



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 SEPTEMBER, 2017 - 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR 'A'

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 4th Sept. 10am James & Mary Leavy & Son, John Leavy, Patrick Street
 Tues. 5th Sept. 10am ---
 Wed. 6th Sept. 10am Richard McCann
 Thurs. 7th Sept. 10am ---
 Fri. 8th Sept. 10am ---

Saturday 2nd September – 6.15pm

Josephine (Renee) Kelly, St. Michael's Park; (1st Anniv.); Maxie McSweeney, Bracklone St; Deceased members of the Cannon Family; Ellen & Michael Troy & deceased members of the Troy Family, Bracklone St; Bridget Connolly, St. Michael's Pk. & deceased members of the Connolly Family, Maam; Tom & Rose McGuinness

Sunday 3rd September – 12.15pm

Noel Hennessy, Bishopswood (4th Anniv.)
 Rose Clarke, Bishopswood; Marie Pigott, St. Michael's Park; Noel Finn, Limerick; Larry Farrell, St. Mary's Tce; Mary Donagher, Bog Rd; Patrick & Dora McNamara, Bishopswood; James Moran, Cloneyhurke; Ann Cleary, Ballymorris

Saturday 9th September – 6.15pm

Frances Mullins, Foxcroft Street (2nd Anniv.); Tommy Cooper, Clonanny; Fintan Maher, Templeogue & Gracefield; Joan & Ronnie Halsall, Gracefield; Gerry O'Neill, St. Brigid's Sq. (B/Day Rem.)

Sunday 10th September – 12.15pm

Nora Kelly, St. Patrick's Tce. (2nd Anniv.); Sarah & William Kelly; Edward, Maisie, Des & Eamonn Shortall & Phyllis Hallisey (nee Shortall), St. Michael's Park

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 3rd September – 10.30am

Derek Campbell, Kilmullen (2nd Anniv.)
 Marie & Leo Levin

Sunday 10th September – 10.30am

Mollie Kavanagh, Lough; Sean & Kathleen Kavanagh; Joe Kavanagh; Charlie Geoghegan, Lough; James & Christina Carey, Ballycarroll

DECEASED

Your prayers are requested for the following who died recently:-



Bridget (Bridie) Booth, Morette, Emo

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:-

*Avanne Grace Byrne, Tierhogar
 Niall Douglas O'Connell, Killaglush*

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 2nd September – 7.30pm

George Horne, Caron

Sunday 3rd September – 11am

Patsy Mulhall, Morette & deceased members of the Mulhall Family

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 3rd September – 9am

Christy Noons, Jamestown (2nd Anniv.)
 Michael Flynn, Fisherstown

Patrick Duffy, Ballyadden; Peter Duffy, Ballyadden
 John Clear, Courtwood & deceased members of the Clear Family, Courtwood Bridge
 Mary Whelan & deceased members of the Whelan & Kiernan Families, Ballyadden

Sunday 10th September – 9am

Kevin O'Connor, Kilbracken
 Nan Kinsella, Fisherstown

ST. PADRE PIO SUNDAY IN KNOCK

Takes place Sunday 17th September 2017. Bus will leave Super Valu at 8am. Name's and fare to Josie Hanlon, Gracefield – 086 3425944.



ST. PADRE PIO'S GLOVE

St. Pio's glove will be at Betty Malone's home, Shindella, Rathangan – Sun. 3rd Sept. (today) from 11.30 – 5.30pm. Items of St. Pio available on the day. Further details call Betty on 045-525094.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2017

Emo 3-6pm Mary Joyce & Tony Byrne
 Rath 2.30-5pm

CHURCH COLLECTORS - SEPTEMBER

St. Paul's Church, Emo

Sat. 7.30pm Willie Keegan & Pat Whelan

Sun. 11am Martin Dunne & Tony Byrne

Sacred Heart Church, Rath

9am Tommy Donohoe & Willie Lawlor

AUTUMN PRIESTS COLLECTION

The Autumn Collection for the Priests of the Parish will be held this weekend at all Masses. Envelope available in you development boxes or at Church Porch.

KILLENARD ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP

Meet on Tues. 5th Sept. at 2.30pm in Killenard Community Centre. All very welcome to attend.

TEACH MHUIRE PRAYING COMMUNITY

Mass for Healing - Tues. 5th September 2017.
 Venue: St. Paul's Church, Emo.
 Time: Rosary at 7.45pm / Mass 8pm
 Celebrant: Fr. Eddie Lalor CC Portlaoise.

LECTORS

NEXT WEEKEND 9th & 10th September

PORTARLINGTON:

Sat. 9th 6.15pm Lector / Sun. 10th 9am L. Kinsella / 12.15pm Emma Dunne
KILLENARD: Sun. 10th 10.30am J. Hogan
EMO: Sat. 9th Sadhbh Hanneffy / Sun. 10th Stephanie Lewis

RATH: Sun. 9am Ted O'Loughlin

EUCHRISTIC MINISTERS

NEXT WEEKEND 9th & 10th September

PORTARLINGTON TEAM D

KILLENARD: TEAM E

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES

ORGANISATION SOCIAL NIGHT

A social evening, organised by the Lourdes Committee, will take place on Fri. 22nd Sept. in the Pint-O-Port from 9pm until late. Music by J.L. Laffan Sound. Everyone very welcome.

TROCAIRE

Working for a just world

On behalf of the families & communities who benefit from your generosity, Trocaire offer heartfelt thanks for your support of this year's Lenten campaign & for your generous support of our recent East African Appeal. You are transforming lives & helping the poorest & vulnerable in our world to prepare for & survive humanitarian disasters such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, droughts & conflict.

COMMUNION CALLS

The sick and housebound will be attended during the week as follows:

Tuesday 5th September, 2017

Congress Tce., Crowe Lane, Orchard Drive, Whitefields, St. Brigid's Sq., Bracklone St., Corrig, St. Michael's Pk., Portlaoise Road, Kilbride, Lea Rd., Ballycarroll, Canal Court

Wednesday 6th September, 2017

Ballybrittas, Rath, Courtwood, Fisherstown, Kilbracken, Cappakeel, Morette, Emo, Portlaoise Road, Coolbanagher, Knightstown, Killeen, Tinakill, Coolaghy

Thursday 7th September, 2017

Kilmalogue Garden, Church View, Patrick Street, Assumpta Tce., St. Patrick's Tce., St. Joseph's Tce., Gracefield, Avondale, Bog Rd., Kilkeeran, Garryhinch, Sweep Road, Botley Court, The Square, Clondoolusk, Cushina, Bishopswood, Marian Hill

PILGRIMAGE WALK FOR THE FAMILY

Sun. 24th Sept. Gathering of the community at St. Paul's Church, Emo at 3pm. Come & walk with us to the crucifix in the grounds of Mount St. Anne's. Theme is "Family". We invite you to bring a **cross or stone**, plain or decorated to symbolise who or what you are bringing with you in your prayer on this Pilgrim walk. If you don't wish to walk come & pray in the Chapel at Mount St. Anne's, Killenard. All welcome.

IRISH GRINDS

Junior and Leaving Certificate Irish Grinds available from an experienced Irish speaker. Practice oral exams, essay-writing, grammar and all areas of course covered. All levels catered for. Contact Aine on 085 8344378

80'S DISCO

Proceeds in aid of Friends of St. Luke's. In the East End Hotel on Fri. 8th Sept. – 9pm until late. Adm. €5 / Dress up optional. Food & Spot prizes on the night. Come along & enjoy a great night & support a great cause.

LOST DOG

Friendly family Pet dog, Terrier /White with few brown spots on her face. Missing from Bog Road area since Wed. 23rd Aug. Contact Emma on 085 7660566. Small reward offered.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Computer Training on a **One - To - One** basis from beginners to Advanced users. *All ages catered for.* Choose Email, Internet, Skype, Facebook, Booking Tickets, Holidays Shopping, Using iPads, Tablets, Kindle, I phones, Memory Sticks, Music, Photos, Word, Excel etc. Contact [0863034540](tel:0863034540)

FUNDRAISING FOR THE EMO GAA COMPLEX DEVELOPMENT

TABLE QUIZ: Friday 8th September 9pm at The Gate House. 1st Prize €100 / Raffle with great prizes / €40 for table of four.

COFFEE MORNING & CAKE SALE

Friday 8th September at 8am at Emo Community Centre. Everyone Welcome.

SCHOOL SECRETARY (PART-TIME)

St. Patrick's BNS, Portarlinton are looking for a part-time secretary to work from 8.30am-10.30am, Monday to Friday. Experienced candidates to apply to: Pat Galvin, St. Patrick's BNS, Patrick St., Co. Offaly.

ELOCUTION, SPEECH & DRAMA CLASSES

Unique & fun way to learn the art of communication. Professional evaluation of progress & examinations conducted & certified by the IBSD. End of year performance at the Dunamais Theatre in 2018. Students help each other to grow & develop, encourage each other in confidence building & self-expression. Term begins Wed. 13th Sept. at the Leisure Centre, Portarlinton.

IMPROVISATION, ROLE PLAY, ACTING

Plus vocal exercises, mime, fun and games for Secondary Students only, Friday's from Sept. 15th at Portarlinton Leisure Centre. Further info. or to register for either of the above contact Anita on 086-2478052
Or email ceiltissd@hotmail.com

CHECK IT FITS

Child Car Seat Checking Service

Did you know 4 out of 5 child car seats are incorrectly fitted? Get your child's car seat checked for FREE! Tues. 12th Sept. from 10am-5.30pm at SuperValu, Mountmellick
Wed. 13th Sept. from 10am-5.30pm at SuperValu Car Park, Portarlinton.

EMO TEAROOMS' BOOKCLUB

The next meeting of the Emo Tearooms' Bookclub is on Mon. 11th Sept. at 11am at the tearooms to discuss 'Into The Water', by Paula Hawkins. New members are welcome.

EMO 100KM CYCLE

On Sun. 24th Sept. in aid of Emo / Rath Senior Citizens. Starting and finishing at the Old School, Emo. 100km, 50km and Emo Family Short Run. 100km Cycle starts 10.30am / 50km cycle starts 11.30am – Cycle entry fee €20. Family short run starts 11.45am – Entry Families €10 / Adults €5 / Juveniles €3. Refreshments served on return to the Old School. To support this event contact any of the Committee or there is a sponsorship card in Emo Shop and Ballybrittas Post Office.

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO 28th AUG.

Numbers 7, 10, 15, 18 – No winner
€25 to each of the following:-
Damien Behan C/o Mick / Anne Moore C/o Martha / Maeve Ryan C/o Maeve Mark Behan C/o Maeve / Gabriel Lawlor, Emo
Next Jackpot €8,800

LAOIS BUSINESS NETWORKING EVENING

Laois Business Networking evening 12th Sept. Numbers limited so please register on our website if you are interested - Business Networking Evening. Autumn 2017 training programme available LEO Laois Training 2017

PORTARLINGTON FURTHER EDUCATION & TRAINING CENTRE

Portarlinton Further Education & Training Centre are offering "General Learning QQI Level 3". Subjects: Maths & Communications through I.T. Further info. & enrolment 13th Sept. at 9.30am Contact: Pádraig Hennessy phennessy@loetb.ie - 057 8661338.

RUN TO REMEMBER

The RUN TO REMEMBER, event will take place on Sun. 10th Sept. commencing 10.30am (registration from 9am) at Portarlinton Community Centre. Lots of prizes / our memorial video / memory tree and refreshments will be served in the main sports hall afterwards. You are all very welcome to attend.

FUNDRAISER – PUB QUIZ

A Pub Quiz will take place on Thurs. 14th Sept. in the Anvil Inn commencing 8pm. All proceeds go to "My Canine Companion" This is a national charity whose main purpose is to provide highly trained & skilled service dogs to people with disabilities, particularly autism. Each service dog cost the charity just over €10,000 to train. Come along for a great night.

FAMILY FUN WALK

Sun. 17th Sept. 5K Family Fun Walk. Registration at 12 Noon. Walk commences 12.30pm from Emo Community Centre. All donations go to Meals on Wheels, Portarlinton. Sponsored by McGreal's Pharmacy.

PORTARLINGTON LEISURE CENTRE

New course of Child & Adult Swimming Lessons now booking for Sept. Limited places in each level – Phone 057-8645800.

PORTARLINGTON RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Training for all Minis Teams U.12 – U.7 on Saturdays from 10am-11am (for girls & boys from ages 5-11). New members welcome. Further info. contact 086-6080262.

O'DEMPSEY'S G.A.A. LOTTO 28th AUG.

Numbers 2,11,17,27. No Jackpot winner. Next week's Jackpot: €5,600.

SOCIAL SERVICES BINGO

Returns Wed. 6th Sept. in Portarlinton Social Services Centre at 8.30pm

HAPPY HEARTS CLUB

Returns Thurs. 7th Sept. from 2-4pm in Port. Community Centre. New members welcome.

BLOOD DONATION CLINIC

Tues. 5th Sept.; 4.30pm – 8pm. Portarlinton Community Centre. Giveblood.ie

WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY

Sun. 10th September, 2017

Theme "Take a minute, change a life"

As members of communities, it is our responsibility to look out for those who may be struggling, check in with them & encourage them to tell their story in their own way & at their own pace. Offering a gentle word of support & listening in a non-judgmental way can make all the difference.

www.yourmentalhealth.ie – Online database of mental health support throughout Ireland
086-8157320 – HSE Suicide Prevention Resource Service.

PORTARLINGTON CHRISTMAS STREET LIGHTS

Open meeting on Thurs. 7th Sept. in the Anvil Inn at 8pm sharp. New volunteers needed. All very welcome.

BURBAGE IRISH DANCE ACADEMY

Kara Burbage proudly presents the Burbage Irish Dance Academy. *Classes for all dancers* of all ages commence in Burbage Academy Dance Studio on: *Mon. 4th Sept. from 6.30 - 7.30pm / Wed. 6th Sept. from 5.30 - 6.30pm & 6.30 - 7.30pm / Fri. 8th Sept. from 6.30-7.30pm.* New members very welcome. Further info. contact Kara on 087 7681477

SUAIMHNEAS AUTUMN PROGRAM

Program of workshops planned over the coming months to help you live & embrace this wonderful time of year in a mindful & meaningful way.

Workshops planned for Autumn 2017

- *Introduction to Mindfulness Meditation*
- *Mindfulness Meditation Practice*
- *Work Support Avoid Burnout.*
- *Glimpses into the Mystery of the unfolding Universe*
- *'Let nothing be wasted' A guide to plastic free living & waste reduction in our homes.*
- *The Power of Now & A New Earth Awakening to Your Life's Purpose*
- *Mindful Christmas Workshop*
Spaces limited so booking essential.
Tea/Coffee & delicious home baking to look forward to. E-mail info@suaimhneas.ie or Phone 057 8626541.

KILBRIDE ART GROUP

Art classes for beginners & mature students / children commences as follows: Mon. 11th Sept. / Tues. 12th Sept. / Wed. 13th Sept. Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday (Morning) 10am-12 Noon. Sketching & drawing classes also available. Ph: 086 2392997

PIANO LESSONS / EXAM GRINDS

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

LAOIS HOSPICE ANNUAL

COFFEE MORNING

Coffee morning takes place Thurs. 14th Sept. If you would like to host a Coffee Morning in your home, business or work place call Ann at 087-6270988 for details. Please support this worthy organisation. All money raised stays in the County to fund services.

SAMARITANS INFORMATION NIGHT

Do you have 3 hours to spare each week & are you willing to help someone in distress? You don't need experience – Training provided. All you need is willingness to listen without judgment. Come along to the Information nights Wed. 6th & Thurs. 7th Sept. at 8pm in Samaritans, 3 McElwaine Tce., Newbridge.
Recruitment line 086-0855785.

