

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 24th November, 2024

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King of the Universe

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WEEKEND MASSES - PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 23rd November 6.15pm

Carmel Crombie, Pinevilla (8th Anniv.)
Declan Murphy, Woodbrook; Liam O'Connor,
Patrick St. (19th Anniv.); Bridget & John Lovern,
Foxcroft Street; Francis Watson, Main Street
Kathleen Masterson, Luke Masterson, Bernard
& May Masterson, Frank & Mollie Wyer,
Cushina,

Sun. 24th November 12.15pm

Veronica (Vera) Keegan, Cloneyhurke (M.M.);
Seamus & Jane Murphy, St. Michael's Park;
their son Seamus & Rose Murphy, St. Michael's
Park & London; George & Kay Dempsey &
deceased members of the Dempsey Family,
Treascon, Edward Murphy, St. Michael's Park,

Sat. 30th November 6.15pm

Ger Hyland, Station Rd. (1st Anniv.); Dec.
members of the Hyland & McCormack Families;
Paddy McEvoy & dec. members of the McEvoy
Family; Mary & John Greene & son, Michael
Greene, Assumpta Terrace; Teresa McMahon,
Bracklone St; Tom & Sheila Troy;
Jerry & Willa Murphy, Droughill

Sun. 1st December 12.15pm

Bridget Emerson, Bishopswood (1st Anniv.);
Kathleen Mangan, Crann Nua (9th Anniv.)
Danny Hynes, St. Joseph's Tce
Adam Finlay, Crowe Lane.

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 25th Nov.

Robert Smart, Avondale
& Drogheda (2nd Anniv.);
Dinny Lyons (B/Day Remembrance)
Neill McHugh;

Tues. 26th Nov.

Esther & Gerald Kelly

Wed. 27th Nov.

Faith Pollard, Brighton (Recently Deceased)

Thurs. 28th Nov. ---

Fri. 29th Nov. ---

DECEASED

Please pray for the following who died
during the week:



Ann Kennelly, (nee Moran),
Tallaght & formerly Droughill
Jim Wilson,

Formerly Cushina who died in
New Zealand

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sun. 24th November 10.30am

James McDonnell, Springfield & dec. members
of the McDonnell Family; Mary McHale;
Thomas McHale Jnr., Killenard; Catherine
Fennelly, Wolfhill; Elizabeth Whelan,
Garryvacuum & dec. members of the Whelan &
Fennelly Families; Jeremiah Culleton,
Rathleash; Fr. Tom Keogh; James & Bridie
Keogh; Alice Lalor; Kathy Elmon (nee Keogh),
Rathleash; Gemma O'Sullivan, Killenard

Sun. 1st December 10.30am

Mary McElwee, Mountmellick & Killenard
(2nd Anniv.) Kathleen Hickey,
Lea Road (6th Anniv.);

ANNIVERSARIES EMO

Sat. 23rd November 7.30pm

Sun. 24th November 11am

Kathleen Malone (nee Kearney), Rosecourt
Catherine Horne & deceased members of the
Horne Family

Sat. 30th November 7.30pm

Sarah Ann Kelly, Carn (1st Anniv.)
Jack & Maureen Nerney, Cappakeel; Jim &
Mary Nerney, The Poplars, Cappakeel

Sun. 1st December 11am

Deceased members of Emo Choir.
Noel Davis, Emo Park

ANNIVERSARIES RATH

Sun. 24th November 9am

Dan Coffey, Naas;
Richard Oldfield U.S.A.

Sun. 1st December 9am

**1st Anniversary Mass
for Fr. Sean Murphy
today, Sun. 24th November 2024 at
1.30pm in Sacred Heart
Church, Rath.**



**Celebrant Fr Michael Connell
SDB**

Fr. Sean Murphy SDB

CHRISTMAS STATIONS



Christmas Stations for the support of the
Priests of the Parish will be taken up as a
second collection at all Masses this
weekend. There are envelopes in the
envelope boxes & also at the Church Porch.
This is one of the five times during the year
you give to the direct support of the priests
of the parish. Your support is greatly
appreciated.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION

The National Annual St Vincent de Paul
Collection will take place at all masses on the
7th/8th December. Sincere thanks to
everyone who supports St Vincent de Paul.
Your donations are gratefully appreciated.
You can contact St Vincent de Paul on :
087 7640557

EMIGRANT NEWSLETTER 2024

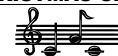
All committee members are asked to
attend a meeting in Fr. Noonan's house
on next Friday, 29th November at
7.30pm. The "2024 Emigrant Newsletter"
will be on sale next week-end (November
30th / December 1st) after all Masses and
thereafter in the usual shops. Price €5.

CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS

Portarlinton & Emo Parishes
Available in Portarlinton Parish Office.
Donation €3.

Intentions will be remembered at Christmas
Masses celebrated in Portarlinton & Emo
Parishes over Christmas

CHRISTMAS CHOIR



St. Michael's Parish, Portarlinton

Two rehearsals per week for the four weeks
of Advent commencing Wed. next. 27th
November at 7.30pm and Saturday 30th
November at 11am. All welcome to come
and join our Choir.



We welcome into the Parish Christian Community through Baptism:-
Polly Sinead Murphy, The Glen, Kilnacourt
Theo Shane Langan, Kilmalogue

FR. SEAN MURPHY SDB MEMORIAL FUND
 Fr Sean dedicated his life to helping the poor and underprivileged in South Africa. He was supported in this work with funds raised by his family and friends in Ireland. With Fr Sean's 1st Anniversary mass today we want to honour his work by raising funds to continue this work which was very close to his heart. If you are in a position to support this cause all donations received are greatly appreciated. If you can help go to [idonate go fund me page](#) and funds raised will be used to continue Fr Sean's missionary work to help those in greatest need in the areas he served in.

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

At Suaimhneas, Emo – Thurs. November 28th. 7.30-8.30pm. Tues. November 26th & December 3rd from 3-4pm. These afternoons and evenings will provide you with an opportunity to experience a variety of meditation practices which will help you to recharge, repair, and refocus in the calm and tranquil atmosphere of Suaimhneas. Facilitated by the Suaimhneas team. Followed by refreshments. Booking essential. Contact Anne on 087 8070140 or Email info@suaimhneas.ie

PORTARLINGTON LOURDES COMMITTEE MEETING

Portarlington Lourdes committee meeting at 8 pm in the Catholic club on Main Street on Wednesday next, the 27th November. Committee Members asked to attend as tickets will be made available for the upcoming raffle.



GRINDS AVAILABLE

Maths, Physics, Biology, Irish. – Ordinary & higher level. Portarlington & surrounding areas. Phone 083 4638071.

COLAISTE IOSAGAIN – FUNDRAISER

Transition Year Students & some of the teaching team are preparing to **LIP SYNC** as part of a fundraising event. This event will take place in The Heritage Hotel, Killenard – **Sunday 24th November**. Doors open 6pm with the show beginning 7pm. Limited ticket availability. Tickets can be purchased by looking for Coláiste Iosagáin School Fundraiser on the Events54 page/app.

CONVERSATIONAL IRISH GROUP

Conversational Irish group will meet each Wednesday for the month of November 27th from 7.30pm to 9pm in the old school, Vicarstown. Fáilte le cách.

SPIORAID NAOIMH PRAYING COMMUNITY

Growth in the Holy Spirit Monthly Retreat
 St. Peters and Paul's Parish Church Portlaoise. Sat. 30th November 10am – 1.30pm. Mass 10am – Confessions available. Retreat continues in Parish Centre after Mass from 10.45am to 1.30pm (Exposition, Rosary, Holy Spirit Novena, Praise & Worship, Teaching, Prayer Ministry). Contact: Michael Nerney
 086 8157305 Spiritual Director Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill PP. www.spioraidnaoimh.com
 All Welcome

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.



ROSARY - EMO

St. Paul's Church, Emo – 3pm every day.

MOUNT ST ANNE'S RETREAT CENTRE, KILLENARD – JOB VACANCY

Mount St Anne's is looking for dynamic and experienced **Operations Assistant** to join our team at this busy Centre. For detailed job description, please Email ceo@mountstannes.com or phone 057 8626153 for further details. For information about the Centre visit our website: www.mountstannes.com. Mount St Anne's is an equal opportunities employer. Closing date for applications is November 25th 2024.

KILLENARD COMMUNITY CENTRE Cozy Christmas Market 2024.

We are excited to announce that we will be organizing a small, cozy Christmas Market this year in Killenard. We are looking for talented local vendors to join us. If you create handmade crafts, artisan goods, festive treats or unique products, we'd love to have you be a part of this special December event. Contact killenardcommunitycentre@gmail.com or DM on Facebook.

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB, CLONEYHURKE - R32 CY89

Next Social Dance: Sat. 23rd November. Music by Philip English. Doors open at 9pm. Adm: €10. Refreshments served.

Keep Fit: Classes on Wednesday and Friday nights with Eimear from 7-8pm. €5 each night.
Dancing Lessons: Every Thursday night with Noeleen from 7.30pm-9pm. All kinds of dancing. €10 per night.

BRIDGE CLUB

A new morning Bridge Club has been set up in Portlaoise. Bridge players wanted - All skill levels welcome for the new club. Venue: Portlaoise Enterprise Centre – Wednesday mornings commencing 10.30am. Refreshments served. Open to everyone. Further information and venue phone William on 087 0929898

FOLKTALE OF MAEVE O'REGAN

The Folktale of Maeve O'Reagan' is a children's story from Ireland's past; bringing the child on a magical journey of fairies and ghosts. This book would make a great Christmas present for a child that loves to read. Donation from the sale of the book goes to Portarlington Meals on Wheels. Available from the Parish office, Whelehan's Newsagents, Solas Garden Centre, at Emo Craft Fair & online www.Buythebook.ie

RATH NATIONAL SCHOOL PA Christmas Split the Pot

Five weekly draws from November 20th – December 18th. Tickets €5 available via school, Iosa Linn, Donoher's, and The Fisherman's.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MARKET

Portarlington women's shed is hosting their Annual Christmas Market on Dec 7th from 11am -4pm in the Parochial Hall (Market Square). Lots of unique gifts – Free Santa Visit, Face Painting and Music.

FOUND

Dental plate found in car park outside school in Killenard. Please contact School.

EMO / RATH - PARISH LOTTO

Week 1958 – Date 18th Nov. 2024
 Numbers 10, 13, 18, 24 – No jackpot winner. €25 to each of the following:- Mark Hand c/o Emo GAA / Brid Maher c/o B. Gorman / Dan O'Neill c/o D. Behan / Marie Langford c/o D. Lawlor / David McNair c/o Mena
Jackpot of €4,800.



GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

Date. 18th Nov, 2024 – Week No.47
 Numbers 28, 14, 32, 3 – No jackpot winner. €50 to each of the following:- Johnny Lawrence; Sean Conroy; Maria & Mary Flanagan; Conor Bryan; Tim Garry. Promoter prize Colin Hanlon.
Next week's Jackpot €4,800.

ART EXHIBITION



Collection of Oil Paintings by Pat Fox.
 Art Exhibition to be held at The Heritage Hotel, Killenard – Sat. 23rd Nov. until 9pm. Sun. 24th Nov. 2-6pm. All welcome.

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

Lotto Results – 18th November.
 Numbers drawn: 6,16,19,26. No Jackpot Winner. Match 3 winner Eddie Fitzpatrick, Catherine Murphy. Promoter: Eddie Fitzpatrick. Next Draw: **Monday 25th** November with a Jackpot €3,600. Thanks for your support.

Juvenile Christmas Hamper Draw

Online tickets are available now and we will be at Supervalu on 13th/14th December. All support is greatly appreciated. Draw will be held on 14th December at the Clubhouse at our Christmas Social.

EMO ART & CRAFT GROUP

Thank everyone that supported them at the recent craft fair. On the day we had a raffle and this year the recipient is Laois Palliative Care. €705 was raised on the day and we will round it up to €1,000. Thank you so much for your support, it is a very worthy cause. The winners of the raffle were: Lily Horgan, Brianna O'Reilly, Eileen Furlong, Conor Nolan, Jamie Hiney, Shirley Luttrell, Liam Molyneaux and Nora Caffrey.

CONCERT

With Liam Lawton & Friends
 O Holy Night, Concert with Liam Lawton & Friends (including Perfect Harmony Choir) in St. Mary's Church Edenderry on 8th December. Doors open: 6.30 p.m., Concert: 7pm. Tickets: €15 each available from Anna-Marie Boutique, Mangan's Centra and the Parish Centre 046 9733311. Proceeds in aid of St. Mary's Church refurbishment.

CHRISTMAS TREE PORTARLINGTON

Will light up on 30th November Santa will also be there with his Santa Truck. Portarlington Christmas Tree Committee are raising funds for our Towns Christmas Tree. Money raised will be used to cover electricity cost, insurance and maintenance. Please donate so that we can continue to provide a beautiful Christmas Tree and Crib each year in the Square. Donate on our Go Fund Me page or you can drop in your donation to Brian Whelan Electric – Main Street, Portarlington.

