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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 7TH OCTOBER, 2018

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN O.T.

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 8th Oct. 10am Mary (Moll) Leavy, Assumpta Terrace
Tues. 9th Oct. 10am ---

Wed. 10th Oct. 10am ---

Thurs. 11th Oct. 10am Michael (Mikie) Mangan & dec. members of the Mangan Family Fri. 12th Oct. 10am J.J. Galvin & dec. members of the Galvin Family, Cloneyhurke

Saturday 6th October – 6.15pm

Paddy Murphy, St. Michael's Park (M.M.) Lisa Marie Bracken, Arlington Est. (5th Anniv.) Willie Slattery, St. Brigid's Sq. (10th Anniv.) David Knight, Seskin; Elizabeth Moore, St. Patrick's Tce. & her Son Eddie Moore, Manchester; John Knight Jnr., St. Joseph's Tce.; Catherine Gallagher (nee Ward); William & Julia Costello, St. Patrick's Tce.

Sunday 7th October - 12.15pm

Breeda Kelly, Avondale; John Cummins, St. Brigid's Sq. & dec. members of the Dempsey Family:

<u>Saturday 13th October – 6.15pm</u> Patty Dempsey (1st Anniv.) & Patsy Dempsey (2nd Anniv.), Garryhinch; Tommy & Katie Delaney, Spa St; Catherine & Joseph Crofton, Bracklone St; Veronica Delaney, Bracklone St.; Ina Keenan, Gracelfield:

Sunday 14th October - 12.15pm

Larry McCann, Bishopswood; Marie O'Brien, The Hawthorn, Patrick St; James Murphy, Assumpta Tce. Mai Byrne, Cloneyhurke (15th Anniv.); Olive Dunne, Cloneyhurke (20th Anniv.) & dec. members of the Dunne Family

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 7th October - 10.30am

Patrick Lawlor, Ballycarroll Pat & Annie Monagher, Lea Betty Moore, Springfield, Killenard, Johnny, Margaret & Mary Behan, Jack Regan, Tierhogar, Eileen & James Keogh, Huntington

Sunday 14th October - 10.30am

Bernard Tynan, Rathmiles David Fitzmaurice Snr., Killenard

₩ DECEASED ₩

Your prayers are requested for the following who died during the week:-

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Beryl O'Keeffe, Patrick's Avenue Paul Casey, Derrymore Michael Langford, Emo & Dublin

X

ANNIVERSARIES -EMO

<u>Saturday 6th October – 7.30pm</u> Ned & Beth Bailey, Cappakeel & deceased members of the Bailey Family, deceased members of the Fitzpatrick & Flynn families, Martin Gleeson & Christopher Gleeson, Morette, Una Mulhall, Cappakeel

Sunday 7th October – 11am

George Hyland, Lime Tree & London

Saturday 13th October - 7.30pm

John & Bridget Leavy, St. Michael's Park, Esther, Thomas & Jimmy Conroy, Deceased members of the Conroy family, Cappakeel,

Sunday 14th October - 11am James Dempsey, Tinnakill

Sunday 7th October - 9am

Patricia Green, Courtwood (9th Anniv.) Anne & Liam Tynan, Copper Beech, Jamestown; Patrick Brennan, Jamestown

DAY FOR LIFE Sunday 7th October 2018



Today, Sun. 7th Oct. is Day for Life, celebrated yearly by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. We encourage you to deepen your understanding of Catholic Social Teaching on this important question by exploring the material we have made available on

www.chooselife2018.ie/Day4Life/ Leaflets available at Church Porches

MISSION MONTH TOBER 2018

Ocober is Mission Month! The most important day of this month is World Mission Sunday, which takes place on the 21st. This is the one Sunday of the year that Pope Francis asks you to pray a little stronger and dig a little deeper so that faith, hope and love can flourish. Contributions given on World Mission Sunday will support the fearless and selfless work of our missionaries, who live shoulder-toshoulder with people in communities that are struggling and often war-torn. Mission Month and Mission Sunday is a time for you to fully appreciate the dedication of these missionaries who are there before, during and after any crisis.

LECTORS (READERS)

Sat. 13th / Sun. 14th October

Portarlington: Sat. 6.15pm Sarah Dunne / Sun. 9am John Prior / 12.15pm Kieran Dunne

Killenard: Sun. 10.30am Clare Kirrane

Emo: Sat. 7.30pm Kieran McEvoy / Sun. 11am Ann Deering

Rath: 9am Sinead Boland

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Sat. 13th / Sun. 14th October

Portarlington Team A Killenard Team D

BAPTISMS

We welcome the following into the Christian Community

PORTARLINGTON PARISH

Fiadh Michelle Nolan, St. Michael's Park Daniel Joseph Whelan, Derrymore Layla Rose Considine, Derrymore Liam Michael Kiernan-O'Reilly, NaCluainte

IRISH GUIDE DOGS

Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the recent Church Gate Collection for the Irish Guide Dogs. Amount collected €830.63. Sincere thanks also to the collectors who helped out on the day.

CHURCH COLLECTORS - OCT. 2018

St. Paul's Church, Emo

Sat. 7.30pm John Joe O'Rourke & Aidan Crowley / Sun.11am Tom Mulhall & Kieran McEvoy

Sacred Heart Church, Rath 9am Liam Flynn & Pat Behan

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT SUN. 7TH OCT. 2018

Emo 3-6pm Tom Mulhall / Edel Scully Rath 2.30-5pm ---

'WHISPERINGS OF MY SOUL'

Fr. Sean Hyland launches his book, 'Whisperings of My Soul', with the help of Bishop Denis Nulty on Fri. 30th Nov. at 8pm in the GAA Centre, McCann Park. Fr. Sean, of the parish of Rhode & Clonbullogue, invites everyone to this launch and d appreciates any support with the launch and promotion of his book. The book tells the story of his many heavenly blessings and extraordinary consolations of faith which ultimately led to his ordination in 2014. If you have any suggestions or can offer support in spreading the message, contact Fr. Sean at email hylandjohnliz@yahoo.ie or Ph: 087-9486769.

PORTARLINGTON CREDIT UNION

International Credit Union Day 18th Oct.
On Thurs. 18th Oct. Irish Credit Unions will join Credit Unions in other communities around the world to celebrate International Credit Union Day. Call down Thurs. 18th from 10.30am to help celebrate with us. Refreshments served / Great prizes to give away. We are also holding our Cash Draw where someone will win the top prize

of €10,000. Looking forward to seeing you. PORTARLINGTON LOURDES RE-UNION

Celebrate a gathering Sat. 13th October in the Hawthorn Lounge, Patrick St. Refreshments served / Music by JL Sound. All welcome.

PORTARLINGTON LIONS CLUB Annual Charity Hunt Chase 2018 Sun. 7th October (Today)



The Annual Charity Hunt takes place today, Sun. 7th Oct. commencing at 2pm from the Railway Bar. Everyone is welcome to this wonderful spectacle. This event concludes with a fundraising Auction & Raffle which also takes place in the Railway Bar. We would be delighted to see you around the route supporting the horses and riders for the 2 hour run before the Auction. Please note that this chase is across fields with no dogs and no animals are hunted!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT PARENTS FIRST

Would you be interested in volunteering with Parents First for 1-2 hours each week? We are looking for parents or grandparents to pass on their valuable knowledge and experience in bringing up children. Please phone Dolores or Rhona on 057-9322996 or 086-1959221.

CONCERT

STS. PETER & PAUL'S CHURCH MONASTEREVIN

Fri. 12th Oct. Finbar Wright & The Gospel Choir are in concert in Sts. Peter & Paul's Church, Monasterevin. Tickets on sale now €25 from the Parish Office, Monasterevin (045) 525346 or Earley's Fashion Shop (045) 525395.

CHILDMINDER WANTED

Mind two Children in the Emo area in the children's own home. Monday – Friday. Contact 086-8691663.

TABLE QUIZ - P.C.D.A.

A Table Quiz will take place on Fri. 9th Nov. in the Hawthorn Bar commencing 8.30pm. Table of 4- €40. Contact Nikki in the PCDA/ Love Port office on 085-8568801 if you would like to take a table. All proceeds go to the ongoing Projects by the Portarlington Community Development Assoc. (PCDA), the biggest being the Derryounce Walks and Lakes.

DERRYOUNCE

Portarlington Community Development Assoc. thank Michael McEvoy & the staff of Portarlington Credit Union for their kindness to our committee. Port. CU have committed to sponsoring the PCDA €1,000 per annum for 5 years. Their sponsorship will assist with annual Insurance costs & upkeep of this local amenity at Derryounce Lakes & walkways. Yearly insurance for Derryounce approx. €3,500.

LITURGICAL PLAY

"Severino" produced by Fr. Tommy O'Reilly.
Fri. 12th Oct. at 8pm & Sun. 14th Oct. at 7pm in St. Manman's Church, Clonaslee.
Adm: €10 / OAP & Students €5.

FLU VACCINATION CLINIC

Flu Vaccination Clinic at Medi -Centre, Portarlington Tuesday next, 9th Oct. from 2pm - 3pm. No appointment necessary.



FRIENDS TOGETHER SOCIAL CLUB

The Club meet every Tuesday & Friday in the Scouts Den from 2.30-5pm. All are welcome to call in for a free cuppa, light refreshments & a chat. Activities include board games, table quiz, art & craft classes. Various outings and breakaway's take place during the year. Lots of successful fundraising - Recently presented a cheque for €627 to 'The Cuisle Centre' in Portlaoise. All prizes for the raffles donated by club members. Contact 087 2788472 for further information.

SOCIAL DANCE

Social Dance in Garryhinch Golf Club,
Portarlington on Fri. 2nd Nov. at 9pm. Music by
John & Ava Tobin & award winning country
singer Olivia Douglas from Ferbane. Proceeds
in aid of Defibrillator for Cloneyhurke area &
the Irish Heart Foundation. Admission €10

SUAIMHNEAS, CAPPAKEEL, EMO

Programme of events for October 2018

Mindfulness Meditation Practice
Every Thurs. 7.30-8.30pm. Cost €5.

Introduction to Mindfulness / Meditation
Tues. 23rd Oct. 7.30-9.30pm. Cost €10

Zero Waste Community Gathering
Mon. 5th Nov. 7.30-8.30pm. Cost €5

Coming soon – Awakening to who we are –
Transform the person to transform the planet.
Further details later.

Booking essential for all workshops.
Call Mai or Anne on 057-8626541.

MOUNT ST ANNE'S RETREAT CENTRE, KILLENARD, PORTARLINGTON Week of Guided Prayer

From Sun. 21st Oct. – Sat. 27th Oct. 30 mins. of prayer each day in your own home and meet for 30 minutes each day with your Prayer Guide in Mount St. Anne's at a time to suit you. No charge – Donations welcome. Bookings / Enquiries to: Catherine on 057-8626153 or secretary@mountstannes.com

PORTARLINGTON LEISURE CENTRE

Taking bookings for our Halloween activities starting the 30th October. New course of Adult swimming lessons and parent and baby classes starting the week of the 15th October. Limited places so don't delay pop into reception or call 057-8645800.

CARING COMPANION CAREGIVER

Support for you or a family member in their own home / Light Housework / House sitting / Plant watering /Shopping / Errands / Taking care of pets in their own home. Qualified QQ1 level 5 Carer. Further info. call 085 1564105 or email unaweldon@gmail.com

APPRECIATION NIGHT

"Terry Lawlor Appreciation Night"

will take place on Sat. 6th October in The Anvil Inn, Portarlington from 9pm. DJ Peter McEvoy in the Bar / Live music with the Fanzines in the Forge / BBQ / Raffle & Spot Prizes. €5 entry including BBQ.

LAOIS ALZHEIMERS SOCIETY

Laois Alzheimer's Society Resource Centre at 47 Main Street Portlaoise / Mon. – Fri. 9-5pm. Social Club meet on 11th Oct. 2.30-4.30pm in the Resource Centre, Portlaoise

for people with Dementia and their carers. This is a very relaxed informal event where activities, fun and chat can be shared over a cup of tea.

Family Carers Support Group Wed. 17th Oct. 7.30pm-9pm in Resource Centre.

For any information on dementia contact Ann Munnelly on 057 866 3398/086 8372168 Home-care Coordinator 47 Main Street, Portlaoise, Co Laois R32 VRX8 Email laois.branch@alzheimer.ie

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES

Congratulations

To C.L.C.G. Courtwood on winning the Laois Intermediate final last weekend. **Best wishes**

To O'Dempsey's in the Laois Senior Final next Sunday & to Portarlington Minor Football Team in the Laois Minor Final next Sunday.

ST. BRIGID'S ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP GARRYHINCH / CLONEYHURKE

Resumes on Tues. 16th Oct. with BINGO at 7.30pm. 10-PIN-BOWLING will take place on Tues. 23rd Oct. at 8pm. BOOK CLUB on Wed. 7th Nov. at 8pm. New members welcome to all of the above.

CREATIVE CRAFTS

Creative Crafts - Join us for a fun evening at the Ladies Club in the Fisherman's Mon. 8th Oct. for fun & a chat. All Welcome

KILLENARD ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The A.G.M. of the above club will take place on Tuesday 9th. Oct. at 2-30pm in Killenard Community Centre. All welcome.

VACANCY PART-TIME SECRETARY

St. Patrick's BNS, Portarlington are looking for a part-time secretary to work from 8.30am-10.30am, Mon. to Fri. Proficiency in ICT and Microsoft Office required. Experience of accounting and payroll software favourable. Apply to: Pat Galvin, St. Patrick's BNS, Patrick St., Co. Offaly.

PORTARLINGTON CHRISTMAS TREE Annual Door to Door Collections

The annual door to door collection in aid of Portarlington Christmas Tree is taking place over the next few weeks. All contributions

gratefully appreciated. NATIONAL CONCERT HALL

Coach to the National Concert Hall for musical "Carousel" on Sat. 17th Nov. Leaving the Gandon Inn at 10am sharp. Price €85 includes, tea, sandwiches, tickets for musical, bus and evening meal.

Contact Margo Coogan on 086-8440875.

Seats limited / Non-refundable

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO 1st October, 2018

Numbers 1, 3, 5, 14 – No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following:-Mgt. McGuirk C/o Emo Shop / Mary O'Halloran, Ballybrittas / Kim Hanniffy C/o Emo Shop / Michael Shaughnessy C/o Mick / Rosaleen Kirwan C/o R.K.

Next week's Jackpot €18,600 CAKE SALE

St Brigid's social club Cloneyhurke are holding a cake sale and fun Bingo on Sunday 14th October in the Community hall at 2.30pm. All proceeds go towards the Senior Citizens Party. We would be grateful of any baking donations on the day.

ASPIRE TRAINING

Aspire Training will be delivering a **Special Needs Assistant QQI Level 5 (5N1786) and QQI Level 6 (6N1957)** course in October in Tullamore & Portlaoise. Funding available if eligible. For further details Ph: 044 9348936

CHILDMINDER REQUIRED

Childminder required in Emo area to look after 3 children (Mon. to Wed.) Own car essential (Full clean driving licence). References required. Contact 086 1090475.

FREE EYE TEST

Free eye test at McGreals Pharmacy, Kilnacourt every Wednesday. Buy one pair spectacles get second one free. (Under PRSI / Medical Card Scheme)