

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 5TH MAY 2019 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR 'C'

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 6th May 10am Elizabeth Gibson,
 St. Michael's Park

Tues. 7th May 10am ---

Wed. 8th May 10am ---

Thurs. 9th May 10am ---

Fri. 10th May 10am ---

Saturday 4th May – 6.15pm

Patrick (Paddy) Hynan, Portlaoise Rd. (1st Anniv.); John & Elizabeth Callaghan, St. Michael's Pk; Edward Moore, St. Patrick's Tce. (45th Anniv.), Son, John Moore, Daughter Sheila Bradley-Moore & Daughter in Law Kathleen Moore, Manchester; Mary Hoey, St. Joseph's Tce. (13th Anniv.)

Sunday 5th May – 12.15pm

Anastasia Hooper (nee Costello), Manchester & formerly St. Patrick's Tce. (M.M.) & her husband Peter Hooper, Angela McEvoy, St. Joseph's Tce. (3rd Anniv.); Margaret (Peggy) Murphy, Assumpta Tce. (10th Anniv.); John Joe Cummins, Marian Hill; Charles McKeagney, Orchard Drive (15th Anniv.); Sheila & Thomas Troy & deceased members of the Troy Family, Bracklone St.; Magella Hyland (nee Milner), The Borne & Portarlington (13th Anniv.); Daniel & Kathleen Hayden, St. Brigid's Sq. & dec. members of the Hayden & Moran Families

Saturday 11th May – 6.15pm

Mal Keogh, St. Michael's Park (7th Anniv.); Dolores (Loney) Shortall, Arlington Est; Michael Connolly, Marian Hill; Shirley Connolly, Botley Court (Birthday rem.); William Smith & Margaret Smith, Seskin, daughter Agnes Powell (1st Anniv.); & deceased members of the Smith & Enright Families; Gerard & Esther Kelly, St. Michael's Pk; Anne Hyland (nee Kelly); James (Jimmy) Murphy (8th Anniv.) & dec. members of the Murphy Family, St. Patrick's Tce. Fergus Murphy, Congress Tce. (14th Anniv.)

Sunday 12th May – 12.15pm

Gus Hynes, Cushina (2nd Anniv.); Kathleen Carey & Anthony Carey, St. Brigid's Sq; Martin Dunne, Cloneyhurke; Kathleen Garry, Cloneyquinn; Paddy O'Reilly, Marian Hill; John Harney, Cushina; John & Elizabeth Cleary, Cushina; Michael & Sarah Slevin, French Church Street

ANNIVERSARIES – KILLENARD

Sunday 5th May – 10.30am

Tom Whelehan, Closelands (3rd Anniv.)
 Tom McCormack; Jimmy & Liam McCormack, Lea Road

Sunday 12th May – 10.30am

Marian Hickey, The Square (M.M.)
 Jim Cooper, Clonanny; Pattie & John Joe Bannon, Lea



ANNIVERSARIES – EMO

Saturday 4th May – 7.30pm

Tom & Bridget Fitzpatrick & Lily Fitzpatrick, Dangans; Mary Young, Patrick Young & James Young, Morette; Pat (Patrick) Fenlon, Ballybrittas (3rd Anniv.)

Sunday 5th May – 11am

Michael & Mary Dooley, Morette & their son Kieran Dooley, Morette

Sunday 12th May – 11am

Michael Whyte Snr., Killimy

ANNIVERSARIES – RATH

Sunday 5th May – 9am

Pat Cullen, Fisherstown (M.M.)
 Rose Dunne, Coolroe (M.M.)
 Simon Luttrell, Fisherstown
 May O'Connell & Paddy O'Dwyer (Birthday Remembrance)

DECEASED

Prayers are requested for the following who died recently:

Bernie Cunningham, Kilcar, Donegal (Mother of Bernie Weston, Graigaverne)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

Congratulations to the children from **Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard**, who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in St. John's Church, Killenard this weekend.

The children from **Presentation**

Primary School, Portarlington

will receive the Sacrament of

First Holy Communion on

Saturday next, 11th May at 11.30am.

Sacred Heart NS, Rath children Sat 18th

May at 11.30am

St. Paul's NS, Emo children Sun. 19th May

at 11am

St. Patrick's BNS & Cloneyhurke NS

Sat. 25th May at 11.30am

CEMETERY MASSES 2019

Killenard

Friday 5th July – 7.30pm

Portarlington

Friday 12th July – 7.30pm

Emo New Cemetery

Friday 26th July – 7.30pm

Emo Old Cemetery

Thursday 15th Aug. 7.30pm

O'DEMPSEYS G.A.A.

ANNUAL MASS

Friday 17th May at 8pm in O'Dempsey's Club House. Mass for past, present, sick and deceased Members of the Club. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Tea & sandwiches will be served afterwards.

LECTORS (11th / 12th May)

Portarlington: Sat. 6.15pm Margaret Doyle / Sun. 9am Tom Hainsworth / 12.15pm Micheline Murphy

Killenard: Sun. 10.30am Michael O'Hora

Emo: Sat. 7.30pm Doreen Dunne / Sun.

11am Stephanie Lewis

Rath: Sun. 9am Michelle Carroll

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (11th / 12th May)

Portarlington – Team A

Killenard- Team D

PORTARLINGTON LECTORS

Rota from end April 2019 – end November 2019 sent out to all Lectors.

Rota from end April 2019 to end November 2019 for Eucharistic Ministers available on church notice board or in the Parish Office.

TEACH MHUIRE PRAYING COMMUNITY

Mass for Healing on Tues. 7th

May in St. Paul's Church

Emo. Rosary 7.45pm at the

Grotto. Mass 8pm. Celebrant

Fr. Eddie Lalor CC Portlaoise.



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT SUN. 5TH MAY, 2019

Emo 3-6pm Michael Nerney & Teresa Coman

Rath 2.30–5.30pm Fergus Byron &

George Doyle

CHURCH COLLECTORS MAY

St. Paul's Church, Emo

7.30pm Aidan Crowley & Pat Keegan

11am Michael Moloney & Seamus Fitzpatrick

Sacred Heart Church, Rath

9am Tommy Wilson & John Lowry

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the recent Church Gate collections in aid of the local St. Vincent de Paul. Thanks also to our collectors. Your generosity is much appreciated.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING

For the beatification of

Blessed John Sullivan, SJ

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Denis Nulty in Clongowes Wood College on Sun. 12th May at 3pm. Anointing of the sick & blessing with the cross of Blessed John Sullivan, SJ will take place immediately after Mass. All welcome.

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO 29/4/2019

Numbers 3, 6, 10, 12 - No jackpot winner.
 €25 to each of the following: John Lowry C/o Ann / Angela Piggott C/o Pat Gorman / Michael Ryan, New Inn / Elizabeth Flynn C/o Maeve / Geraldine Finlay C/o Ann Lowry
Next Jackpot 13th May 2019 - €3,600

CHILDMINDER AVAILABLE

Experienced Mum available to mind children in own home, situated in Cloncosney / Mountmellick area. Home from home environment catering for all ages (baby / toddler / preschool / afterschool). BA Hons Degree in Early Childhood Education & Montessori Diploma. Contact Laura Lawlor laurafarrell01@gmail.com 085-7405057.

PORTARLINGTON – FLÉADH CEOIL LAOISE

Portarlington will host its own Fleadh Ceoil this May / June with Cúil an Tsúdaire 2019. Lots of great events will take place throughout the town. Launch will take place Mon. 13th May at 7.30pm in Portarlington Social Services Centre, Link Rd.

B SHARP ANNUAL SHOWCASE

B sharp Annual showcase takes place in Judge Roy Beans, Killenard on Thurs. 9th and Friday 10th May at 7.30pm. Tickets are €10 each on sale from Eamonn Brackens menswear shop main street or Conor 086-1639153 and Keith 085-7516595. Tickets will be limited but can be purchased at the door if ordered. Great night of talent and entertainment guaranteed. Also register anytime for any instrument or voice for last term by contacting us on above numbers.

SKILLS, EDUCATION & JOBS FAIR

(Idea generation bootcamp & employment opportunities in the Midlands)
Mount Lucas Training Centre, Daingean R35 XW10. From 10am-2pm 17th May 2019.
The Regional Transition Team is hosting the above event in Mount Lucas Training Centre. This event is organised solely for the casual, seasonal and fulltime employees of Bord na Mona but all are welcome. Businesses with regional job opportunities in the manufacturing and construction will attend and a number of job offers will be made on the day.
To register your interest in attending, call Rita on 057-9362508.

DAFFODIL DAY – THANK YOU

Mary & Jenny Miller of No. 57 Boutique, Main Street, Portarlington, thank, most sincerely everyone who attended and donated to their recent Annual Daffodil Day / Coffee Day. A total of €1170 was raised for the Irish Cancer Society on the day.

FRIENDS TOGETHER

Friends Together, Portarlington are running a table quiz on May 10th at 9.30pm in the Anvil Inn, Portarlington. 1st, 2nd, 3rd prizes on the night. Also, a raffle with lots of prizes. Please support and ask your friends to support this club who raise funds to bring their members on day trips.
The Club meet every Tuesday and Friday at 2.30pm in the Scouts Den, Main Street. Come along for a cuppa and a chat. Play some games if you wish too.

LIP SYNC BATTLES

Sun. 5th May (today) in the Heritage, Killenard. Commencing 8pm – Doors open 7pm. Tickets €20. In aid of St. Patrick's Boys NS, Canal Road Astro Turf.

THANK YOU PATRICK STREET!

Come and see us set off to Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road. The pupils, parents, teachers and staff of St. Patrick's BNS extend heartfelt thanks for all your support and co-operation for almost 70 years. On Tuesday next, 7th May, the boys will walk from the main school on Patrick Street to Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road. This is a very exciting time and we would love you all to be part of our going away ceremony and to cheer us on as we head off on our new journey. Proceedings will commence at the main school on Patrick Street at 10am and we will depart for the last time at 11am.
Looking forward to seeing you all.

SUAIMHNEAS – CAPPAKEEL – EMO

“Awakening to who you are”

2 Day – 18th May / 29th June - Introduces participants to a pathway of personal development / spiritual awakening.

Power of Now

Sun. 19th May 10am-4.30pm. An exploration & experience of Eckhard Tolle's teachings.

Thursday's at Suaimhneas

Meditation & Prayer 3.30-4.30pm
Mindfulness Meditation Practice 7.30pm-8.30pm

Further information & other weekly workshops visit www.suaimhneas.ie

057-8626541. info@suaimhneas.ie

Spaces are limited so booking is essential



UPCOMING EVENTS AT MOUNT ST ANNE'S

Prayerful Meditation Day

Sat. 11th May 10am–3.30pm – A day of prayerful relaxation in a beautiful peaceful setting. Facilitated by Sr. Breda O'Shea.
Cost: €25 (please bring packed Lunch)
Tea/Coffee provided.

Pilgrim Paths & The Celtic Camino – Public talk with John O'Dwyer. Wed. 22nd May at 7.30pm. In 2012 John walked the pilgrim paths of Ireland from Slemish in Co. Antrim to Skellig Michael in Co. Kerry. In his talk, John will recount his own feelings and experiences, along with the many entertaining and insightful characters and echoes from the historic past he encountered on his Irish Pilgrim Journey.

This talk will be followed by the launch of Mount St. Anne's Strategic Plan 2019-2023

BABY MASSAGE CLASS

Course starting Mon. 13th May & following 3 Mondays 20th, 27th May and 10th June from 10am to 11.30am at Yogaland Studio Portarlington. Details & Booking 086-8890005.

MONDAY NIGHT DANCING

In aid of Portarlington St. Vincent de Paul every Monday in the Gandon Inn. Adm. €8.
Dancing 9.30pm – 12. May 6th Peter Burke / May 13th J & S Sound.

PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY

Events – May 2019

Friday's 10.30am

Knitting and Crochet Group (Free) Watercolour Cards Workshop

Participants will learn some simple watercolour techniques & create some elegant cards or postcards. Booking on 057 8643751.

Thurs. 9th May 10.15am-11.30am with artist Caroline Keane. This event is free!

INFORMATION MEETING

Emo Court / O.P.W. invite the local community to an Information Meeting on Tues. 7th May at 7.30pm in Emo Court House to discuss plans for the house and estate.

EMO ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP

On Mon. May 6th we will celebrate National Community Day in the Old School Community Centre with entertainment, music & singing followed by tea & light refreshments. A great opportunity for the local community to meet up.

WEIGHT WATCHERS STUDIO

Venue: Portarlington Community Centre, Link Road. Classes held on the 1st floor of the centre every Tuesday at 10.15am. Contact Suzanne Doyle on suzannedoyle.wv.ie or call in on the day.

PORTARLINGTON

TRAIL WALKING GROUP

Tuesdays during the month of May – From Oriel House, Main Street. This group encourages beginners to join their weekly walks. Phone 086-3288858.

PORTARLINGTON LAOISES

PILGRIMAGE

The 2019 Pilgrimage will take place from the 8th to the 15th August 2019 - 7 nights full board Hotel Solitude****. Price €839 per person sharing. Transport to airport included. Just a few seats remaining.

Contact Marie 087-7589896 or Vera 087-9311813 or Any Committee Member.

Portarlington Lourdes Fund

Sponsored 5K Walk / Run

Sun. 19th May at the Heritage Track in Killenard commencing 11am. Register at 10am in the Leisure Centre, The Heritage. Cost €10. Sponsored by McLoughlin's Supervalu. Refreshments afterwards in the hotel. All very welcome.

LAOIS ARTHOUSE, STRADBALLY

Laois Arthouse in Stradbally will host a number of creative events for the month of May for Laois Bealtaine Festival. These include: the launch of 'Fiesta. **Budding writers** of an older age have the chance to take part in a series of creative writing workshops with well known writer Jean O'Brien. Running on Wednesday's 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th May at 11am at the Arthouse. Booking essential – Limited numbers.

For anyone who would like to try **pottery** there is a lovely series of workshops called **“Reconnect”** running over three weeks, with resident ceramic artist Cathy Whelan. On Friday's 3rd, 10th & 17th May from 11.30am-1pm. Booking essential for both of the above. Limited numbers - T: 057 8664033/13 or E: artsoff@laoiscoco.ie

LAOIS ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY

Laois Alzheimer's Society Resource Centre at 47 Main Street Portlaoise is open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm. **Support Group** is on Wed. 15th May at 7.30- 9pm in Resource Centre, Portlaoise. The support groups provide an opportunity to meet others in a similar situation, to access information and practical advice in supportive environment. For any information on dementia contact Ann Munnally on 057 866 3398/086 8372168 Home-care Coordinator Email laois.branch@alzheimier.ie laois.branch@alzheimier.ie

PORTARLINGTON LAWN TENNIS CLUB

2019 / 2020 membership year

Coaching with Tony. Only 2 Adult places left. Monday 8pm. Suitable for beginners and non team players. Places left for Children 4/5 years on Tuesday 3.15. Membership not required for Beginner Adults or the 3.15pm classes. A waiting list now in place for most other age groups. Phone Nuala on 087 1231135 if interested.

ST. BRIGID'S COMMUNITY TEXT ALERT GROUP

Sincere thanks to all those that have paid their annual subscription of €20, however there are some still outstanding. They can still pay the €20 by contacting their local area representative. St. Brigid's Group carries out a very important role working with the Gardai to prevent criminal activity in our rural society, so by paying your annual subscription you can ensure it will continue to function as a valuable asset to our community.

Chairman Brian Guinan 086-2470201
Secretary Dawn Champ 087-2770660
Treasurer Jim Shaw 087-9191247

ARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB LOTTO

Results for 20th April. - Letters O, C, M, F No winner. €25 to Jacqueline McCormack and Luke Kelly. Sellers prize: Jack Kenny. Next draw will take place on the 14th May with a Jackpot of €10,000.