

# PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO

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## PARISH OFFICE

Tel: 057 8643004 - Email: [portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net](mailto: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](http://www.kandle.ie) **SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline: 116 123** Email: [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org) **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** 087 7640557

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**PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES:** Jackie McNulty; Frances O'Dwyer; Mary Joyce; Clare Nerney  
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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 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2020**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS YEAR 'A'**

## ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 6<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10am Rachel Darragh, Co. Antrim  
 & Mary Kenna, Graigcullen  
 Tues. 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10am ---  
 Wed. 8<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10am Kathleen Higgins, Patrick Street  
 (Birthday Remembrance)  
 Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10am ---  
 Fri. 10<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10am ---

### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January – 6.15pm

Joseph & Anne Sweeney, Marian Hill, Son  
 Thomas Sweeney, Grandsons Declan Sweeney  
 & Leon Wade; David & Theresa Malone,  
 Assumpta Tce; Mary Kinsella (nee Malone);  
 Deceased members of the Malone Family;  
 Dermot Crossan; Catherine Crossan; James &  
 Bridget Kelly, Cushina & deceased members of  
 the Kelly Family; Mary Brigid Keating; Derek  
 Dunne, Garryhinch (30<sup>th</sup> Anniv.), John & Annie  
 Dunne, Peter Dunne, Bridie Dunne;  
 Patrick & Dora Goley,

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January – 12.15pm

Tom Murphy, Corrig; Lauri Lawlor Snr. (17<sup>th</sup>  
 Anniv.) & Lauri Lawlor Jnr. (16<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
 Stephen McCormack, Dereen

### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January – 6.15pm

Patrick Ryan, Arlington Est. & Lea Rd;  
 Ann Connolly, Spa St. (7<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January – 12.15pm

Maureen McEvoy, Avondale  
 Bridie & John O'Donnell, St. Brigid's Sq;  
 Mollie Coughlan, Kilmalogue

## ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January – 10.30am

John Kavanagh, Lough

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January – 10.30am

JJ Bannon, Lea; Eugene, Ellen & Terry Sullivan  
 & dec. members of the Sullivan & Yorke  
 Families; Eberhard Bauer, Clonanny &  
 Germany; Patsy McGurrell, Garryvacum  
 (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

## DECEASED



Prayers are requested for the following  
 who died during the week:-

Christy Smith, Ballymorris  
 Jack Hyland, Garryhinch



## ANNIVERSARIES EMO

### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January – 7.30pm

Kitty Lynch, Killeen (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.);  
 Matthew & Mary Ellen Dunne, Coolaghy;  
 Patrick J. Delaney, Emo (8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January – 7.30pm

Tom, Bridie & Lily Fitzpatrick, Dangans,  
 Mountmellick

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January – 11am

Maisie Keegan, Botley Court, Portarlington (MM)

## ANNIVERSARIES RATH

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January – 9am

Tim O'Connell, Coolroe

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January – 9am

Anne Tynan, Jamestown & her Mother  
 Anne Delaney, Coole;  
 Joe & Julia Connell, Coolroe & grandson Joseph

## BAPTISM

We welcome into the Christian Community  
 through Baptism



### PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Aaron James Gallagher, Killenard Lodge

### EMO PARISH

Sebastian James Harte, Woodbrook & Canada

## FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY



Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 is the Feast  
 of the Epiphany and is a Holy Day.  
 Masses on the Holy Day as follows:

Portarlington: 10am & 7.30pm

Killenard: 10.30am

Emo: 7.30pm

Rath: 9am

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

### SUN. 5<sup>th</sup> JANUARY, 2020

Emo 3-5pm Angela Pigott  
 Rath 2.30-4.30pm ---



## LECTORS (READERS)

### Portarlington

Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Jan. 6.15pm Catherine Finegan  
 Sun. 9am Ailish Ridgeway  
 12.15pm Anne Dunne

### Killenard

Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Niall Briody

### Emo

Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7.30pm Ciaran McEvoy  
 Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 11am Stephanie Lewis

### Rath

Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 9am Brian Nolan

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

### 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. Killenard – Team C

Niall Briody / Eamonn Bracken /  
 Dympna Campbell

### 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. Portarlington – Team C

(See Rota)

## CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed  
 so generously to the recent collection for the  
 Priests of the Parish. Your generosity is  
 greatly appreciated.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### 2020

Ash Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Good Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April

Easter Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April

Ascension Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Pentecost Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May

Trinity Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Corpus Christi Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 29<sup>th</sup> November

## CHURCH COLLECTORS

### JANUARY 2020

#### St. Paul's Church, Emo

Sat. 7.30pm Liam Fitzpatrick &  
 Michael Whyte Jnr.

Sun. 11am Michael Moloney &  
 Kieran McEvoy

#### Sacred Heart Church, Rath

9am Frank Duffy & Paddy Wilson

## TEACH MHUIRE PRAYING COMMUNITY

### MASS FOR HEALING



Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January with Rosary at 7.45 and  
 Mass at 8pm. St. Paul's Church, Emo.  
 Celebrant: Fr. Eddie Lalor – CC Portlaoise.



**PORTARLINGTON LOURDES  
PILGRIMAGE  
2020**



The 2020 Pilgrimage will take place from the  
**7<sup>th</sup> August 2020 for 7 nights**  
Full board Hotel Solitude. For booking & further  
details contact Marie on 087 7589896 or Vera  
on 087 9311813, or, indeed, any member of the  
Committee.

**Wishing everyone a Happy & Peaceful  
New Year.**

**EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO**

Next draw will take place Mon. 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020.  
Jackpot €5,000.

**PORTARLINGTON PARISH ENVELOPES**

The envelope boxes are available at the Church  
porches this weekend. The boxes contain  
weekly collection envelopes & special collection  
envelopes. To register write your name &  
address on 1<sup>st</sup> envelope. This contribution goes  
towards the upkeep of schools, churches &  
parish buildings. Thank all who contributed  
during the past year.

**CHARITABLE DONATIONS 2019**

For 2019 any Parishioner giving more than €250  
to the Parish will entitle the Parish to a tax  
refund. This includes donations made by both  
PAYE persons and Self Employed persons. On  
this basis any Parishioner who contributes €250  
or more to the Parish in 2019, this donation will  
entitle the Parish to a tax rebate. Forms  
available from the Parish Office. Sincere thanks  
for your generosity in contributing to the Parish  
at all times.

**CHEQUES:** Due to Bank requirements, all  
cheques made payable to the Parish should  
have the correct Account name.

**Portarlington Parish:** *Portarlington Parish  
Number 1 Account*

**Emo Parish:** *Emo Parish Number 1 Account  
Priests Collections*

**Portarlington:** *Portarlington Clergy Fund  
Emo: Emo Clergy Fund*

Individual Priests names should not be  
written on the cheques.

**USED STAMPS**

Used stamps needed for the missions. Drop  
them into Delaney's of Bracklone Street.

**ART THERAPIST**

Child, Adolescent & Adult Therapist providing  
confidential space to process emotions,  
thoughts & behaviours. Contact: Aisling  
Brennan, Art Therapist 0877139015  
[trueselftrueart@gmail.com](mailto:trueselftrueart@gmail.com)

**O'DEMPSEY'S G.A.A.**

Lotto Jackpot: €1,800. The next Lotto draw will  
be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.

**PORTARLINGTON LEISURE CENTRE**

1 Day Mega Membership Sale on the 6<sup>th</sup> Jan.  
only. Check out our website or Facebook page.

**FOUND**

Found after the Christmas Carol Service in St.  
Michael's Church - Birthday card in a pink  
envelope (name Sophie). Phone the Parish  
Office for details (057) 8643004.

**PORTARLINGTON G.R.O.W. GROUP**

"GROW Community Mental Health Movement  
support group meets on Thursdays at 2.30pm in  
the Social Services Centre, Link Road. If you  
are lonely, isolated or suffering from stress why  
not come learn a practical psychology of mental  
health. Contact Assumpta 086-811 4135. Visit  
[www.grow.ie](http://www.grow.ie). Info. line 1890 474 474  
GROW Promoting Positive Mental Health.



**PRAYER FOR THE EPIPHANY  
A STAR IS BORN**



*The Magi were led to Christ by the  
light of a star.  
But they saw the star only because  
they were not afraid to travel in the dark.  
The fact is, we cannot see the stars  
in the bright light of day,  
but only in the darkness of night;  
and the darker the night,  
the brighter they shine.  
In a sense, all of us are night-time travelers.  
However, we need no longer fear the  
darkness,  
because with the coming of Christ  
a light has come into the world,  
a light that shines in the dark,  
a light that no darkness can overpower.*

**PARISH OFFICE**

Office opening hours Mon – Fri. 9.30am –  
1.30pm. **It is important that ALL notices for  
the Parish Newsletter to be in with the Office  
by Wednesday of each week.**

**MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE**

Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> July  
2020. Cost €645. Direct Flight To Mostar  
reduces journey by three hours. Booking after  
1<sup>st</sup> Feb. 2020 cost €695. Spiritual Director  
Fr. Sean Hyland. Contact Michael Nerney on  
086-8157305 further info. & for booking.

**ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB**

**LOTTO RESULTS**

Draw held on 27<sup>th</sup> December. Letters N, Q, I, C  
No jackpot winner. €25 each to: Richard  
Confrey / Eamon Kelly/ Ann Lowry. Sellers prize  
Richard Confrey. Next draw will take place on  
7<sup>th</sup> Jan. Jackpot €10,000.

**BABY MASSAGE CLASS**



Next course starting Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January and  
continues for the following three Mondays, 27<sup>th</sup>  
January, 3<sup>rd</sup> February and 10<sup>th</sup> February from  
10am to 11.30am at Yogaland Studio  
Portarlington. Booking essential. For more  
details contact: Catriona 086 8890005

**PORTARLINGTON & KILLENARD  
CHARITY BALL**



Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2020 at the Heritage Hotel in  
Killenard. The charity this year will be The Laois  
/ Offaly Palliative Care. Please support these  
wonderful nurses and the great work they do.  
To book a ticket / table contact: Marie 087  
7589896 / Colette 086 2654277 / Maria 086  
3058181 or call to Saoirse Care Shop (beside  
Burbage's Supermarket), Portarlington.



Samaritans support lines are available 24 hours  
a day, 365 days a year, offering non-judgmental  
and confidential support whenever you need us.  
Free-phone 116123, Text  
087 2609090 or Email

**ENROLMENT FOR SCHOOL  
YEAR 2020 / 2021**

**Scoil Náisiúnta Naomh Eoin, Killenard**

Available from school reception & to  
download from our website  
[www.killenardschool.weebly.com](http://www.killenardschool.weebly.com) from Mon.  
6<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2020. Closing date for application is  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan. 2020 at 5pm.

**Presentation Primary School, Station Rd.**

Open online from 6<sup>th</sup> Jan. to 31<sup>st</sup> Jan. 2020.  
Please fill out the online form on homepage  
of [www.presprimary.ie](http://www.presprimary.ie) or pick up a pre-  
enrollment form from the office, this form  
can also be downloaded from the website.  
Further info. phone 057-8623007.

**Scoil Phádraig, Canal Rd.**

Enrolment forms for both Junior Infants &  
1<sup>st</sup> Class will be available from the school  
reception & to download from school  
website [www.stpatricksbns.ie](http://www.stpatricksbns.ie) from Mon. 6<sup>th</sup>  
Jan., 2020. Closing date for applications Fri.  
31<sup>st</sup> Jan. Information evening for  
parents/guardians will take place in  
February – Date to be confirmed.

**St. Paul's N.S., Emo**

For application form please ring the office  
(057-8646868) between 9am & 1pm or e-  
mail [secretary@emons.ie](mailto:secretary@emons.ie). Closing date for  
applications Fri. 31<sup>st</sup> Jan. 2020.

**Sacred Heart N.S., Rath**

Enrolling during the month of January.  
Forms available on our website [rathns.ie](http://rathns.ie)  
or contact the school on 057-8626270.

**CONFIRMATION 2020**

**Sacred Heart N.S., RATH**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020 at 11am



**St. Paul's N.S., EMO**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020 at 2pm



**Scoil Naomh Eoin, KILLENARD**

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2020 at 11.30am



**Scoil Phádraig, Cúil an tSúdaire**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2020 at 11am



**Presentation Primary School,  
& Cloneyhurke N.S.**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2020 at 2pm



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

**2020**

**Sacred Heart NS, RATH**

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 at 11.30am



**St. Paul's NS, EMO**

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 at 11am



**Presentation Primary School,  
Portarlington  
& Cloneyhurke N.S.**

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 at 11.30am



**Scoil Naomh Eoin, KILLENARD**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2020 at 11.30am



**Scoil Phádraig, Cúil an tSúdaire**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 at 11.30am

**THANK YOU**



The Ryan Family & Friends Carol Singers  
thank you for your generous contributions  
which will be given to charities working to  
support people with cancer. Thanks also to  
Supervalu for the use of their premises.