



# PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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## PARISH OFFICE

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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



3<sup>rd</sup> April 2016

Second Sunday of Easter Year C

Divine Mercy Sunday

## ANNIVERSARIES – PORTARLINGTON

**Mon. 4<sup>th</sup> April 10am** James Gorman  
**Tues. 5<sup>th</sup> 10am** ---  
**Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> 10am** John, Delia & Phyllis Dempsey, Shandra  
**Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> 10am** Stephen Ryan, Tinnecrannagh  
**Fri. 8<sup>th</sup> 10am** Deceased members of the Deegan Family, Kilcappagh  
**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – 6.15pm**  
Kitty Fingleton, Shandra (M.M.) & her husband Denis Fingleton; Paddy Cullen, St. Michael's Park (M.M.); Bill & Sheila Fingleton & Son, Paul Fingleton, Patrick Street; Kathleen O'Reilly, Marian Hill; Mick Keogh, St. Patrick's Tce; Catherine Malone, Joseph Malone; Jerry Farrell & Bro. Coleman Malone  
**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – 12.15pm**  
Brian Crossan, Station Road (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.); James & Mary Carroll, Bracklone Street; Bridget, Mary & Elizabeth Knight, Patrick St; Kate & Pat Sherlock, Co. Monaghan; James & Padraig Douglas, Bishopswood  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April – 6.15pm**  
Elizabeth & John Fallon, St. Michael's Park; Bridie Brick, Joseph Brick, Elizabeth Nicholls, St. Michael's Park  
**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April – 12.15pm**  
Michael Collins, Station Road (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
Pauline Meredith, Killeeran (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
Liam Shortall, Bog Road

## ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – 7.30pm**  
Catherine, John & Edward Delaney, Woodbrook; Mary McEvoy & John McEvoy Snr. & John McEvoy Jnr. Coolaghy; Michael & Kathleen Whyte, Killimy & deceased members of the Deegan Family; Peter Touhy  
**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – 11am**  
Christopher, Annie, Noel & Willie Lawlor, Woodbrook; Thomas & James O'Connor, Woodbrook; Colm Lawlor, Killimy  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April – 7.30pm**  
Baby Philip Rowe, Ballybrittas  
Noel Mee, Tullamore (7<sup>th</sup> Anniv.);  
John & Ellen Dowling, Morette  
**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April – 11am**  
**50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Celebration Fr. Jack Rogers**

## ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – 9am**  
Tom Blanche; Tom & Catherine McHale, Rath; Mick & Theresa McHale, Dublin

## PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

21/28 JULY '16

7 nights – Hotel Santo Amaro. Cost €714.00  
Full board. Plus Insurance & Taxes. A few seats still available. €200 deposit secures a seat. Further information contact Mary Murphy 086-1627564 or the Parish Office.

## BAPTISMS

*We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:*

### PORTARLINGTON PARISH

*Harry Michael Ridgeway, Garryhinch*

### EASTER COLLECTION FOR THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Many thanks to all who contributed to the Easter Collection for the Priests of the Parish. Your contributions were greatly appreciated.



Trocaire has expressed thanks for supporting its 2016 Lenten campaign, which came to an end last week. All 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 so far:

**Portarlington Parish: €6,286.00**  
**Emo Parish: €2,895.00**

### CHURCH COLLECTORS APRIL 2016

St. Paul's Church, Emo  
Sat. 7.30pm Seamus Fitzpatrick & Michael O'Connor  
Sun. 11am Tom Scully & Ger Delaney  
Sacred Heart Church, Rath  
Sun. 9am Liam Flynn & Pat Behan

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

**SACRAMENT SUN. 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL**  
Emo 3-7pm Vera Moran & Jimmy McEvoy  
Rath 2.30–6.30pm Ann Lowry & Michael Murphy

### CONFIRMATION 2016

Bishop Denis Nulty will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parishes of Portarlington & Emo as follows:  
**Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard**  
Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 11.30am  
**St. Patrick's Boys NS & Cloneyhurke NS**  
Fri. 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 11am  
**Presentation Primary School**  
Fri. 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 2pm  
**St. Paul's NS, Emo**  
Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 11am  
**Sacred Heart NS, Rath**  
Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 2pm

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016

**Sacred Heart NS – Rath** Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> April, 11.30am  
**St. Paul's NS – Emo** Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> May, 11am  
**Presentation Primary School**  
Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> May, 11.30am  
**Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard**  
Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> May, 11.30am  
**St. Patrick's Boys NS & Cloneyhurke NS**  
Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> May, 11.30am

## LECTORS

### Portarlington

Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> April 6.15pm Margaret Doyle  
Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> April 9am John Prior  
Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> April 12.15pm Noel Brennan

### Killenard

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am Tony Harbelin

### Emo

Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm Paul Donnelly  
Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> April 11am Tara Hanneffy

### Rath

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> April 11am Margaret Donohoe

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**Portarlington 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup>** Team: A

**Killenard 10<sup>th</sup>** Team: Team A

## INVITATION TO OPENING OF JUBILEE DOOR

You are warmly invited to join Bishop Denis for the opening of the Jubilee Door in St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath on Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> April (Divine Mercy Sunday) (today). Beginning with Reflections & Prayer at 9.30am in St. Fintan's, Clonenagh followed by a Solemn Procession at 10am to arrive for 11.30 Mass. Buses will be provided from St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath to Clonenagh at 9am.

## LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

### PENTECOST RETREAT

Mount St. Anne's, Killenard on Tuesday nights from 5<sup>th</sup> April to 24<sup>th</sup> May. Mass 7.30pm.

**Wk 1: 5<sup>th</sup> April** Bishop Denis Nulty

**Wk 2: 12<sup>th</sup> April** Fr. John Harris (Spiritual Director Youth 2000)

**Wk 3: 19<sup>th</sup> April** Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill

(Diocesan Vocations Director) & Sr. Mary O'Duffy SMG (Evangelisation 2000)

**Wk 4: 26<sup>th</sup> April** Fr. Sean Hyland

**Wk 5: 3<sup>rd</sup> May** Fr. Pat Collins C.M (Spiritual Director New Springtime Community)

**Wk 6: 10<sup>th</sup> May** Fr. Thady Doyle (Jesus Power Ministries and Curates Diary)

**Wk 7: 17<sup>th</sup> May** Fr. Jim Bermingham (Spiritual Director Teach Mhuire Community) & Eddie Stones (Emmanuel House – Clonfert)

**Wk 8: 24<sup>th</sup> May** Archbishop Charles Brown

(Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland)

Further details of speakers [www.teachmhuire.ie](http://www.teachmhuire.ie)

## WORD OF THANKS

The Priests of the parish congratulate all who attended at the Easter Ceremonies in such great numbers. We thank all those who contributed to the support of the Priests. We thank the Organists, Choirs, Musicians, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Sacristans, Altar Servers and those who decorated the four Churches.

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT

### MOUNT ST ANNE'S KILLENARD

**Calligraphy Workshop** – Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> April.  
10am-4pm. This workshop is for people who have some experience in Calligraphy.  
Materials included. Cost €35.

**Mindfulness Workshop** – Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> / Sat. 14<sup>th</sup>  
May 10am-5pm. Facilitated by Marie Manley-Smith. Participants will gain an understanding of mindfulness & positive psychology & daily tools to use in helping to reduce stress & improve focus & increase wellbeing. €125

**Meditation Day** – Sat. 28<sup>th</sup> May 10am-3.30pm  
With Marie Manley-Smith. A day of relaxation in the beautiful Killenard countryside. €25.  
Further details of the above and booking contact Catherine on 057-8626153  
[www.mountstannes.com](http://www.mountstannes.com)

### EMO / RATH COMMUNITY GAMES

The County Final of the Talent Events will take place in the Arts Centre (old cinema) in Mountmellick on Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm.

Emo/Rath will not be holding an area final this year, however, we will need all entries for the talent events to be registered with us on Mon.

11<sup>th</sup> April from 7-8pm in Emo Community Centre. If you do not register on the night of the 11<sup>th</sup>, you will not be able to take part in the County Final. Registrations for Emo/Rath Community Games will also be held that night for anyone who missed the first night. €10 per child, €25 for a family of 3 or more. Any child taking part in any county event MUST be registered at area level. Details & rules of all talent events available on:-  
[www.communitygames.ie](http://www.communitygames.ie) under the download section. For queries contact Barbara Dunne 0852745536 / Claire Johnston 087 6747182.

### EMO / RATH LOTTO

**Next week's Jackpot €15,600**

### PIANO LESSONS / EXAM GRINDS

Leaving & Junior Cert Music Grinds & preparation for theory exams. Experienced highly qualified Teacher /Masters Degree RIAM Examiner. Ph: Donal on 085-7393927.

### EMO COURT HOUSE OPENING

Emo Court is open every day 10am-6pm each day until the end of September. This jewel of eighteenth century architecture designed by the great James Gandon is an ideal place to bring your visitors & friends. Gardens & Tea Rooms open all year round.

### LADIES GOLF

Ladies "Get into Golf Programme" at Portarlinton Golf Club. It 6 week programme for beginners includes lessons with a PGA Professional. There is a Taster Night on Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm. Further info. contact Mary Kehoe 0876747348 / Anne Turley 0876992854.

### TENNIS CLUB

Tennis Club AGM Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> April at 9pm in the Club House. All Adult members & parents of Junior members are invited to attend. Tennis Coaching with Tony Lok begins on the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> April. Phone 087 1231135 to book.

### COURTWOOD G.A.A.

Social night & medal presentation (Div. 3 league winning squad 2015) in the Heritage Clubhouse, Killenard on Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> April. Tickets €15 (limited numbers). Contact Michael Hogan 087 6899104 or Pat O'Connell 087 6894108.

### ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB LOTTO RESULTS

Letters B,H,K,W – No Jackpot winner.  
€25 to Mary McCormack Snr. & Pat Kiely.  
Sellers prize Richard Confrey. Next Jackpot draw on 8<sup>th</sup> April in the Barrow Lodge.

**Jackpot €3,600**

## ST. BRIGID'S ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP

### Garryhinch / Cloneyhurke

Book Club meet on Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm.  
New members welcome.

### SUAIMHNEAS - CAPPAKEEL, EMO

#### Mindfulness Meditation Practice

From Thurs. 21<sup>st</sup> April 7.30-8.30pm. Be part of a small group & feel supported in the practice of Mindfulness / Meditation. Cost €5  
**Mindful way to creating a healthier Work life**

Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> April 10am – 4.30pm

#### Nutrition & Wellbeing

Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> April 10am-4.30pm with Orla McLaughlin

#### The Power of Now & A New Earth

#### Awakening to your Life's Purpose

With John Doherty – 7<sup>th</sup> May 10am-4.30pm

#### Introduction to Mindfulness Meditation

Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> May 7.30-9.30pm.

#### Laudato Si – Care of our common Home

With Fr. Donal Dorr. Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> May 11am-4pm.

#### Advanced Power of Now Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> July

Further details & booking contact Anne or Mai 0578626541, email [info@suaimhneas.ie](mailto:info@suaimhneas.ie) or visit our [www.suaimhneas.ie](http://www.suaimhneas.ie)

### LIAM LAWTON IN CONCERT

With the RTE Concert Orchestra plus special guests. Venue: St. Mary's School Auditorium, Edenderry / Thurs. 5<sup>th</sup> May. Concert 8pm. Tickets available at St. Mary's School or in Portarlinton Parish Office. Cost €25 each.

### CHILDMINDER REQUIRED

Child minder required for three children, 5, 3 and 10 months - Kilbride area, three days per week. Includes 1 pick-up in Emo. Please contact 087 1381627 for further details.

### EMO TIDY TOWNS

Meeting: Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in the Old School. It is proposed to raise The Flag on the 24<sup>th</sup> April to commemorate 1916. All welcome to come along to the meeting with your ideas. Our yearly clean-up will take place on Tues. 12<sup>th</sup> April from 6.30pm. Meet at Village pump.

### PORTARLINGTON TIDY TOWNS AGM

Portarlinton Tidy Town's are holding their AGM on Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm in Studio One Community Centre. New members welcome.

### PORTARLINGTON GAA

Lotto Wk. 13 – Numbers 4,5,16,20 – No Jackpot winner. Jackpot Next Week €1,300  
Thanks to all those who attended our Annual Good Friday Poker Classic. Congratulations to the winners Tom Maher €550 / Adrian Broderick €250 / Chris Doyle €150 / €50 to Hector Phelan, Anne Donegan, Jude McCormack, Willie Cunningham & Pat Mitchell

### FAMILY CARERS - COURSE

Family Carers Ireland are providing QQI Level 5 Care of the Older person module on the 27<sup>th</sup> April / QQI Level 5 Safety & Health at work module on 28<sup>th</sup> April / 1-day programme on challenging behaviour on 29<sup>th</sup> April in Tullamore. Also scheduled is the QQI Care Support module in Portlaoise on the 11<sup>th</sup> April. Further info. & booking phone the Training Department on 057-9370221.

### LAOIS COMMUNITY & VOLUNTARY

#### AWARDS 2016

The Laois Community & Voluntary Awards 2016 are being held in the Heritage Hotel, Killenard on the 11<sup>th</sup> May. Nomination Forms & details available from Geraldine Delaney, Community & Enterprise Section or email [gdelaney@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:gdelaney@laoiscoco.ie) Closing date for Nominations is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016.

## FRIENDS OF NANO NAGLE & ASSOCIATES

### "SEEING ANEW"

This day is open to all people inspired by the legacy of Nano Nagle, a woman who responded to the needs of her times with courage, ingenuity, perseverance & grace.  
Keynote address: Martina Lehane-Sheehan & Pat Sheehan. Mount St. Anne's Retreat Centre, Killenard on Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> April from 9.45-4.15pm. Voluntary Donations. Lunch included. RSVP essential by 8<sup>th</sup> April for catering. E-mail [Miriam@Presprone.com](mailto:Miriam@Presprone.com) for registration form.

### REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

The Laois/O'faly Palliative Care Team invite families, friends & carer's of those who have died in the past two years & have been known to the Palliative Care Team to a Remembrance Service on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> April, 7pm in St Peter and Paul's Church, Portlaoise, Co. Laois.

### O'DEMPSEY'S GAA

Lotto results for 29<sup>th</sup> March. Numbers 14,16,17,26 – No jackpot winner. Many thanks for your continued support of our weekly Lotto. Fixtures – Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> April Div. 2B O'Dempsey's at home to Courtwood at 6.30pm. Mon. 4<sup>th</sup> April and U16 League away to Killeshin / Crettyard in Killeshin 6.15pm.  
Come along and support the teams.

### RUN KILLENARD

Run Killenard, which was scheduled for 24<sup>th</sup> April has been postponed & will take place later in the year. Check website, Facebook & Twitter for up-dates. Any items for inclusion in Club Notes or on our social media, Email [odempseysgaa@gmail.com](mailto:odempseysgaa@gmail.com) or contact P.R.O. Barry Finlay on 087-7707511.

### PORTARLINGTON SPEAKERS

#### An Invitation

Do you want to enhance your career skills or develop your potential? Do you want to meet new friends? You are invited to the next Meeting, Tues. 5<sup>th</sup> April at Killenard Community Centre 7.45-9.30pm. FaceBook, MeetUp [www.portarlinton.toastmastersclubs.org](http://www.portarlinton.toastmastersclubs.org) .

### PORTARLINGTON TIDY TOWNS

As part of this year's 'Spring Clean', Portarlinton Tidy Towns are organising the cleaning of several areas in the town on Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> April from 10am. Anyone who wishes to have their road or housing estate included in the clean up please contact David Maher on (086) 3475357. The Tidy Towns are asking people on the day to give an hour or two to help in this voluntary effort to clean up your local area. Gloves, rubbish bags and a truck to transport away the rubbish will be available.

### LAOIS HORSE-RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

Tommy Ryan Memorial Road Run – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Run will take place Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> April starting & finishing at the Fishermans, Fisherstown, Ballybrittas. All cars, lorries, motorbikes & tractors welcome from vintage to present day. Your support will be welcomed.  
Further info. contact 087 2654001.

### CONFERENCE

#### CONFLICT, MIGRATION & IDENTITY IN MODERN IRELAND – GLOBAL & TRANSITIONAL PERSPECTIVES

At Carlow College (St. Patrick's) and VISUAL Centre for Contemporary from 12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> April.  
A unique conference presented by Trinity College Dublin, Carlow College & VISUAL Centre for Contemporary Art featuring lectures, talks & master classes on conflict, migration & identity in modern Irish history & culture.