

PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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MASS TIMES

St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton

10am Daily Mass (Monday – Friday)

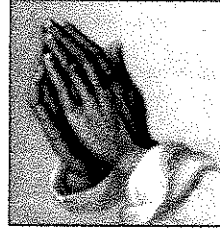
6.15pm (Vigil – Sat.), 9am & 12.15pm Sunday

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, Portarlinton

www.mcnlive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlinton



Portarlinton & Emo Parish
 @EmoParish

SUNDAY 11th August, 2024

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

WEEKEND MASSES PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 10th August 6.15pm

Elizabeth (Betty) Clancy, Assumpta Tce. (1st Anniv.); Ann Murphy (nee Dix), Gracefield (1st Anniv.); Madge Knight, Assumpta Tce. (5th Anniv.); Peter Ryan, Ballymorris (5th Anniv.)
 Michael (Chips) Dunne, Deerpark; Bill Brady, Droughill

Sun. 11th August 12.15pm

May Shanley, Patrick St; Paddy Burbage, Main Street; his sister, Carmel Brodie & deceased members of the Burbage Family; Pat & Mary Fitzgerald, Cushina

Sat. 17th August 6.15pm

Jimmy Murphy, Crowe Lane (M.M.)
 Noel Kelly, Derryvilla (3rd Anniv.); Bridie & Patsy Lawlor, Marian Hill; Catherine & George McKaye, The Square; Joe & Andy Donagher, Derrylea; Milo Bracken, Avondale (80th B/Day Remembrance)

Sun. 18th August 12.15pm

Michael & Marcella Collins, Station Rd; Paddy Cummins, Gracefield; Patrick O'Meara & his father, Donal O'Meara, Sweep Road

ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

Sun. 11th August 10.30am

Thomas McHale Snr., Killenard

Sun. 18th August 10.30am

James & Margaret Raleigh, Garryvacum;
 Deceased members of the Raleigh Family, Garryvacum

WEEK DAY ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 12th Aug. ---

Tues. 13th Aug. ---

Wed. 14th Aug. ---

Thurs. 15th Aug. Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – A Holy Day of Obligation

Fri. 16th Aug. ---

DECEASED

Prayers are requested for the following, who died recently:



Fran (Frank) Naughton,
 Ballina, Co. May & Station House, Portarlinton

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Sat. 10th August 7.30pm

Sheila Grehan, Four Roads, Mountmellick (1st Anniv.); Kathleen & William Byrne, Morette, Michael Connolly, Crowe Lane & Emo, (11th Anniv.)

Sun. 11th August 11am

Anthony (Nanno) Dunne, Morette (12th Anniv.)

Sat. 17th August 7.30pm

Sun. 18th August 11am

John Greaney, Athy & late of Ballybrittas (Mass and Burial of Ashes)

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sun. 11th August 9am

Patrick O'Connell, Killaglush

Sun. 18th August 9am

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK



Wed. 14th Aug. – St. Maximilian Kolbe

Thurs. 15th Aug. – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Fri. 16th Aug. St. Stephen of Hungary

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday 15th August, 2024

We celebrate Mary's day of glorification, her 'Passover' into the resurrected life of her Son.

The Feast of the Assumption honours 'the fullness of blessedness that is Mary's destiny'.

This Feast Day is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses as follows on Thursday 15th August:

Portarlinton: 10am & 7.30pm

Killenard: 10.30am

Emo: 7.30pm / Rath: 9am

PRAYER

Heavenly Mother,
 filled with God's grace,
 pray for us today
 and all days,
 that we may strive to be
 trusting, patient and faithful,
 as you were,
 so that we may, one day,
 join you and all the Saints in Heaven.
 In Jesus name we Pray.
 Amen



BENEMERENTI PAPAL MEDAL

Sheila Dunne, Rathmiles, Killenard



Bishop Denis Nulty will present Sheila Dunne with the Benemerenti Papal Medal on Friday 23rd August in St. John's Church, Killenard at 7.30pm.

We congratulate Sheila on this award for her long and exceptional service to the Church and the community. All are welcome to join this celebration in St. John's Church. Refreshments will be served afterwards in The Thatch, Killenard.

A CALL TO EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The Diocesan Adoration Committee invite you to a day of Prayer, Adoration and Revival. Join us with Most Reverend Bishop Denis Nulty, Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill, Fr. Chiriyankandath Prince and Ms. Margaret Brennan.

Venue: Mount St. Anne's Conference and Retreat Centre, Killenard
 Date/Time: Saturday 24th August from 9.30am to 4pm. Lunch €10 at 12.30pm to 1pm. Confessions available. Mass at 3pm. Come along and bring a friend.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Tuesday's after the 10am Mass concluding with the Rosary at 7pm. If you could help by volunteering to give an hour of your choice some Tuesday's, please contact the Parish Office.

CEMETERY MASS 2024

Emo Old Cemetery
 (Beside Church)
 Sat. 17th August at 7.30pm



BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism
PORTARLINGTON PARISH
 Finn Daniel O'Keefe, Bracknagh

EMIGRANT NEWSLETTER 2024

We would really welcome any articles or old photographs for inclusion in this year's edition of the Emigrant Newsletter. You can drop in your article to the Parish Office or email: portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net
 Closing date - End of August.

GRACEFIELD G.A.A.

Family Fun Day

Today (Sun. 11th Aug.) 2-5pm.

Hot food / refreshments and entertainment.
 Events: Kick Fada / Póc Fada / Hang Tough / Underage Blitz / Adult & Juvenile Races / Duck race at 5.30 (Barrow Bridge).

GUIDANCE INFORMATION MORNING

L.O.E.T.B.

(Laois Offaly Education Training Board)
 27th August from 10am to 1pm. Learn more about PLCs, Apprenticeships and Tertiary degrees in Laois, come and talk with our staff from: - Abbeyleix FETC / Portlaoise Institute / Portlaoise FETC / Laois School of Music / Portarlinton FETC / Apprenticeship Services / LOETB / SETU Tertiary degrees
 Visit the Portlaoise LOETB Information Hub, Unit 1, Lyster Square, Portlaoise. 057 8630093.

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB

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Keep Fit – Wed. nights with Eimear 7-8pm.
 Dancing Lessons – Thurs. night with Noeleen 7.30-9pm. All kinds of dancing. €10 per night.

Flights from Dublin – Malaga (Return) x 2 includes priority & luggage x 2
 Date: 9th – 3rd September – Unwanted Gift. €500 O.N.O. Contact the Parish Office.

O'DEMPSEY'S GAA NEWS

Lotto Results for 6th August

Numbers: 1, 2, 13, 26. No Jackpot Winner.
 Match 3 winners: Micheal Finlay Snr., Benny Melia, Anne Fennelly McLaughlin. Promoter: Eddie Fitzpatrick. Next Draw: Mon. 12th August with a Jackpot of €9,800. Thanks for your continued support with our club fundraiser.

NEW ARCHERY CLUB

Portarlinton & Environs

A new Archery Club is being proposed for Portarlinton & environs. Affiliated to IFAF (The Irish Field Archery Federation), Boghdóiri Bóchluain Archery Club hopes to introduce Archery to the area. This sport is growing in popularity throughout Ireland. We hope to introduce archery beginners courses, archery coaching and workshops. If you are interested in finding out further details you can Email boghlonearchers@mail.com or message through Facebook Messenger from our page Boghdóiri Bóchluain.

WALK IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. BROCHAN



Sun. 18th August commencing 2pm at Clonshannon, Clonsast. At St. Brochan's Monastery Ruins an informative talk, candle lit 1 km walk to St. Brochan's Well and the unveiling of the new Heritage sign. Parking available. Refreshments afterwards.

CAR BOOT SALE

Car Boot Sale will take place at Solas Eco Garden Centre today, Sunday 11th August.

PRAYER FOR THE MIDDLE EAST



God of peace, bearer of hope,
 we seek your help
 for the people of the Middle East.

Quiet the clamour of war
 and guide us towards peace.
 Where there is hatred and division
 sow seeds of calm and openness.

Where there is destruction
 help us to rebuild.
 Where children are crying
 bring an end to tears.

Shelter your peoples and protect them.
 Guide them and keep them from harm.
 Show us how to break down the barriers
 of history and fear,
 and breathe whispers of hope. Amen

SEEKING, SERVING & SHARING CHRIST IN A SYNODAL CHURCH

The Priory Institute two week on-line Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive & will run from 19th August. The course includes eight recorded presentations and three on-line zoom discussions and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and to register check out prioryinstitute.com

HERITAGE WEEK 2024

Talks will be held on August 21st from 8pm – 10am in Portarlinton Library. Topics for discussion are: Dereliction / Decay / Conservation / Saving Portarlington's Historic Buildings. The recent restoration of Portarlinton Railway Station will be discussed and the ongoing restoration of Market House in the Square. Further info. from Portarlinton Arts & Heritage Group phone 086 1508046 or email davidorford55@gmail.com. All very welcome

TOP ESTATES COMPETITION

The "Best Estates Competition" for Laois Co. Co. Housing Estates & Tenants is underway. Top prize of 1,500 for Residents' Association of one estate. Lots of prize money to be won for individual tenants. Nomination forms & details <https://laois.ie/departments/housing/estate-management/> Nominations must be received by 4pm on Thurs. 15th August 2024.

NATIONAL NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF KNOCK

Takes place from 14th to 22nd August 2024. In this year of prayer, the theme for the Novena is 'Whispering with God – How do you pray?' Novena ceremonies will take place each day at 3pm and 8pm in Knock Basilica. Daily workshops take place at 12.45pm & themed guided prayer sessions will be available in Knock Prayer Centre.

RATH BALLYBRITTAS DEVELOPMENT ASSOC.

The above association have received a grant from the Heritage Council, which will be utilized to carry out works to the exterior of the Old School House in Rath. On Thurs. Aug 22nd, we will be hosting a Heritage Week event from 5-7pm in the old school hall to showcase the history of the building and to discuss the proposed works. All are welcome to attend. Should you wish to submit a story about the old school house or it's time as a stage for local drama groups, or to provide photographs, please forward them by Thurs. next, 15th August to secretaryrbda@gmail.com
 Please provide names & a short description.
 We look forward to seeing on the night.

EMO - RATH PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot €2,000
 Next draw will take place on Monday 12th August.

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Lotto

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

5.8.2024 – Week Number 32
 Numbers 17, 8, 25, 21 – No jackpot winner.
 €50 to each of the following:-
 Charlie Evans / Tadhg Bryan / Mary Foy / Sharon Slattery / Deirdre Doyle. Promoter prize: Johnny Lawrence.
 Next week's jackpot €16,400

PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY EVENTS

AUGUST 2024



Summer Stars: There is still time for children to join the summer reading challenge. Read 8 books throughout the summer & receive a medal & a certificate.
Family Games Night: Board game sessions for all the family Wed 7th & 14th Aug. 6-7pm
Lego Free Play: Sat 6th 13th 20th & 27th July Time 10:30am -12:30pm Pop into the library & enjoy some Lego free play. Children must be supervised by a parent/guardian.

Seaside Craft and Storytime: Tues. 13th August. Suitable for 4-7yrs yrs. Booking essential - Phone 057 8643751 or Email portarlingtonlibrary@laoiscoco.ie
Dr Seuss Treasure Hunt: A Treasure Hunt will be held in the Library for the month of August. Pop in and win a small prize.

Heritage Week

"Decay, Dereliction and Conservation – Saving Portarlington's Historic Buildings" with David Orford
 Wednesday 21st August 8pm Booking advised, call 057 8643751 or email portarlingtonlibrary@laoiscoco.ie
Willow Weaving: Thursday 22nd August 3pm. Suitable for 8-12 year olds. Booking essential call 057 8643751 or Email portarlingtonlibrary@laoiscoco.ie
Knitting Club: Meets every Friday morning 10:30am-12:30 All skill levels from beginner to advanced are welcome!

YOUTH 2000 - SUMMER FESTIVAL

15th – 18th August 2024 at Clongowes Wood College. Hear amazing talks, meet other young Catholics, and explore your faith. Ages 16 to 35 years. Donation only. Free buses from several areas.
www.youth2000.ie

MCN

www.mcn.live

The church camera website address was updated over the past few months to MCN.LIVE

We have noticed a lot of viewers are still going to the old address which is due to be retired.

We would appreciate if you could access our church camera for Masses now on www.mcnlive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlinton or www.mcn.live

CHILD MINDER NEEDED

Childminder required 2-3 days per week – Emo area. Contact Paul on 086 8798242.