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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



**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 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER, 2022**

**TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C**

**WEEKEND MASSES - PORTARLINGTON**

**Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> October – 6.15pm**  
Tommy Dobbyn, Kilmalogue; Catherine Dobbyn; Lisa Marie Bracken, Arlington Est. (9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.); Catherine Gallagher (nee Ward); David Knight, Seskin  
**Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> October – 12.15pm**  
Finbar Fitzpatrick, Barrowbank; Dec. members of the Fitzpatrick Family, Shandra; Dec. members of the Cannon Family; Barney Harty, Woodland Park

**WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARY PORTARLINGTON 10am**

**Mon. to Fri. 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> October – 10am**  
Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct. - Kathleen Hogan  
Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. – Feast Day St. Francis of Assisi  
Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. – Feast Day St. Faustina Kowlska  
Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup> Oct. – Feast Day St. Bruno  
Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. - Moll Leavy, Assumpta Terrace

**ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD**

**Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> October – 10.30am**  
Pat & Annie Monagher, Lea  
Christina & James Carey, Ballycarroll

**ANNIVERSARIES - EMO**

**Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> October – 7.30pm**  
Esther Conroy, Cappakeel; Jimmy & Vincent Conroy & dec. members of the Conroy Family; Martin Gleeson & Christopher Gleeson, Morette  
**Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> October – 11am**

**ANNIVERSARIES - RATH**

**Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> October – 9am**  
Edward Fitzgerald, Rath (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.); Anna O'Connor, Courtwood (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.); Tommy Tynan, Kilbracken; Dec. members of the Tynan Family, Jamestown & the Delaney Family, Coole

**DECEASED**

Your prayers are requested for the following who died recently:-  
Redmond (Red) Murphy, The Harbour, Mountmellick, formerly St. Patrick's Tce.



We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism  
**Portarlington Parish**  
Emilia Karczewska, The Close. Graigaverne

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tues. 10am–7pm in St. Michael's Church

**Rosary for Month of October**

Every night at 7pm in St. Michael's Church  
You can join in with the Rosary from your own home via the Church Webcam.

**FIRST FRIDAY**

Friday next, 7<sup>th</sup> October, is the first Friday of the Month. Mass will be celebrated as follows:-  
**Port: Fri. 10am / Killenard: Fri. 7.30pm**  
**Emo: Fri. 9.15am / Rath: Thurs. 9.30am**

**DAY FOR LIFE – SUN. 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER**

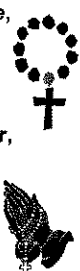
Day for life is a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning & value of human life at every stage and in every condition. Today, Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct. we celebrate Day for Life on the theme 'Caring for the Older Person'. We ask people to think about the value & worth of older persons in families & in society & to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations. We ask you to devote quality time, energy & creativity in caring of the older persons in our communities.

**MONTH OF THE ROSARY - OCTOBER**

October is the month of the Rosary. It's a time when we are encouraged to pray the Rosary as a family.

**O'QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY**

O'Queen of the Holy Rosary, each mystery blends with thine, the sacred life of Jesus, in every step divine.  
Thy soul was His fair garden, thy virgin breast His throne, thy thoughts, His faithful mirror, reflecting Him alone.  
O'Queen of the Holy Rosary, we share thy joy and pain, and long to see the glory of Christ's triumphant reign.  
Oh, teach us, holy Mary, to live each mystery, and gain by patient suffering the glory won by thee (EM Shepcote)



**COMMUNION CALLS**

Communion calls to the sick & house bound will take place next week as follows:-  
**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022**  
Congress Tce; Crowe Lane; St. Brigid's Sq; Station Court; Newmill Court; Canal Rd; Corrig Derrymore; Lea; Lough; Old Pound; Rathmiles  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022**  
Ballybrittas; Bellgrove; Ballyadden; Courtwood; Fisherstown; Jamestown; Coolaghy; Ballycullane; Morette; Coolbanagher; Knightstown; Killeen; Tinnakill; Woodbrook; Portlaoise Road  
**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2022**  
Assumpta Terrace; St. Patrick's Terrace; St. Joseph's Terrace; Avondale; Shandra; Annamoe; Bog Road; Patrick Ave; Gracefield; Patrick St; Rosecourt; Droughill; Bishopswood; Clondoolusk; Cushina; Botley Court

**SACRAMENTS 2023**

**CONFIRMATION 2023**

**St. Paul N.S., Emo**  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 11am  
**Sacred Heart N.S., Rath**  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 2pm  
**Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road, Portarlington**  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023 at 11am  
**Presentation Primary School, Station Road, Portarlington**  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023 at 2pm  
**Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard**  
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 11.30am

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023**

**St. Paul's N.S., Emo**  
Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 11am  
**Presentation Primary School, Station Road, Portarlington**  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 11.30am  
**Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard**  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 11.30am  
**Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road, Portarlington**  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 11.30am  
**Sacred Heart N.S., Rath**  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 11.30am

**CLONEYHURKE NATIONAL SCHOOL**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2023**  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 11.30am

**MISSION MONTH**

October is Mission Month! World Mission Sunday is celebrated this year on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October. The theme is 'You Will Be My Witnesses' (Acts 1:8). Every Christian is called to be a missionary & witness to Christ. The Church, the community of Christ's disciples, has no other mission than that of bringing the Gospel to the entire world by bearing witness to Christ. This is the one Sunday of the year that Pope Francis asks you to pray a little stronger and dig a little deeper so that faith, hope and love can flourish. Contributions given on World Mission Sunday will support the fearless and selfless work of our missionaries, who live shoulder-to-shoulder with people in communities that are struggling and often war-torn.

**MOUNT ST. ANNE'S, KILLENARD**

**Time out** for busy people on Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 11am-3.30pm. Cost €25. Taking care of the other people in our lives takes its toll. Why not treat yourself to a quiet day to recharge, reflect and reconnect in the beautiful surrounds of Mount Saint Anne's. An opportunity to be kind to yourself & to develop tools for self-care. People of all faith traditions most welcome. Facilitated by John Whelan and Sr. Anne Kearney HFB Bookings on 057 8626153.

**GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO**

**26.9.2022**  
Numbers 16 – 9 – 23 – 10. No Jackpot winner. €50 to each of the following:- Catherine Cunningham; Pat Hyland – Ann Fullam – Niall Byrne – Pat Kiely. Promoter J. Hanlon. Next week's Jack pot €2,400

**CELTIC TENORS IN CONCERT**



Concert in Sts. Peter & Paul Church, Monasterevin also featuring Monasterevin Gospel Choir on Fri 21<sup>st</sup> October at 8pm. Tickets available from Monasterevin Parish Office 045-525346 or Earley's Fashion Shop.

**PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY**

**Art Appreciation Course**  
5 week course with artist Caroline Keane exploring artwork from the permanent collection of the Irish Museum of Modern Art. Fridays Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 3pm - 4.30pm  
Please contact to book a place.  
**Autism in Girls Talk**  
Fiona Ferris from "As I Am" will deliver a talk on Autism in Girls on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 7.30pm.  
Please contact to book a place.  
**Laois Connects Talk – 5 Ways to Wellbeing**  
Thursday Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 11am – Please contact to book a place  
**Healthy Ireland Talk -Sensory Toys and Playtime with your Child** by Eleanor Glennon. Wed. 19<sup>th</sup> Oct 7-8pm – Please contact to book.  
**Card Club**  
Every Tuesday 11am - No need to book.  
**Knitting Club**  
Every Friday 10.30-12.30. Join us for some crafting, a cuppa and a chat. No need to book. New members always welcome.  
**Junior Book Club**  
The junior book club meets on the last Wed. of the month 6pm. Suitable for 9-12yr olds.  
**Adult Book Club**  
The adult book club meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 11am. We are reading Restless by William Boyd for October and copies are available in Portarlington Library. New members always welcome.  
**Booking for any of the above (where necessary) contact 057 7643751 or email [portarlingtonlibrary@laoisccoco.ie](mailto:portarlingtonlibrary@laoisccoco.ie)**

**ANAM CARA MIDLANDS**

Anam Cara Midlands, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its first monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 7:15pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents. We also offer an online service. For more info call 01 4045378

**CLASH OF THE RIVALS**

**Portarlington GAA host Laois V's Offaly**  
Veterans in a game of football on the 15<sup>th</sup> October. BBQ, Entertainment & Spot prizes on the day. Special guests – All Ireland Winning Laois Ladies Football Team. Throw in at 3pm. All proceeds go to Johnny's Girls.



**A.C.E. – ART CLASS EMO**

Are you interested in an "Art for Relaxation" Class? Depending on numbers, classes will be held on Wednesday's from 10am–12 noon. It is hoped to commence on 5<sup>th</sup> October in Emo Community Hall. Advanced booking required by Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct. Text your name & address to 086- 2445722. Pauline (Art Teacher) has over three decades of art teaching experience, and it will be a fun class for adults, whether a beginner or advanced.

**ARTIST MENTORING** With Kevin Kavanagh Share knowledge / Focus on your art practice / Identify areas of development / Professional support / Reach your goals as an artist. [Laois.ie/departments/creative-ireland/creative-laois-opportunities](http://Laois.ie/departments/creative-ireland/creative-laois-opportunities)  
Deadline for submissions – Tues. 11<sup>th</sup> October.

**50<sup>th</sup> ANNIV. PORTARLINGTON SOCIAL SERVICES/MEALS ON WHEELS**

Celebrating 50 years of serving the people of Portarlington & surrounding areas. Celebrations will commence with an Ecumenical Service & Blessing on Friday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Social Services Centre. Those who have had any association with the Service from the beginning to the present are welcome.

**USED STAMPS FOR THE MISSIONS**

Used stamps needed for the missions. Kindly drop them into Delaney's, Bracklone Street

**THE NEWELL CHOIR**

The Newell Choir meet every Thursday from 7.30pm–9pm. Members receive choral training, instruction in breath control, vocal technique & voice projection from a specialist singing teacher with professional performance experience. Sub: fee of €100 per term covers: Sheet music, part recordings & venue rental. Previous choral experience or ability to read music not necessary. Enquires to Patricia & Edward at 057 8623152.

**YOGA**

Easy Yoga for beginners – Saturday's from 1-2pm in Portarlington Community Centre. Further info. & booking Ph: Edel 086 3656209.

**RAINBOWS IRELAND**

Rainbows Ireland is a free, listening, peer, group support service that provides support for children from the age of 7, after they have experienced a parental separation and/or bereavement. The programme runs for 9 weeks, for an hour each week after school. Scoil Phadraig, Portarlington is now providing this service to children attending their school & to the wider communion. For further information or to enroll your child contact Rainbows Co-ordinator, Aisling at [rainbowscoilphadraig.ie](mailto:rainbowscoilphadraig.ie) or you can phone the school office during school hours on 057 8623394 & leave a message.

**ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB, CLONEYHURKE**

Dancing to Pat Daly from Cork in our brand newly renovated hall, Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> Oct. Doors open 9pm – Dancing until late. Adm. €10.

**CRAFT CLUB**

A new Fibre Craft Club is starting on 5<sup>th</sup> October from 11am-1pm at the Makerspace on Canal Road (Enterprise Centre). All welcome! For this club we are looking for donations of the following: knitting needles, crochet hooks, yarn, & any item related to felting, spinning & fibres. Donations can be left at Portarlington Library.

**THANK YOU – IRISH GUIDE DOGS**

Sincere thanks to everyone who donated to the recent Church Gate Collection in aid of the Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind. Amount collected €895.92. Sincere thanks also to our Collectors.

**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 BOFIE2D  
**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**



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B.O.I., Mountmellick BOFIE2D  
**Emo Church No. 1 Account**  
IBAN - IE16 BOFI 9018 1051 4302 54  
**Emo Parish Clergy Fund Account**  
IBAN: IE34 BOFI 9018 1022 2378 77

**PROFESSIONAL CHILDMINDER**

Childminder available – Mon. to Fri. 8am to 6pm. Part-time hours or after school. Over 20 years experience. Safe, secure home environment. First aid certified. Developmentally appropriate activities. Phone Linda on 087 7741945 for further details

**COSTAL ROSARY FOR FAITH & LIFE**  
Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup> the Annual Coastal Rosary will take place at 2.30pm. Join thousands of people from around Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith at our coasts, grottos, rivers, churches, and other suitable places. Simply sign up a Rosary location at [www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie) or text your location to 087 278 6552.

**CARER AVAILABLE**

Mature experienced female Carer available. Portarlington / Emo / Killenard areas. 20 years experience in all aspects of caring. CV available on request.  
*Note new phone number: 086 1719070*

**CALLING PEOPLE INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING PARISH MINISTRIES**

**Eucharistic Minister / Reader (Lector) / Plate Collector / Choir Member**  
If you would like to serve as a Eucharistic Minister, Reader, Plate Collector or Choir Member, please give in your name to the Parish Office (057 8643004) or to one of the Priests. Altar servers will be organised through the schools. Full training will be provided for all of the above Ministries.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Marriage Encounter Ireland are hosting a Marriage Enrichment Weekend from Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> – Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. at the International Hotel, Cork Airport. Further info. & booking visit [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

**OFFALY DEMENTIA CAFE**

Offaly Dementia Café is presented by the Alzheimer Society of Ireland on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month in the Bridge House Hotel, Tullamore. The next meeting will be held on Mon. Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10.30am - Guest speaker Christine Marten (ALONE). Ph: Claire on 087-7151323.

**BRAVEHEARTS (Social Inclusion Club)**

The Club have re-opened on Thursday last at Portarlington Rugby Club. Open from 6-7pm. New members very welcome.