residents are invited.

AFFORDABLE LIVE-IN HOMECARE

Affordable Live-in Homecare provide live in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087-9916791. Website is www.alhomecare.ie

UNVEILING & BLESSING OF NANO NAGLE **SCULPTURE - KILDARE**

Annette McCormack has sculpted a stunning image of The Venerable Nano Nagle holding

forth her lantern as she strides energetically to spread the Good News, always going one step beyond. This work was commissioned as a gesture of gratitude from the people of Kildare. The sculpture is



located outside the 'Hands Door' of the Parish Church, Kildare adjacent to the former Presentation Convent building. Unveiling will take place Pentecost Sun. 9th June after 11am Mass with blessing. All welcome.

PARENT WORKSHOP

Free parent workshop 'Supporting Transition from Primary to Post Primary School' Thurs. 13th June 7.30-9.30pm. No fee - Booking essential. Yvonne 057-8672402, yvonne@laoisedcentre.ie

LEARNING & LIVING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH



Pilgrimage to the Shrine of our Lady of Knock. Sat. 29th June 2019 (Feast of Saints Peter & Paul (Apostles).Workshops on Catechism of the Catholic Church including introduction to YOUCAT and YouCat for Kids. Venue; St. John's Rest & Care Centre. Workshop options: 11am, 11.45am or 12.30pm.

IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE



Transfusion Service Seirbhís Fuilaistriúcháin na hÉireann

I.B.T.S. will be visiting the Portarlington area with their mobile blood collection team. At present they are experiencing difficulty in collecting enough voluntary blood donations in order to meet hospital requirements of 3,000 units of blood a week. Venue: Portarlington Community Centre. Tues. next 4th June, 2019. 4.30pm to 8pm. www.giveblood.ie

MONDAY NIGHT DANCING

St Vincent de Paul regret that dancing on June 10th has been cancelled due to renovations in the Gandon Inn. Dancing as usual on Mon. 17th June 9.30pm to 12. Dancing to Solitaire. Looking forward to seeing you all then.

LAOIS FLEADH CHEOIL ⊈ 2019 ⊈

The Laois Fleadh Cheoil is being hosted by Portarlington Comhaltas over the bank holiday weekend. The fleadh activities commence with a session in Treacy's. On Sunday Coláiste Íosagáin for all solo duet & trio competitions.

A Gig-A-Rig will be held in the People's Park with performances from Comhaltas

champions, the Portarlington Junior Concert Band, dancers from the Burbage Academy and Scoil Rince Lar Tire, John Tobin & friends plus lots more. Monday afternoon a céilí will commence at 2.30pm in Portarlington GAA Centre with music by Legacy Céilí Band. Live

music in many of the local pubs over the weekend, You can see the Trad trail on Portarlington Comhaltas Face Book page.

SUAIMHNEAS - CAPPAKEEL - EMO Thursday's at Suaimhneas Emerging Spirituality in light of our **Cosmic Story**

Facilitated by Niamh Brennan. Sat. 15th June 10am-4.30pm. In this workshop we will look at

how knowledge of our Universe can change the way we view and participate in the on-going adventure of life and can assist in



WEIGHT WATCHERS STUDIO

Venue: Portarlington Community Centre, Link Road. Classes held on the 1st floor of the centre every Tuesday at 10.15am. Contact Suzanne Doyle on suzannedoyle.ww.ie or call in on the day.

ADOREMUS NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC & MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

The Apostolate of Adoration invites you to the Adoremus National Eucharist & Marian Pilgrimage, Knock Shrine Fri. 14th June and/or

all day Sat. 15th June. There is a full programme organised for everyone; adults, young adults and children. Programmes run separately on the day, with talks, testimonies,

adoration, workshops, procession, anointing, Mass and much more. See website for more details www.eucharisticadoration.ie or email info@eucharisticadoration.ie or text 087-2478519 for full details. Bishop Phonsie

Cullinan is chief celebrant on Friday evening and Archbishop Eamon Martin is chief celebrant on the Saturday.

CATERING COURSE QQ1 LEVEL 4



Applications are now being accepted for a free full-time training course in catering, which

begins in September 2019 in the Further Education Centre, Mountmellick. This course qualifies people to work in hotel restaurants, cafés, coffee shops, deli bars, takeaways etc.

The course includes: Kitchen Skills, Short Order Cooking (breakfasts and lunches), Meal Service, Customer Service, HACCP, Barista and First Aid. While the course is open to all ages preference will be given to applicants aged between18-35 and in receipt of a Social Welfare payment. Dates: September 2019-April 2020, Monday to Friday (9-4:30; half day Friday). Eligible participants may also qualify for a training allowance. Contact Eimear Kelly. Tel: 057 8662732, Mob: 087 2230710

eimearkelly@laoispartnership.ie

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The 2019 Pilgrimage which will take place from the 8th to the 15th August 2019 now FULLY BOOKED. Deposit of €150 now due. Contact Marie 087-7589896 or Vera 087-9311813.

AMERICAN TEA PARTY FUNDRAISER



An American Tea Party fundraising event has been organised for the Portarlington Community Centre. This event will take place on Friday 14th June from 8.30. Music by "The AJ's" and Irish Dance performances from Scoil Rince & The Academy Irish Dance.

Only €10 per person. Phone 057-8645728 for further information.

EMO TIDY TOWNS

Emo tidy towns will meet on Wed. 5th June at the village pump at 7pm in preparation for the upcoming National Tidy Towns competition. Weather permitting, otherwise Thursday night

same arrangements. Judging will commence from 9th.June.If you can spare an hour your help greatly appreciated. Over the years our numbers have dwindled through natural progression. Your help would be great New members always welcome.

THE HOPE FOUNDATION

An Open Garden Day is being held in aid of The Hope Foundation at the home of Pat & Lil Pilkington, Daingean, Offaly on Sat 9th June from 1pm to 6pm. Refreshments will be served and a raffle will take place on the day. The proceeds of this event will go to the Hope

Foundation for street children in Calcutta.

TRIP TO ARKLOW

A five day / 4 night trip to the Arklow Bay Hotel will take place from Sun. 15th Sept. to Thurs.

19th Sept. 2019. Four nights B & B plus dinner – Bingo & music each night. €255 per person sharing. Single rooms €374. Tours daily. Pick up in Portarlington. A few seats available. Phone Betty on 087-7805940.



Much of our work over the last few months has involved litter picking, clearing weeds, planting shrubs and trees and the general tidy up of all the approach roads leading into town with the

help of both Laois/Offalv County Council. Judging in the Tidy Towns National competition begins this month and we need the town to be looking its best. The next few weeks are vital and we are kindly asking everyone to play their part by sprucing up their properties, clearing weeds outside front walls, targeting a nearby public area that needs attention or painting. Portarlington Tidy Towns

constantly put in a huge effort to keep the town as best we can whilst facing many challenges, but unless we get help to tidy up our streets, common areas and estates it will

be difficult to progress in the national competition. So now more than ever, any support you can give will make a huge difference to all who live in it. It's our town, be proud of it. Every single little bit you can do will make a difference.

"LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE "

FOUND

Keys – Found Corrig area during the week. Bracelet - Found in St. Michael's Cemetery. Contact the Parish Office.