



PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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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



SUNDAY 3rd February, 2019 – FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 4th Feb. 10am ----
Tues. 5th Feb. 10am -----
Wed. 6th Feb. 10am John Lawlor, Portlaoise Rd,
Thurs. 7th Feb. 10am Alice Brennan,
Fri. 8th Feb. 10am Martin & Sarah Turley, Pat,
 Tomas, Breda & Andrew Turley,

Saturday 2nd February – 6.15pm

Paddy Maher, Gracefield (4th Anniv.); John & Margaret Maher, Gracefield; Jim & Mer McEvoy, St. Michael's Pk; John & Moira Walsh, Dublin; Dec. members of the Leavy Family, Shandra; Jack Finlay, Patrick St; Tony Coleman, Bracklone St; Tim & Bridget Coughlan, Bracklone St. Anne Keegan, Deceased members of the Keegan family, Bishopswood,

Sunday 3rd February – 12.15pm

Margaret (Maggie) Kelly, Annamoe (M.M.)
 Pat & Maureen Gorman, Church View; Robert Francis Magee, Station Rd. (13th Anniv.) James Gilligan, (Snr) Lea,

Saturday 9th February – 6.15pm

Veronica (Ronnie) Moran, Droughill & Kilrush,
 Dr.s Noreen & Bernard Honan, Cork,
 James, Mary & Thomas Barnes, Oliver Whelan,
 Marian Hill, Joseph Kelly, Marian Hill,

Sunday 10th February – 12.15pm

Deirdre O'Reilly, Canal Rd, Jane Moran,
 Cloneyhurke, Bill & Philomena Rogers,
 Bracknagh,

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 3rd February – 10.30am

James Brophy, Lough; Mary Cooper, Clonanny

Sunday 10th February – 10.30am

George Monaghan, Lea

✠ BAPTISMS ✠

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism
PORTARLINGTON

Conor Peter O'Grady, The Close, Graigaverne,
 Aoileann Fay O'Mahony, Mount Henry Drive,
 Patrick Rocky Stokes, Kilnacourt Woods

✠ RECENTLY DECEASED ✠

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

Dolores Hunt, (nee Costello) St. Joseph's Tce,
 Fr. John Cummins, P.P. of Abbeyleix,
 Christine O'Brien, Bournemouth, England,
 (sister of Anne & Celine Knight)

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 2nd February – 7.30pm

Deirdre Keogh, New Inn (2nd Anniv.);
 Elizabeth Prior, Morette; Peter Andrews,
 Morette & Florida; Peter & Norah O'Connor &
 dec. members of the O'Connor Family, Old
 Pound; Robert McGuirk, Knightstown,
 Maureen Fenlon, Ballybrittas, John & Elizabeth
 Lewis, Deceased members of the Lewis
 family, Morette, James Kehoe, Coolbanagher,

Sunday 3rd February – 11am

Pat Brophy, Killeen (1st Anniv.)
 Elizabeth Prior, Morette, Jeremiah O'Connor,
 Coolagh, Mary O'Connor, Ballycullane, Peter
 Kelly & Margaret Sweeney, Dublin, Elizabeth
 Kelly, Emo Park,

Saturday 9th February – 7.30pm

Kathleen (Kitty) Lynch, Killeen, M.M.
 Mary & Betty Lynch, Killeen, Tom Dowling,
 Morette, Sean & William Greene, Deceased
 members of the Greene family, Morette,

Sunday 10th February – 11am

John Dooley, Ballycullane, (1st Anniv)

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 3rd February – 9am

Peter O'Connell, Frank Dempsey,
 Monasterevin, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Bellgrove.,

ST. PATRICK'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mission & Appeal

Was founded on St. Patrick's Day 1932 by Fr. Patrick Whitney. Since then, Kiltegan priests, together with volunteer priests and lay people from different Irish Dioceses, including Kildare and Leighlin, have worked firstly in Nigera and later in Kenya, Central and South Africa, Brazil and the West Indies.

Today there are 281 Kiltegan priests of whom 28 are African. We have 58 students in Africa preparing for the priesthood. That seed sown by the Irish Church has grown in surprising ways. Through this visit we wish to recall how missionary work is central to our faith and thank you for your generous support in the past. The Mission Appeal which Fr. Joe Rabbitt and Fr. David Walsh will coordinate asks for your continued support for the Society's missionary works, through enrolling in the Mission Circle, subscribing to "Africa" magazine or supporting other initiatives. The Appeal will take place in our Parishes **Portarlington** on the weekend of **9/10 Feb** and **Emo** on the weekend of **16/17 Feb.**

LECTORS (READERS)

9th / 10th FEBRUARY 2019

Portarlington

Sat. 6.15pm Frank Smith
 Sun. 9am Dan Fingleton
 12.15pm Emma Dunne

Killenard

Sun. 10.30am Kate Meredith

Emo

Sat. 7.30pm Kieran McEvoy
 Sun. 11am Sadhbh Hanneffy

Rath

Sun. 9am Mark Behan

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

9th / 10th FEBRUARY 2019

Portarlington Team A
 Killenard D

EMO PARISH ENVELOPES

The envelope boxes are being distributed at the moment. Boxes also available at the Church porches. The boxes contain weekly collection envelopes & special collection envelopes. This contribution goes towards the upkeep of schools, churches & parish buildings. Sincere thanks to all who contribute.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT 3RD FEBRUARY 2019

Emo 3-5pm - Tony Connell
 Rath 2.30-4.30pm -

TEACH MHUIRE PRAYING COMMUNITY

Mass for Healing

Tuesday 5th February

Rosary 7:45pm with Mass at 8:00pm

St. Paul's Church Emo, Co. Laois
 Celebrant: Fr. Eddie Lalor C.C. Portlaoise

Blessing of Throats

Blessing of throats will take place on Monday 4th February at the 10am Mass in Portarlington.



CONFIRMATION 2019

St. Paul's NS, EMO

Thurs. 21st March at 11am

Sacred Heart NS, RATH

Thurs. 21st March at 2pm

Scoil Naomh Eoin, KILLENARD

Thurs. 28th March at 11.30am

St. Patrick's Boys NS PORTARLINGTON

Friday 29th March at 11am

Presentation Primary School, PORTARLINGTON & CLONEYHURKE NS

Fri. 29th March at 2pm

EXAM PREPARATION

An Intensive Oral Irish Preparation day is being run on the 20th February in Portarlington for Leaving Cert Students. 40% of marks required to pass the Irish Exam can be obtained at oral stage! This workshop/revision day is run by a qualified Irish Teacher and Experienced Oral Irish Examiner. Places are very limited, if you are interested please contact idealcareers@eircom.net for further information.

KJ FITNESS

Total body workout. Wed: 7.15-8pm. Beginners / 8-8.45pm Advanced. Fri: 8-8.45pm (all levels). Sun: Bootcamp 11am. Phone Karol on 086-3771154. Portarlington Business Park, Unit 6.

CHILDMINDER WANTED BALLYBRITTAS AREA

Childminder wanted to pickup after school at Rath National School and take care of 3 children in their own home, max 4 day week. Own transport, Non Smoker, References required. Contact 087 6616821.

CALLING GIRLS BORN 2004 & 2005

Arlington Girls are recruiting a number of players to join their squad.

Seeking girls interested in having fun whilst enjoying sport and a winning mentality. If interested in playing in goals or outfield, come and join our training sessions.

New league seasons begins in April. Monday's 6-7 at Leisure Centre Astro & Wednesday's 6-7 Port Community Centre. Contact Darren on 087 1306687 to register interest

O'DEMPSEYS LOTTO RESULTS 28.01.19

Numbers were: 07,12,19,26. No Jackpot winner. Match 3 winner's this week were Brian Noone, Christopher Slevin, Niall McCormack. Promoter - Ballybrittas SS. Next week's Jackpot: €7,800. Sincere thanks for your continued support. .

O'Dempseys Registration Day

Juvenile registration day will take place on Sunday the 10th of February in the clubhouse from 11:30-1:00. All players must register on the day even those paying by direct debit.

"LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD" PANTOMIME

Mountmellick Macra present their 21st annual pantomime, 'Little Red Riding Hood'. It will take place in the Macra Hall on Thurs 14th, Fri 15th and Sat 16th February at 8.15pm. Sunday Matinee at 3.00pm and Sunday evening at 7.00pm. Tickets are €10 for adults, €5 for children and on sale in O'Gorman's shop and on the door each night of the show.

MOUNTMELICK DRAMA GROUP

Presents Bernard Farrell's "Lovers at Versailles", a heartwarming drama on Thurs 7th, Fri 8th and Sat 9th Feb in the Community Arts Centre, Mountmellick, nightly at 8 pm sharp. Tickets €10.00 each and concessions €5.00

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

Tues. 5th Feb. 4.30pm-8pm – Community Centre, Portarlington. Please ensure essential blood supplies are always available by giving blood regularly. Donor line 1850 731 137 www.giveblood.ie

PORTARLINGTON CONCERT BAND

Are currently recruiting new members from the age of 9 to 99. Lessons in the girls old school on Thurs evenings from 4pm to 7pm. Phone Pat on 083 8510428 for more info.



KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 1st to the 6th August, 2019. Cost €759. All bookings on the Pilgrimage should be made through Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lower Baggot St., Dublin 2. Phone 01 618208790 www.joewalshstours.ie. Booking forms available also in the Parish Office.

PORTARLINGTON PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019

Trip to Lourdes on 8th Aug. for 7 nights staying in Hotel Solitude. Further info. phone 087-7589896 or any Committee member.

ELOCUTION / SPEECH / DRAMA CLASSES

Elocution, Speech & Drama classes offer a unique and fun way to learn the art of communication. Students help each other to grow and develop, encourage each other in confidence building and self-expression. Classes in Community Hall, Rath after school on Tuesdays. Classes on Wednesdays in the Leisure Centre, Portarlington at 4pm & 5pm. To register and for info. on fees and content of classes contact Anita 086 2478052 or E-mail ceiltissd@hotmail.com

PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY

Knitting Group Our knitting group continues to meet every Friday morning from 10:30am. New members always welcome.

Book Group The Book Club for adults meets on the last Thursday of the month. New members welcome.

SUAIMHNEAS – CAPPAKEEL – EMO

Mindfulness Meditation Practice Evenings

Thursdays 7.30pm-8.30pm

Participants have an opportunity to practice different approaches to meditation. Cost €5 incl. refreshments & home baking.

Meditation and Prayer

Thursday afternoons 3.30 - 4.30pm

Time to reflect & pray using sacred scripture, spiritual writings & sacred music. Followed by refreshments. Cost €5.

The Suaimhneas Zero Waste Group

First Monday of every Month 7.30pm. - 9pm

Cost €5 incl. refreshments & home baking

Introduction to Centering Prayer

Sat. 2nd March – 11am-1.30pm

Facilitated by Members of Contemplative Outreach Ireland. This workshop with introduce participants to the Method of Centering Prayer. **Cost: €20.** This includes refreshments & home cooked lunch.

Reflexology Network Meeting

Saturday March 9th

Qualified Reflexologists meet, share information & offer one another a therapy treatment. Therapists can also gain CPD points - Further info. from Alice 085 7183538. For further details visit www.suaimhneas.ie or 057-8626541.

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB LOTTO

RESULTS

Draw held on 22nd January 2019. Letters K, W, O V – No jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following: Paul Kelly & Pauline & Yasmin Devereux. Sellers prize Paul Kelly. Next Jackpot draw is for €10,000

BINGO

Portarlington Social Services bingo returns on Wed. 6th Feb. at 8.30pm in the Social Services Centre.

ST. BRIGIDS ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB

Garryhinch/Cloneyhurke

BINGO resumes on Tues 12th February at 7.30pm. New members welcome.

CHURCH COLLECTORS FEBRUARY

St. Paul's Church, Emo

Sat. 7.30pm Paul O'Connor & P.J Gleeson
Sun. 11am Tom Scully & Ger Delaney
Sacred Heart Church, Rath
9am James Duffy & Willie Duffy

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO

Lotto results 28th Jan., 2019

Winning Numbers 1, 15, 21, 24 – No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following:- Nancy O'Connell, c/o Mena, Rosaleen Kirwan, c/o R.K., Caroline Keogh, c/o Vera, Ann Lowry, c/o Ann, Francis Greene, c/o Emo Shop. **Next week's Jackpot €4,400**

CHARITY GALA BALL

Gala Ball will take place on Fri. 22nd February, 2019 in the Heritage Hotel, Killenard. Tickets available from Marie on 087-7589896 / Colette on 086-2654277 or Maria on 086-3058181 or call to Saoirse Care beside Burbage's. Please book your ticket or table of friends for this great charity night and avoid disappointment.



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YOGA CLASSES

Yoga for beginners commencing in Portarlington Community Centre. Starting on Wed. 13th Feb 10am to 11.15am or come along Sat 16th Feb 11am to 12.15pm. Bring a mat, blanket & wear comfortable clothing. Phone Edel on 086-3656209 – www.yoga-clare.com



ACCESS FOR ALL – DISABILITY / COMMUNITY AWARENESS

The Laois Public Participation Network in collaboration with The Disability Federation of Ireland will be hosting a Consultation workshop entitled "Access for all – Disability / Community Awareness" in the Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise on Wed 13th February at 7.00pm

FREE TRIPLE 'P' PARENTING WORKSHOPS

For parents of children 2 – 10yrs. & Teenagers 11 – 15yrs

Workshop for 2 – 10 yrs old in Portlaoise Education Centre on Tues 26th Feb 7 – 9pm and in MDA Mountmellick on Weds 27th Feb 9.30 - 11.30 am. Each Workshop is for 7 weeks and gives tips and strategies to make family life less stressful with children by giving a good understanding of positive parenting. **Workshop for 11 – 15yrs old** in Treo Nua Family Resource Centre, on Tues 26th Feb from 10am to 12noon.

This programme looks at ways to build a stronger relationship with your teenager, Tips to reduce family conflict, Strategies to manage problem behaviours and ways to support your teenager to become more independent and to stay safe.

To book a place or for more info contact 090 6447111 or txt Deirdre 086 0274837 or Sinead 086 8215102.

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