



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 8th October, 2017 - 27th Sun. in O.T. Year A

ANNIVERSARIES - PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 9th Oct. 10am JJ Galvin, Cloneyhurke & deceased members of the Galvin Family
Tues. 10th Oct. 10am ---
Wed. 11th Oct. 10am ---
Thurs. 12th Oct. 10am John Joe Gorman
Fri. 13th Oct. 10am ---



Saturday 7th October – 6.15pm

John Gannon, Droughill (M.M.) & Eileen Gannon, Droughill; Willie Slattery, St. Brigid's Sq. (9th Anniv.); John Knight (Jnr.), St. Joseph's Tce. (14th Anniv.); David Knight, Seskin; Dec. members of the Shortall Family, Droughill; Elizabeth Moore, St. Patrick Tce, (20th Anniv.) & Son, Eddie Moore, Manchester (3rd Anniv.)

Sunday 8th October – 12.15pm

Thomas McGuinness, (1st Anniv)
Stephen McGuinness, Droughill,
George & Bridie Quinn; Loughlin & Kitty Sweeney, St. Michael's Park; Michael & Rose Roycroft, St. Michael's Park; Marie (Sally) O'Brien, Hawthorn Bar; James Murphy, Assumpta Tce. (37th Anniv.); Mary & Joseph O'Reilly, Cushina

Saturday 14th October – 6.15pm

Ina Keenan, Gracefield; Finbarr Fitzpatrick, Barrowbank; Deceased members of the Fitzpatrick Family

Sunday 15th October – 12.15pm

Dolores Keogh, St. Michael's Park (M.M.); Larry McCann, Bishopswood; Mai Byrne, Cloneyhurke; Olive Dunne, Cloneyhurke (19th Anniv.) & deceased members of the Dunne Family, Cloneyhurke, Mollie Coogan, Corrig, (24th Anniv)

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sunday 8th October – 10.30am

Bernard Tynan, Rathmiles
Johnny, Margaret & Mary Behan, Tierhogar
Jack Regan, Tierhogar; Eileen & James Keogh, Huntington

Sunday 15th October – 10.30am

Breda Fitzpatrick; Mark & Margaret Fitzpatrick, Tierhogar; John & Christine Whelehan; Michael Whelehan, Lea, David Fitzmaurice, (Jnr.) Killenard

DECEASED

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



Paddy Finnegan, Knockalough, Thurles

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Saturday 7th October – 7.30pm

Johnny Rowe, Ballybrittas
Martin Gleeson, Morette
Christopher Gleeson, Morette, Una Mulhall, Cappakeel

Sunday 8th October – 11am

George Hyland, Limetree & formerly London

Saturday 14th October – 7.30pm

Victor Brydone, New Inn Cross (M.M.)

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sunday 8th October – 9am

Patricia Greene, Courtwood (8th Anniv.)
Anne & Liam Tynan, Copper Beech, Jamestown
Patrick Brennan, Jamestown

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community through Baptism:-

Samantha Marie Maughan, Canal Road
Lyle Arif Michael Tuccaroglu, St. Joseph's Tec. & Cyprus

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Rosary & Blessing of the Graves will take place on Sun. 5th November. Blessing will take place in Killenard after the 10.30am Mass & St. Michael's Cemetery, Portarlington at 3pm.

SCÓR NA NÓG - COURWOOD G.A.A.

Scór na nÓg season begins with the U.17 competition. As it's the 2018 competition, anyone born on or after 1st January 2001 is eligible to take part. If interested, contact the club's Cultural & Irish Officer, Siobhan Byron McEvoy (087 2726245). She would love to hear from you if you're interested in acting, singing, Irish dancing, recitation or maybe you'd like to take part in our quiz team. We don't have a definite date for the county final as yet but when we do we'll let everyone know.

BEREAVEMENT INFORMATION EVENING

Anam Cara the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wed. 18th Oct. at 7:30pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP info@anamcara.ie before Tues. 17th Oct. or call the Information Line 085 2888 888.

RATH LADIES CLUB

Rath Ladies Club are having Reflexology on Monday the 9th September at 8.30 to 10 in the Fisherman's Pub. New members always welcome.

LECTORS

NEXT WEEKEND 14th & 15th Oct.

PORTARLINGTON: Sat. 6.15pm Sara Dunne / Sun. 9am Eileen Dunne / 12.15pm Kieran Dunne
KILLENARD Sun. 10.30am John O'Byrne
EMO: Sat. 7.30pm Kieran McEvoy Sun. 11am Stephanie Lewis
RATH: Sun. 9am Michelle Carroll

EUCHRISTIC MINISTERS

NEXT WEEKEND 14th & 15th Oct.

PORTARLINGTON TEAM A
KILLENARD: TEAM E

MISSION MONTH OF OCTOBER 2017



Please remember that in two weeks' time the Holy Father, Pope Francis, invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection, the Mission Sunday collection. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission and is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland. All of the Mission Sunday materials are available on World Missions Ireland's website – www.wmi.ie *****

On behalf of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the Mission Sunday Collection in 2016 amounted to €1,606,044.71. Our Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin contributed €53,213.48.

ARTHUR MC CLUSKEY MEMORIAL

WALK

You are invited to take part in the Annual Charity Walk around Emo Court commencing at 3pm on Sun. 15th October from the Old National School, Emo. Refreshments afterwards in the Old Emo N.S. Tony Byrne, organiser of the walk, can be contacted on 086-1225833. You can honor Arthur's memory by continuing to support the projects he initiated in Bosnia Herzegovina. Many thanks for your support in previous years.

EMO/RATH PARISH LOTTO 2.10.2017

Numbers: 4, 7, 20, 23 – No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following Caroline Treacy C/o Emo Shop; Peter Downey C/o Pat Gorman; Peggy Ward C/o Vera; Cólín Duffy C/o Peadar Duffy; Shauna Dooley C/o Parish Office.

Next Jackpot €9,800

GROW

Community Mental Health Support

Group meets every Thurs. at 7.30pm in the Jobs Club, Oriel House, Main St. Contact Michelle 086 418 3805 - www.grow.ie

TIR NA NOG PRESCHOOL

Tir Na Nog Preschool, Ballymorris Road, Portarlinton currently have places available on the CCS and ECCE Government schemes. These schemes cater for children from 2 years 6 months to school going age. We have a qualified Inclusion Officer, therefore we can provide childcare for all children including those with additional needs. For further information contact Bernie on 086-8630039.

PORTARLINGTON TEXT ALERT

Port text alert is now live and covers Portarlinton and the surrounding areas including Killenard. The Text Alert Committee are hosting two drop-in events on 11th October from 5pm to 8pm in the Community Centre and on the 14th October from 2pm to 3.30pm in the Coffee Shop in Centre, Main Street where you can come to meet us, find out more information and sign up to receive Alerts via text message.



REVISION SESSIONS JUNIOR & LEAVING CERTIFICATE

Love Port Education committee are running revision sessions for Junior and Leaving Cert Mathematics and Irish from the 9th October and Leaving Cert Biology Higher revision sessions from 7th November. Both Higher and Ordinary levels are being catered for. Cost per session is still a very reasonable - €20 for ninety minutes. Tutors are experienced and supportive. Need more info or wish to book a place. Contact: education@portarlinton.ie

CONNECTING FOR LIFE

Suicide Prevention Action Plan

Laos PPN and the HSE invite you to an Information session & consultation regarding the 'Connecting for Life' Suicide Prevention Action Plan for Laos on Tues. 10th Oct at 8pm in The Maldron Hotel, Abbeyleix Road, Portlaoise. The evening will consist of a presentation about the 'Connecting for Life' Suicide Prevention Action Plan for Laos. Information will also be available regarding the mental health services that are provided by the HSE and also training in relation to these services. This promises to be a very informative evening and is open to all. For further details please contact Pamela Tynan, Laos PPN on 057 8665661.



LAOS CONNECTS

Laos Connects Mental Health Week runs from Sat. 7th - Sat. 14th Oct. Portarlinton area events as follows: Tues. 10th Oct. Portarlinton 5K Walk - Assemble at Oriel House, Main Street at 6.45pm. At 7.30pm "Substance Misuse & Mental Health" at Portarlinton Social Services for parents, young people & families. Contact Brian O'Sullivan 086 4682745.

THANKS TO

OAKDALE NURSING HOME

Portarlinton Social Services/Meals on Wheels Committee thank the staff & residents of Oakdale Nursing Home for their kind donation of €243, proceeds from their recent Cake sale. Thanks to all who attended on the day. It was wonderful to have 2 former Meals on Wheels committee members Patsy McGuinness & Molly McMahon, now residents in Oakdale to present the cheque to Ann Bourke Dunne secretary of the Social Services.

LIONS CLUB HUNT

Portarlinton Lions Club are delighted to announce that their Annual Charity Hunt Chase takes place today, Sun. 8th Oct. commencing 2pm at the Railway Bar. All welcome - Great Spectacle to view. Concluding with a fund-raising Auction & Raffle - Both always being a great crowd-gatherer, also in the Railway Bar. We hope to see many out around the route supporting the horses & riders for the two hour run before the auction. Please note that this chase is across the fields with no dogs and no animals are hunted!

CRAFT CLUB

Do you knit, crochet, embroider etc? If you do, come and join us on Monday mornings from 10am - 12 noon for crafts, chat and coffee. Venue: Judge Roy Beans, The Heritage Hotel, Killenard

EMO VILLAGE FARMERS MARKET

Emo Village Farmers Market takes place every Sunday from 11pm to 4pm - This is a Craft and Food Market and new stallholders are always welcome. Contact David on 086-2395614 or call into Emo Garden Centre.

CLASSICAL FLUTE LESSONS

All levels catered for to exam level. Phone Magali on 089-4412929 or 057-8647056

WOMEN'S ENTERPRISE DAY

National Women's Enterprise Day takes place in the Heritage Hotel, Killenard on Thurs. 12th Oct. This is a great networking opportunity.

VIOLIN CLASSES

NEW Violin Classes commencing on Thursdays for beginners to advanced. Group, Paired or Individual places available. Call the office for more details on 057 8664127. Last few places still available in **Drums and Advanced Guitar** - Adult pupils most welcome! Contact Nuala Kelly at Laois School of Music, Portlaoise 057 8664127.

AFTER SCHOOL CHILDMINDER NEEDED

Childminder needed to pick up 2 children, 7 and 10 from Emo School and care for them in their own home from 2.30 to 5.30pm Mon. - Fri. approx. 15 hrs a week. Needs to be an energetic person who will help with homework, cook the dinner & entertain the children. Full-time care needed during school holidays & the summer. Phone 086-8135600 after 6pm.

O'DEMPSEYS LOTTO RESULTS 2.10.17

Numbers were: 05,10,23,27. No Jackpot winner. Next week's Jackpot: €1,800. Sincere thanks for your continued support.

EXPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Local Enterprise Office Laois have developed a new Export Development Programme for Laois companies with 10 or less employees who export & who would like to minimise the impact of Brexit on their business. Early booking essential as programme is limited to 10 participating companies.

<https://www.localenterprise.ie/Laois/Training-Events/Online-Bookings/T1761-Brexit-Export-Development-Programme.html>

SOCIAL DANCE CLASSES

Every Wed. at 8pm in St. Brigid's Community Centre, Cloneyhurke from 8pm - 10.30pm. No partner needed. Jive, waltz, quick step, foxtrot, Line dancing etc. Ph: Heather on 087 9322783.

BOOKS, BAGS & BAKES SOCIAL EVENING

Cookery, Gardening books, Handbags & accessories, Cakes. Bring & Buy Sale Wed. 18th Oct. 7.30pm in the Parochial Hall, The Square, Portarlinton. Adm: €5 (incl. supper & raffle draw ticket).

MOUNT ST. ANNES, KILLENARD

CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Annual Christmas Fair will take place on Sun. 3rd Dec. 2017 from 11am to 4pm. We are now taking bookings for those who wish to sell their produce on the day. Early booking is essential as places are limited. Contact Catherine on 057-8626153 for further details/booking.

CHRISTMAS TREE COMMITTEE

The Committee are carrying out their annual door-to-door collections during the months of October & November. We look forward to your continued support.

MEDITATION DAYS

Sat. 14th Oct. 10am - 3.30pm & Sat. 18th Nov. 10am - 3.30pm. A day of relaxation & peace where we come away from our daily pressures allowing you to experience the peace within. Facilitated by the Mount St. Anne's Team. Cost €25

SUAIMHNEAS AUTUMN PROGRAM

Program of workshops planned over the coming months to help you live & embrace this wonderful time of year in a mindful & meaningful way.

Workshops planned for Autumn 2017

- *'Let nothing be wasted' A guide to plastic free living & waste reduction in our homes.* 10th Oct. 7.30-9pm.
 - *The Power of Now & A New Earth Awakening to Your Life's Purpose - 21st Oct. 10am-4.30pm.*
 - *Mindful Christmas Workshop - 25th Nov. 10am-4.30pm.*
- Spaces limited so booking essential. Tea/Coffee & delicious home baking to look forward to. E-mail info@suaimhneas.ie or Phone 057 8626541.

PORTARLINGTON CONCERT BAND

Lessons for Beginners and Intermediate commenced & will continue every Thursday in the former girls school Patrick St (now used by the boys NS). Boys & Girls 9+ & enthusiastic adults welcome. Musical instruments provided. If interested contact: Joan Hennessy 087-6229172 or Pat Donegan 083-8510423.

COOKING CLASSES

Cooking Classes for Primary School Parents will take place in the Portarlinton Community Centre from 9.15am to 11.15am for four Fridays commencing on Fri. 6th Oct. Funded by Saferood - 15 places available. Contact Laois Partnership 087 2041966 to book your place. Healthy Food on a Budget; Healthy Recipes that Your Kids will Eat; Reading Food Labels.

PORTARLINGTON LEISURE CENTRE

Now taking bookings for our Halloween Activities! Swim Camps, Multi activity camps. Also get a new lifesaving qualification this Halloween and become a RLSS lifeguard. All happening over the Halloween mid term here at Portarlinton Leisure Centre. More information at reception or call 057-8645800.

EMO ART & CRAFT FAIR

Takes place Sun. 12th Nov. in The Community Centre Emo at 11.30am to 5pm. Cost of table €25. If you are interested contact Stephanie on 0868378659 by text or call after 4pm.

PORTARLINGTON CREDIT UNION

We invite you to come celebrate International Credit Union Day on Thurs. 19th Oct. Refreshments and spot prizes on the day. Call down and meet the team.

PORTARLINGTON SOCCER CLUB - LOTTO Draw was held on 3rd Oct. - Winning Letters O,P,W,Y - No Jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following: Noel Foy & Ann Lowry. Sellers prize Noel Foy. Next Jackpot €7,600.