



PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



PRIESTS PHONE NUMBERS

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PARISH OFFICE

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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 087 7640557 AWARE Lo-call Helpline 1890 303 302 G.R.O.W. www.grow.ie Info: 1890 474 474

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MASS TIMES

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington
10am Daily Mass (Monday – Friday)
6.15pm (Vigil – Sat.), 9am & 12.15pm Sunday
St. John's Church, Killenard 10.30am Sun.
St. Paul's Church, Emo
7.30pm (Vigil – Sat.) & 11am Sun.
Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am Sun.



CELEBRATION OF MASS VIA WEBCAM

Link to live streaming from
St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

www.mcmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington



Portarlington & Emo Parish
@EmoParish



SUNDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2023

WEEKEND MASSES PORTARLINGTON

Saturday 4th November – 6.15pm
Paddy Boylan, Spa St. (3rd Anniv.)

Daniel, Eileen & John Joe Alliman, St. Mary's Terrace; Seamus Mullally, Rosecourt (15th Anniv.); Ellen Oakley, St. Mary's Terrace; Paddy & Margaret Oakley; Peter & Bridget Dunne, Cushina; Jack & Paddy Quinn; Eileen Raftery, Galway; Margaret Kelly, Galway; Norah Earley, The Boundary

Sunday 5th November – 12.15pm
Michael Rice, Derrymore (2nd Anniv.)
Con Doyle, Garryhinch, (2nd Anniv.)

Samuel Murphy, Monasterevin; Jim & Catherine Walsh; Jim Walsh & deceased members of the Walsh Family, Patsy Walsh; Kathleen Burbage, Main Street & deceased members of the Burbage Family; Mary & Jim Carroll & deceased members of the Carroll Family, Bracknagh; Kate & Pat Sherlock, Co. Monaghan, Eamonn & Kathleen Collier, Station Road; John & Stella Monagher, Main Street; Daniel & Mary Mulvihill, Droughill; Rita Quinn, Kilbride, Michael & Margaret Dempsey, Cloneyhurke

ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

Sunday 5th November - 10.30am

Michael Hall, Monasterevin; Paddy & Kathleen Costello, Bracklone Street
Patrick Deffew, Garryvacum
James & Kathleen Kearney, Ballybrittas
Tom, Jimmy & Liam McCormack, Lea Road
Mary & John Kiernan, Ballycarroll; Veronica Kiernan, England; Thomas Kiernan, Lea Road & his daughter Eithne

ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON (Weekdays)

Mon 6th Nov. Rose Fogarty, Avondale (3rd Anniv)
Tues. 7th Nov. Veronica Kiernan (O'Reilly), Yorkshire & Cushina
Thurs. 9th Nov. Brian Crossan (B/D Rem.)
Fri. 10th Nov. Joe Feehan, Church View

✠ DECEASED - R. I. P. ✠

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

Very Rev. James Gahon P.E., Clonmore (Uncle of Fr. Tom O'Byrne)
Patricia (Pat) Ivory (nee Bryan), Thurles & formerly Portarlington
James McManus, Clonslee (Father of Paul McManus)

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN O.T.

ANNIVERSARIES EMO

Saturday 4th November – 7.30pm
Johnny, Phil & Philip Rowe, Portlaoise

Sunday 5th November – 11am

ANNIVERSARIES RATH

Sunday 5th November - 9am

COMMUNION CALLS

Communion calls to the sick & house bound will take place next week as follows:



Tuesday 7th November 2023

Congress Tce; Derrymore; Crowe Lane; Station Court; Brigid's Sq; Corrig; Deerpark; Lough; Huntingdon; Lea

Wednesday 8th November 2023

Tullaghan; Bellgrove; Ballybrittas; Fisherstown; Jamestown; Coolaghy; Ballycullane; Coolbanagher; Killimy; Shaen; Knightstown; Tinnakill; Cappakeel

Thursday 9th November 2023

St. Patrick's Terrace; St. Joseph's Terrace; Avondale; Shandra; Gracefield; Bog Road; Patrick St; Church View; Patrick's Avenue; French Church St; Rosecourt; Botley Court; Droughill; Bishopswood; Clondoolusk; Droughill Lawns; Cushina

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES



Rosary & Blessing of Graves will take place
Today, Sunday, 5th November 2023

Blessing will take place as follows:-
Killenard after the 10.30am Mass

St. Michael's Cemetery, Portarlington at 3pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Michael's Church, on Tues. 10.30am–7pm

Year A

ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT MASS

Remembering our departed
relatives and friends.



Those who have died in the parish during the year, and their families, will be remembered at Mass on Fri. 17th Nov. in St. Michael's Church, Portarlington & on Sat. 18th Nov. in St. Paul's Church, Emo at 7.30pm. A family member will be invited to light a candle in their memory.



You are invited to place the names of your loved ones on our Memorial Tree.



A Bereavement Book is available in all the Churches, where you can write the names of family members who have died.



ENROLMENT CEREMONY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024



The Enrolment Ceremony for children who will make their First Holy Communion next year, will be celebrated as follows:-

St. Paul's N.S., Emo

Sat. 11th Nov. at 7.30pm in

St. Paul's Church, Emo

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath

Sun. 12th Nov. 9am in Sacred Heart

Church, Rath

Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard

Sun. 12th Nov. at 10.30am in St. John's

Church, Killenard

Presentation Primary School, Station

Road & Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road

Sat. 11th Nov. at 6.15pm in St. Michael's

Church, Portarlington

EMO ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The Emo Active Retirement group will meet on Tues. next, 7th Nov. at 8pm in the Old School.

DEAD LIST

If you wish to enrol your loved ones on the Dead List to be remembered at Masses during the year, an envelope is available in your development box or in the Church porch.

THE PLEDGE

Month of November

Many people offer spiritual support to a relation who is struggling because of alcohol or an addiction problem. Parishioners who wish to take a short-term Pioneer pledge during the month of the Holy Souls are invited to visit www.pioneers.ie/pray. Phone 018054226

A NOVEMBER PRAYER BEFORE

BEDTIME



*O my God, as the evening falls
I come to you in prayer.
I thank you for being with me in every
moment of this day, guiding me &
protecting me, keeping me from harm.*

*On this November night I bring before you in
prayer all those dear to me who have died.
(Name those for whom you wish to pray).
Remember them God in your loving
kindness.
May they now rest in your eternal peace.*

*May all of us who still miss them & grieve for
them find comfort in our belief that we will
one day see them again in the Kingdom of
Heaven.*

*I remember in my prayer this night all those
who have died & who have no one
to pray for them.*

For these & for our loved ones I pray:

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, let
perpetual light shine upon them.*

May they rest in peace.

Amen

VARIETY SHOW

Hosted by Portarlington Lions Club
Friday 17th November in Scoil Phadraig Boys
School, Canal Road. Entertainment from
8pm – 10pm. Doors open at 7.15 pm -
Admission €5 (at the door).

Various local artists and guest artists
appearing - A great night is guaranteed. Hope
to see you all there!

EMO ART &

CRAFT FAIR

The Art & Craft Fair takes place Sunday next,
12th November in Emo Community Centre.
Open for business from 11.30am to 5pm. Lots
of beautiful hand crafted items for sale.
If you would like further information, contact
Stephanie at 086-8378659.

MUSICAL - COLAISTE IOSAGAIN

**"All Shook Up" November 29th & 30th
& December 1st, 2023. 7pm Start.**

Colaiste Iosagain are thrilled to announce their
production of **"ALL SHOOK UP"**. This is a
broadway musical inspired by Shakespeare's
Twelfth Night & music from Elvis Presley.
It promises to be an incredible production with
over 100 of our talented students & 50 staff
members involved. You can show your support
by attending one of the shows. Tickets can be
purchased from the school. Phone 057
8623407. Facebook @Colaiste Iosagain
Musicals

THANK YOU

Portarlington Lourdes Committee thank
everyone who bought tickets for their upcoming
draw. Thanks to O'Loughlin's Super Valu for
allowing the committee to sell the tickets and
also to Portarlington Credit Union for
sponsoring 1st Prize (Trip to Lourdes).

ROSARY

**Rosary will be recited every evening at 4pm
in St. John's Church, Killenard. All
welcome.**

SYNOD NEWS

The first part of the Synod Assembly has
concluded in Rome. A Synod Report was
agreed on the last day of the month long
assembly. In the coming months this report will
be considered by Catholics here in Ireland and
across the world, ahead of the second part of
the Assembly in October 2024. This report & a
summary of it, prepared by Vatican News, can
be viewed on the dedicated Synod page on
Kandle.ie

LIBRARY EVENTS

Baby Book Club

Knitting Club (Fri. 10.30am – 12.30pm)

Sensory Toy Resource Collection

Laois Libraries Online Book Club

For details on any of the above activities in
Portarlington Library, please contact the
following or call in to the Library.

Phone 057 8643751 or Email
portarlingtonlibrary@laoiscoco.ie

SECOND BOOK OF WRITINGS OF THE LATE

FR. JOHN CUMMINS

Following the great success of the first book,
the family of Fr. John Cummins have issued a
second publication in his memory. This new
book, also name "My Life in Your Hands",
contains more sermons of Fr. John's. €15
each. Will be available from the Parish Office.

VIOLIN LESSONS

Violin lessons commencing weekly, individual
and ensemble classes for all ages from 3 years
to adult. Studio based in Portarlington. Further
information contact Irene Rammos on
089 9818065 or Email
iramos.violinstudio@gmail.com

FREE SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Commencing on the 8th November from
6.30 – 8.30pm in the Further Education &
Training Centre, Bracklone Street.

To register your interest :-

<https://forms.wf-office.com/e/rRMitT8p3Z>

O'DEMPSEY'S G.F.C. AGM

Fri 17th Nov. at the Clubhouse. Club members,
parents, supporters & potential new members
are invited & encouraged to attend. For
Nomination & Motion forms, contact our
Secretary, Barry Finlay by text on 087-7707511
or email secretary.odempseys.laois@gaa.ie

KILLENARD CHORAL & DRAMATIC SOCIETY

REUNION

The Thatch, Killenard – Thurs. 9th November
from 6pm – 8.30pm. Light refreshments on the
night. Please come along & if you have photos
or memorabilia, please bring them with you.

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

The Catholic Communications Office edits &
publishes a five-stoory weekly ezine Sharing
the Good News. The ezine is an accessible
news report on the work of bishops' subscribe
to this resource by visiting
<https://catholicnews.ie/newsletter/>

SUPPORT FOR THE PARISH

If you wish to make a donation to
Portarlington / Emo Parishes, please see
bank details below, where you can
transfer directly to the Parish Accounts.



PORTARLINGTON PARISH

B.O.I. Portarlington BOFIE2D
Portarlington Parish No. 1 Account
IBAN - IE28 BOFI 9018 6154 5717 14
Portarlington Parish Clergy Fund A/C
IBAN: IE59 BOFI 9018 6196 5850 57

EMO PARISH

B.O.I., Mountmellick BOFIE2D
Emo Church No. 1 Account
IBAN - IE16 BOFI 9018 1051 4302 54
Emo Parish Clergy Fund Account
IBAN: IE34 BOFI 9018 1022 2378 77

EMO - RATH PARISH LOTTO

Next draw will take place on Mon. 6th
November with a Jackpot of €4,600.



GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO

31st Oct. 2023 – Week 44
Numbers 21, 30, 2, 12
€50 EACH TO John Murray; Pat Hyland;
Deirdre Doyle; Bernard O'Neill; Aisling
Curley. Promoters prize: Marian Bryan.
Next weeks jackpot €8,600

ANNUAL PRAYER SERVICE!

**Laois County Council – Notice to all
staff, former staff, members and
their families.**

You are invited to attend the annual prayer
service in memory of deceased staff and
members of Laois County Council which
will be held on Tues. 7th Nov. at 6pm in the
Council Chamber, County Hall, Portlaoise.
Light refreshments will be served. People
of all faiths welcome to attend to remember
colleagues and friends.

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB,

CLONEYHURKE - R32 CY89

Social Dancing

Sat. 18th November dancing to
Lawrence Campion. Further info. later.

Keep Fit Classes:

Classes continue every Wednesday night
from 7-8pm under the guidance of Eimear
Mathews. €5 per class.

Dancing Lessons:

Every Monday night with Dolores Casey
7.45-9.15pm. €8 per lesson.

PORTARLINGTON WOMEN'S SHED

This group meet at Portarlington
Community Centre every Tuesday from
12 Noon to 2pm & on Thursday from
10.30am – 12.30pm. Drop in for a cuppa,
a chat and lots of activities and outings.

The Women's Shed are holding a
Christmas Market on Sat. 9th Dec. from
11am to 3pm. To book a table, E-mail
portarlingtonwomensshed@gmail.com or
phone 087 4748068. A visit to Santa on
the day also. Proceeds from refreshments
in aid of the Cuisle Centre, Laois.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP

Meet every Thurs. Afternoon at 1.45pm at
the Portarlington Community Centre.
Plenty of activities & outings.