

Parishes of Portarlington & Emo

Portarlington & Emo Parishes are part of the Pastoral Area along with Killeigh, Clonaslee, Rosenallis & Mountmellick



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PARISH OFFICE

Tel: 057 8643004 - Email: portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net / Parish Office Hours: 9.30am – 1.30pm Mon. – Fri.
Anniversary Masses, Baptisms and Weddings can be booked by contacting the Parish Office during opening hours.

DIOCESE www.kandle.ie

SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline: 116 123

Email: jo@samaritans.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 051-350725

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G.R.O.W. www.grow.ie Info:1890 474 474

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: Jackie McNulty; Frances O'Dwyer; Mary Joyce; Clare Nerney

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4TH OCTOBER 2026

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year 'A'

St. Francis of Assisi

MASS TIMES

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

10am Daily Mass (Monday – Friday) / 6.15pm

(Vigil Saturday) 9am & 12.15pm Sunday

St. John's Church, Killenard 10.30am Sunday

St. Paul's Church, Emo 7.30pm Sat. /11am Sun.

Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am Sunday



MISSION MONTH

*The people of the world
are fragile... Handle with
PRAYER*



CELEBRATION OF MASS VIA WEBCAM

Link to live streaming from St. Michael's
Church, Portarlington
[www.mcnlive/camera/st-michaels-church-
portarlington](http://www.mcnlive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington)



Portarlington & Emo Parish
@EmoParish

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2027



Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard
Thursday 4th March at 11.30am
In St. John's Church, Killenard

St. Paul's N.S., Emo & Cloneyhurke N.S.
Fri. 5th March at 11am
In St. Paul's Church, Emo

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath
Fri. 5th March at 2pm
In Church of the Sacred Heart, Rath

Scoil Pdraig, Canal Road, Portarlington
Thurs. 11th March at 11am
In St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

Presentation Primary School, Station Road
Thurs. 11th March at 2pm
In St. Michael's Church, Portarlington.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027



St. Paul's N.S., Emo
Saturday 8th May at 11am
In St. Paul's Church, Emo.



Presentation Primary School, Station Rd.
Saturday 15th May at 11am
in St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

Scoil Pdraig, Canal Road
Saturday 15th May at 1.30pm
In St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath
Saturday 22nd May at 11am
In Church of the Sacred Heart, Rath.

Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard
Sat. 22nd May at 1pm
In St. John's Church, Killenard

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Mon. 5th Oct: St. Faustina Kowalska

Tues. 6th Oct: St. Bruno

Wed. 7th Oct: Our Lady of the Rosary

Fri. 9th Oct: St. John Henry Newman

Children's Day of Mission Prayer

COLLECTORS IN RATH FOR OCTOBER

Pauric Duffy & John Boland

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**St. Michael's Church, Portarlington on
Tuesday's after 10am Mass until 7pm
with Rosary afterwards.**

CHAIR PILATES WITH SABRINA

Portarlington Community Centre, Mon. 5th,
12th, 19th Oct. & 2nd Nov. from 10-11am.
Cost €10 for 4 weeks. Contact Catriona
on 086 7935234.

EMO / RATH PARISH LOTTO

Week No. 2036 – 28th Sept. 2026. Numbers
11, 14, 17, 20 - No jackpot winner. €25 to
each of the following:- Linda Hand c/o Shauna
Strong; John & Michele Lalor c/o Colette
Behan; Breda Horan c/o Bernie Gorman;
Micheal Connolly c/o Deirdre Lawlor;
Mary & George McEvoy c/o Ann Deering
**Next draw takes place on the 5th October
with a Jackpot of €4,800.**



GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB

28th Sept. 2016 / Week No. 40
Numbers 21, 23, 11, 14 – No jackpot winner.
€50 each to the following:- Naomi Luttrell; Tom
Garry; Noeleen Murphy; Val Meredith; Vincent
Dunne. Bonus prizes 2 x €50 to Catherine
Gorry & to Mary Garry. Promoter prize: Liam
Corcoran. **Next week's jackpot €12,400**

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB LOTTO

**Next draw takes place on 6th October
with a Jackpot of €10,000**

IRISH CANCER SOCIETY

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

The Irish Cancer Society is seeking
compassionate volunteer drivers to join our
pool of drivers. As a volunteer driver you would
be bringing patients undergoing chemotherapy
to the hospital and back home for their
treatment. If you can spare 2 days per month,
have a valid driving licence, and a safe,
reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate
to make a significant difference. The Irish
Cancer Society will provide you with training
before you start as a driver for us. For more
information and to become a volunteer driver,
please contact Monica or Emily
at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

GRACEFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB (F.C.)

Gracefield F.C. run a weekly 50/50 fundraising
draw with tickets priced at €2 for a single entry
or €5 for 3 entries, taking place every Monday.
You can buy tickets on line through the
Gracefield FC Clubspot Fundraisers Page.
[https://member.clubspot.app/club/gracefield-
fc/fundraisers](https://member.clubspot.app/club/gracefield-fc/fundraisers)

SWISH BASKETBALL ACADEMY

HALLOWEEN CAMP

Oct. 27th, 28th and 29th in Colaiste Íosagáin,
Portarlington R32HV 25.
Junior Ballers 10am – 1pm (12 years & under)
Senior Ballers 1.30 – 4.30pm (13 years +).
For further information & cost contact
Josie on 087 4026970.

REFLECTION

*"Lord, help me to live this day quietly & easily,
to lean on your great strength trustfully &
restfully, to wait for the unfolding of your will
patiently & serenely, to meet others peacefully
& joyfully, to face tomorrow confidently &
courageously. Amen
Morning prayer of St. Francis of Assisi*

COLAISTE IOSAGAIN, PORTARLINGTON

Open night – Thurs. 8th October

Postponed

Due to National Industrial Action our OPEN NIGHT
is POSTPONED. Enrolment for First Year 2027
can be made through our website from Friday
9th October. Click on the First Year Tab.

PORTARLINGTON



**To book call in to Library, Ph: 057 8643751
Email portarlingtonlibrary@laoisisco.ie**

Sensory Play Session: For children aged 1-3
years. Tues. 6th Oct. 12 Noon to 1pm.

Places limited so please book!

Nature Print & Weaving Workshop: Join Ailbhe
from Laois Forest School for this wonderful
workshop. Adults only. Places limited so
booking is essential.

Finger Puppets & Music Story-time:

This delightful story-time suitable for 3-5 year olds.
Places limited so booking essential.

Ghost Themed Craft Table: Start preparing for
Halloween with our fun parent & child craft table.
Tues. 27th Oct. 2.30pm. No booking required.

Child must be accompanied by parent.

**Music Therapy for children with additional
needs & their parents:** Suitable for children aged 5
- 7years. Places limited so booking essential.

Room on the Broom Story-time & Colouring:
Sat 31st Oct. 11am. Enjoy a reading of this witchy
tale & finish with some Halloween colouring.

Perfect way to get into the spooky mood!

Ciorcal Comhrá: Every Tuesday 11am.

New members always welcome.

La Leche League Coffee Morning: Tues. 13th Oct
10:30-11:30. Informal chat and gathering.

Parents First Baby Group: Every Wed. 12-1pm.
For children aged 0-1 & their parents. Booking &
further info. from Jennifer 085 8683168

Digital Support Drop-in Sessions: An LOETB
tutor will be available on Fri. 2nd, 9th & 23rd Oct. from
10:30 -12:30pm for one on one support sessions.
Bring along your device and any digital queries you
may have. No booking necessary.

Knitting Club: Friday morning 10:30am-12:30.

Lego Free Play: Saturday 10am-1pm

Social Chess (Adults only): Wednesday 6-7pm,
Portarlington Junior Book Club: Meeting on the
last Wed. each month. Please book. 9-12year olds.

Baby Book Club: Wednesdays 10:30am (during
term time) Suitable for children 0-3. Please book.

ANAM CARA PARENT SUPPORT EVENING

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports
bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent
Support Evening on Wed. 14TH Oct. from 7.30pm in
the Mullingar Park Hotel.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents
regardless of the age their child died, the
circumstances of their death, or how recent their
death was. You do not need to register in advance.
We also offer an online support group meeting.

To find out more call 01 4045378 or

email info@anamcara.ie

CLONEYHURKE NATIONAL SCHOOL

The School will be accepting applications for
2027 / 2028 enrolment from 23rd October to the
13th November 2026. Application Forms are
available on www.cloneyhurke.net or by calling
057 8623271.

SCOIL NAOMH EOIN, KILLENARD

Junior Infant Admissions for September 2027

Accepting applications from Fri. 23rd Oct. 2026 until
Fri. 13th November 2026. Application forms
available to download from www.naomheoin.ie via
Email office@naomheoin.ie or phone 057 8626217.