

PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO

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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 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
<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington>



Portarlington & Emo Parish
@EmoParish

Sunday 7th August 2022

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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WEEKEND ANNIVERSARY PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 6th August – 6.15pm
Paul Fallon, Arlington Est. (M.M.)
Levi Woodzinski, Crann Nua (1st Anniv.)
Midge Knight, Assumpta Tce. (3rd Anniv.)
Bill Brady, Droughill; Carmel Tynan, Patrick's Avenue; Marcella & Michael Collins, Station Road; Paddy Cummins, Gracefield; Michael Murphy Jnr., Annamoe; Michael & Esther Murphy, Annamoe; Deceased members of the Murphy Family; Seamus Maher, Sandy Lane (27th Anniv.)
Sun. 7th August - 12.15pm
Seamus (Shem) Colgan, Clondoolusk (1st Anniv.) James & Philomena Colgan; Ned Colgan;
Deceased members of the Colgan Family; Pat & Mary Fitzgerald, Cushina (12th Anniv.);
Saturday 13th August – 6.15pm
John Kennedy, Church View (M.M.)
Peter Ryan, Ballymorris Road (3rd Anniv.)
Ann Murphy, St. Brigid's Square; Ann Mullen, Bracklone St; Charlie Raleigh, Bracklone St; Patsy & Bridie Lawlor, Marian Hill; Dec. members of the Keating Family, Emo; Jer & Matthew Kelly, Cam; Andy & Joe Donagher, Derrylea; Catherine & George McKay, The Square
Sunday 14th August – 12.15pm
Paddy Burbage, Main Street & deceased members of the Burbage Family

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARY PORTARLINGTON 10am

Mon. 8th August 10am
Frank Saunders, Wilton Lawns
J.J. Bannon, Lea (B/Day Rem.)
Tues. 9th August 10am
Michael & Brigid Wall, their son, Michael Wall Jnr. & Michael's daughter Michelle
Wed. 10th August 10am
Michael 'Chips' Dunne, Deerpark
Thurs. 11th August 10am

Fri. 12th August 10am

ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

Sun. 7th August – 10.30am
Thomas McHale Snr., Killenard
Bro. Maurice Murphy, Closeland
Sun. 14th August – 10.30am
James (Jimmy) O'Leary, Ballintogher (M.M.)

ANNIVERSARIES EMO

Sat. 6th August – 7.30pm
Sean Crowley, Cappakeel
Sun. 7th August – 11am
Ann Maher, Killimy Road
Ellen & Brendan Deering, Morette
Sat. 13th August – 7.30pm
Anthony (Nano) Dunne, Morette (10th Anniv.)
Sun. 14th August – 11am




ANNIVERSARIES RATH

Sun. 7th August – 9am
Tom, Lucy & Frances Behan, Bellgrove
Rita Boland, Courtwood
Fr. John Boland, Jamestown
Sun. 14th August – 9am
Elizabeth Duffy, Ballyadden (M.M.)

DECEASED

Your prayers are requested for the following who died during the week:-
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Mary Olive Conroy (Nee O'Sullivan), Mountmellick & Killenard
Maureen Morris (nee Rooney), Dublin

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism

Portarlington Parish
Diondre Jason Fox, Spa Street
Sadhbh Wendy Dobson, Lea Road
Eabha Eileen Flynn, St. Brigid's Square
Matilda Annie O'Connor, Closeland


SYNOD NEWS

The people of the diocese can read our local synthesis on www.kandle.ie and watch an iCatholic Special on it on www.iCatholic.ie.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will be closed from Monday 9th August for the week. The office will re-open Monday 16th August. This is due to the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

SUMMER YOUTH 2000 FESTIVAL


The Youth 2000 Summer Festival is a four day Catholic event run by young people for young people from all across Ireland. Come and listen to some amazing speakers giving workshops on your favourite topics, meet other young Catholics on fire with the faith or simply be refreshed and inspired. For further information visit youth2000.ie or search our socials 'Youth 2000 Ireland' 11th – 14th August 2022 at Clongowes Wood College.

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Monday 8th August
St. Dominic (Founder of the Dominicans)
Tuesday 9th August – St. Teresa
Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)



Edith managed to write little notes that were smuggled out to her Carmelite community from Auschwitz concentration camp. One note read; 'A "science of the Cross" can be gained only if one is made to feel the Cross in the depths of one's being.' Making the Sign of the Cross shows us that our lives are forever guided by the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.


Wednesday 10th August

St. Lawrence (One of the 7 deacons of the Roman Church)

Thursday 11th August - St. Clare

Clare is often portrayed in art as holding a monstrance with the Eucharist in defence of an attack by Saracen mercenaries on her convent community. Clare witnessed to holiness and humanity, wisdom and welcome to all. She was canonized two years after her death.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Monday 15th August 2022 is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses as follows:-
Portarlington 10am & 7.30pm
Killenard 10.30am
Rath 9am / Emo 7.30pm


2022 EMIGRANT NEWSLETTER

Those intending to submit articles / stories for inclusion in this year's edition of the Emigrant Newsletter are asked to send them in to the Parish Office. A special welcome for old group photographs (must include names). Closing date for articles / photographs 1st August 2022. E-mail portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net



USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Used postage stamps wanted for Foreign Missions. Please leave in through the letter box of The Nook Shop, Patrick Street

DELANY ARCHIVE

The Delany Archive will hold an online lecture on the topic of education during the episcopate of Dr. James Doyle, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin (1819-1834). This lecture is part of Heritage week & will take place on Thurs. 18th August between 7 and 8.30pm. Further info:-
<https://www.heritageweek.ie/event-listing/bishop-james-doyle-and-education-2>

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB

Gracefield GAA club is hosting a launch night for a new venture, 'Healthy Clubs', with the aim of involving the club more within the community. Examples of this would be: Visiting the elderly, a walking track, having a meeting place at the club for elderly and young to chat among themselves. The launch night will take place on Thursday next, 11th August and will commence at 6.30pm. A presentation will be given to the Red cross followed by a talk by Frank Diamond, who recently climbed Kilemanjaro. For further information phone 087-6535167. Joe McAteer Gracefield GAA healthy Clubs PRO.

PORTARLINGTON LEISURE CENTRE


Need to cool down after the glorious weather, look no further. Free public swim from 2pm to 2.45pm. Turn up – No need to book, just arrive.

PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY EVENTS

Mad Professor Science Show
Wed. 17th August from 11.30am – 12.30pm.
Free event but booking essential.
Phone 057 8643751 or Email portarlingtonlibrary@laoisccoco.ie

Talk on Ronnie Matthews Archive Collection
Thurs. 18th August from 7-8pm. Free Event but booking advised. Phone 057 8643751 or Email portarlingtonlibrary@laoisccoco.ie

Laois Volunteer Centre Pop-up Stand
Wed. 17th August from 10am – 1pm. Call in to find out more about volunteering opportunities in the not-for-profit sector.

Adult Book Club

This month we are reading 'The Island of Lost Trees' by Elif Shafak, next meeting is on Tues. 30th August at 11am. New members welcome.

Knitting Group

Every Friday the Knitting Group meet from 10.30am – 12.30pm. Pop in for a chat and some crafting. New members always welcome

QUOTE

'The day will come, when after harnessing space, the winds, the tides and gravitation, we shall harness for God the energies of love. And on that day, for the second time in the history of the world, we shall have discovered fire'
Pierre Teilard de Chardin SJ

CEMETERY MASS EMO PARISH

Emo Old Cemetery
Sat. 13th August 7.30pm



CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to the Laos Ladies Football Team who won the All Ireland Intermediate Final against Wexford on Sunday last.

ALONE

Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/>
For more information contact volunteer@alone.ie or phone 086 1085965.

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO 2.8.2022

Numbers 28, 18, 03, 14 – No Jackpot winner. €50 to each of the following: Mary Dooley / Patricia Mulligan / Mary Kelly / Charlie Evans / Liz Hopkins. Promoter Eileen Mulligan
Next week's Jackpot €3,600

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. Michael's Church, Portarlington after 10am Mass Tuesday until 7pm.

EMO PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Marian Pilgrimages - Dates: 5th – 9th Sept. 2022 (4 nights) €645 pps. Single room supplement €140. Full board in 4* Hotel Astrid. Includes return direct flights Dublin / Tarbes & coach transfers. Spiritual Director: Fr. Joe O'Neill. Travelling with Marian Pilgrimages. For further details contact Tony Byrne 086 1225833.

HERITAGE WEEK

A guide to all the free, fun, family-friendly events taking place in Laois for Heritage Week has been launched. Heritage week takes place from 13th – 21st August. The theme for Heritage Week this year is "Biodiversity and Sustainability". Further info. available from www.laois.ie/heritageweek.

WANTED

Seeking a friendly and reliable person to collect one child daily at 2.30pm Monday to Thursday and return to children's home. 12 hours per week. Must have a full clean driving licence. Contact 087 6655614.

L.O.E.T.B. – BRACKLONE STREET

Autumn 2022 training programme in social & vocational integration (Social care). Commencing this Sept. QQI Level 6 Minor award. Course free. Contact 057 8623161 or Log on to www.portarlingtonfetc.ie

CALLING ALL TENNIS CLUBS & PLAYERS

In aid of #fightforjohnnysgirls
24 hour Tennis-A-Thon. From 10am Sat. 27th August. Family day – All welcome. Food & music all day at Portarlington Tennis Club. Contact Tadhg Matthews on 089 4882345.

PRAYERFUL MEDITATION DAY

17th September 10am to 2pm.
Come and enjoy a day of peace, reflection & prayer. Facilitator Caroline Murray.
Venue: Portlaoise Parish Centre.
Cost €20. Phone to book 087 2673134 or Email caroline.murray32@gmail.com

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

ACCORD – COUNSELLING

Accord, Portlaoise are open for Relationship Counselling at the Parish Centre, Portlaoise. Counselling is completely confidential and all Counsellors are fully trained. For further information contact Mary on 086 4149034 or Email accordportlaoise@gmail.com

PORTARLINGTON UNITY & CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The Committee would be grateful to anyone who could volunteer a couple of hours to clean and tidy some unattended grave plots. If interested please phone any Committee member or the Parish Office.

HOUSING & HOMELESS CHARITY

The annual Peter McVerry Trust Wexford Cycle 2022 will take place on Sat. 17th September. The cycle raises vital funds for the housing and homeless charity founded by Fr Peter McVerry. The event is open to all abilities and is a great day out. To find out more visit:- www.pmvtrust.ie/cycle or call 01 823 0776.

EVENTS TAKING PLACE AT SOLAS Information event for farmers & land-owners in the area:

Together Bloom HQ and The CUBE aim to provide a one-stop-shop service facility for local businesses in the food Agri industry to access support in business development, network development, access to agri-tech, and the most up-to-date information on innovation and sustainable innovation development in the facilities of BloomHQ. Further info. contact Regina on 089-4135817

How to create & maintain a 'Living Wall'

FREE Workshop – 14th August. This workshop is hosted by SOLAS and in conjunction with Niall from Greenscene Interior Plant Displays & Landscaping www.ecogardenshop.ie events@thegardenshop.ie

Clothes Swap - Womens & Mens clothes only

Venue: Solas Eco Garden Centre. 7th August from 11am – 3pm. You can drop 10 items prior to the event. You will receive a token for each item and you can swap that token at the event.