

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Used postage stamps wanted for charity. Place through the letter box of the "Nook", Patrick Street, Portarlington.

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am-8pm. Phone 0818 222 024

SUMMER E-FESTIVAL



14th - 16th August 2020

The Youth 2000 Summer E-Festival is a three day Catholic event for young people from around the world. Listen to some of the biggest speakers giving workshops on your favourite topics, see other young Catholics on fire with the faith or simply be refreshed and inspired. Register now for FREE at www.youth2000.ie to get your welcome pack.

ACCORD

Catholic Marriage Care Service. Ph: 01 5053112 or email info@accord.ie

ONLINE SUMMER SCHOOL

Theology, Spirituality & Religious Experience

We are taking registrations now for the second running of our online Summer School 'Theology, Spirituality and Religious Experience' starting on August 10, it also ran this July. The course consists of 10 online lectures by Fr Pat Collins C.M. given over two weeks. The Priory Institute, Tallaght Village D24 W410. Tel: +353 (0)86 8510769 (mobile) www.prioryinstitute.com

NEW PILGRIMAGE ON LOUGH DERG'S LAKESHORE

Walk and Pray in the Lough Derg tradition on 16th, 18th, 22nd, 26th & 30th August. At times in the 1600s and 1700s when Station Island was closed by the Penal Laws, pilgrims undertook a form of pilgrimage on the lough shore. Walk in their footsteps. Contact 0 (0353) 71 9861518 or info@loughderg.org for details. Numbers are limited. Advance booking is essential.

FEAST DAYS

Tues. 4th Aug. - St. John Mary Vianney, Curé d'Ars
Wed. 5th Aug. - Dedication of Basilica of St. Mary Major
Thurs. 6th Aug. Transfiguration of the Lord
Sat. 8th Aug. - St. Dominic

FAREWELL & WELCOME



Fr. Pat Hughes

Fr. Joe O'Neill

We bid farewell to Fr. Pat Hughes, who has been Curate here in Portarlington & Emo for the past 8 years. We thank Fr. Pat for his friendship & dedicated service to the Parishes & wish him well on his new appointment as Parish priest of Myshall & Clonegal.

We welcome Fr. Joe O'Neill as Curate to our Parishes and look forward to ministering alongside him for the years to come.

OUR RETURN TO MASS

It is important that people who are vulnerable or unwell should stay at home & if possible, participate via the webcam or parish radio. Because of social distancing, the maximum number of people who can be accommodated in the Church is limited to fifty (50). There will be a gradual re-introduction of weekend Masses, depending on future health guidelines and the capacity of our four Churches. Those who attended Mass during the week are not obliged to go over the weekend. The dispensation from Mass still holds. Please be aware that the Mass schedule will be reviewed / revised on a weekly basis.

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST - FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST 2020

Live Streaming is being operated from St. Michael's Church, Portarlington during Mass Ceremonies.

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

Saturday - 6.15pm Mass
Sunday - 9am Mass
Sunday - 11am Mass
Monday - Friday - 10am Mass



St. John's Church, Killenard

Sunday - 10.30am Mass

St. Paul's Church, Emo

Saturday - 7.30pm Mass
Sunday - 11am Mass



Sacred Heart Church, Rath

Sunday - 9am Mass

ON RETURN TO MASS, THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE NOTED

- Dispensation from Sunday & Holy Day Obligation is extended for the time being.
- Music ministry will be limited. / The sign of Peace is omitted.
- The procession of people approaching for & returning from Holy Communion should respect social distancing.
- Holy Communion to be received in the hand only.
- Priests & Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist should visibly sanitize their hands both before & after the distribution of Communion.
- Priests & Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist should wear face covers while distributing Communion.

WEBCAM / MASS:

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington - View live streaming of Mass next week at the following times: **Sat. 6.15pm / Sun. 9am / 11am / Mon. - Fri. 10am** www.watchmcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington
You could also visit website www.mcnmedia.tv and follow the links to Republic of Ireland / Laois / St. Michael's Church.

PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO

Sunday 2nd AUGUST 2020
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRIESTS PHONE NUMBERS: Very Rev. Thomas Dooley P.P. Tel: (057) 8643004

Rev. Joe O'Neill C.C. Tel: (057) 8646517 Very Rev. Michael Noonan P.E. Tel: (057) 8623431

Website: www.portarlingtonparish.ie www.emoparish.ie **E-mail:** portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net

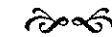
Twitter: Portarlington and Emo Parish @EmoParish

DIocese www.kandle.ie **SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline: 116 123 Email: jo@samaritans.org ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 087 7640557**

AWARE Lo-call Helpline 1890 303 302 **G.R.O.W.** www.grow.ie Information 1890474474

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: Jackie McNulty; Frances O'Dwyer; Mary Joyce; Clare Nerney
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) Tel: 085-8021633 dip@kandle.ie

ANNIVERSARIES



Weekend of 1st / 2nd August 2020

Portarlington

Saturday 1st August (6.15pm)
Michael Murphy, Annamoe; Philomena Reddin, Mountmellick; Patrick & Elizabeth O'Brien, The Deanery
Sunday 2nd August 2020

Deceased members of the Bishop & Dorrian Families; John Finn, Shannon, Co. Clare

Killenard

Sunday 2nd August (10.30am)

Sunday 2nd August - 1.30pm
Philip & Fergus Brophy (M.M.)

Emo

Saturday 1st August 2020 (7.30pm)
Michael Dunne, Killimy & England (4th Anniv.)

Sunday 2nd August 2020 (11am)
Patrick & Ann Maher, Killimy Road

Rath

Sunday 2nd August 2020 (9am)
Rita Boland, Courtwood; Fr. John Boland, Jamestown; Tom, Lucy & Frances Behan, Belgrove; Mary Bradshaw, Jamestown; Ellen Donohoe, Jamestown; Patrick O'Connell, Kilagulush



WEEKDAY MASSES

Portarlington

Monday 3rd August 2020
Brigid Lynch, Ballymorris (28th Anniv.)
Tuesday 4th August 2020
Today is the anniversary of the Episcopal ordination of Most Rev. Denis Nulty (4th August, 2013)
Wednesday 5th August 2020

Thursday 6th August 2020
Paddy Murphy, Avondale
Friday 7th August 2020

Brigid & Michael Wall & Michael Wall Jnr.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING WHO DIED RECENTLY:

Josephine Thornton (nee Stack), Dublin & formerly Killenard



BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism



PORTARLINGTON

Barney Gerard Harty, Woodlands Park
Darragh Mason Behan, Rathleash
Bernadette Leanne Cawley, Gracefield
Caoimhe Margaret Weldon, Aughrim, Cushina

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism in our parishes has recommenced and there is a limit of four Baptisms to be celebrated together and a maximum of ten people allowed to attend with each Baptism. If you wish to book a Baptism, please phone the Parish Office (Opening hours Monday - Friday 9.30am to 1.30am on 057 8643004).



ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB

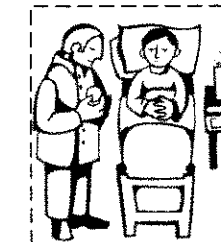
LOTTO RESULTS 21ST JULY 2020

Winning Letters: T, R, U, V
No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following: Ger Donnelly & Mary McCormack. Sellers prize Paul Kelly
Next Jackpot will be held in the Barrow Lodge on 4th August. Jackpot €10,000

COMMUNION CALLS

As restrictions have begun to ease, and in accordance with Government and health advice, we are now in a position to resume our monthly

Communion calls. This can only be done in strict adherence to the health advice that has been given to us, to ensure the continued protection of each



of us from this dangerous virus. We will resume these calls within the next few weeks and will place a notice in our Parish Newsletter beforehand to advise you of the dates. If you don't want us to call at this time, please phone the Parish Office (057 8643004). We look forward to the return of this important pastoral ministry.

DONATIONS TO PARISH Thank You!

Sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Parish. We greatly appreciate your support, particularly at this time. If you wish to make a donation, the Parish Account details are as follows and you can do so on line or through your Bank:

Portarlington Parish

Bank Name & Address

Bank of Ireland, Portarlington

Name of Account

Portarlington Parish No. 1 Account

BIC BOFIE2D

IBAN IE28 BOFI 9018 6154 5717 14

Please put your name & address in the reference box. Thank you.

Emo parish

Bank Name & Address

Bank of Ireland, Mountmellick

Name of Account

Emo Church No. 1 Account

BIC BOFIE2D

IBAN IE16 BOFI 9018 1051 4302 54

Please put your name & address in the reference box.

ONLINE DONATIONS THROUGH OUR DIOCESAN WEBSITE

There is a donation facility now on the kandle website & people can donate both to parishes (option for parish & clergy collection) & the diocese as they wish. On the diocesan button there is an option to donate to Trocaire, Retired Priests or other areas. The Diocese will forward any donations received for parishes. www.kandle.ie

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Taking place in St. Michael's Parish Church Portarlington on Sunday 2nd August (today) from 4pm to 6pm.

GRACEFIELD AREA NEWSLETTER

The first ever Gracefield Area Newsletter has just been published. It is available free of charge in Centra Supermarket in Gracefield from this weekend (Sat. 1st August).