



PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO

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



Portarlington & Emo Parish
@EmoParish

SUNDAY 29th SEPTEMBER, 2024

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

YEAR B

Pray for Migrants & Refugees

WEEKEND MASSES PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 28th September 6.15pm

Paul Dempsey, Kilbride (1st Anniv.)
Tommy Dobbyn, Kilmalogue Cross;
Joe Duffy, Ballycullane (6th Anniv.) &
granddaughter Rebecca (18th Anniv.)

Sun. 29th September 12.15pm

Thomas Fingleton, St. Joseph's Tce. &
Shandra (M.M.);
Catherine O'Reilly, Patrick Street (1st Anniv.)

Sat. 5th October 6.15pm

Jim Lawlor, Lea Road (3rd Anniv.)
Marlene Kennedy, Annamoe (4th Anniv.)
John Knight Jr., St. Joseph's Tce;
Lisa Bracken, Arlington Estate (11th Anniv.)

Sun. 6th October 12.15pm

David Knight, Seskin

ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

Sun. 29th September 10.30am

Christina Brophy, Lough

Sun. 6th October 10.30am

Pat & Annie Monaghan, Lea
Johnny, Margaret & Mary Behan
Jack Regan, Tierhogar; Eileen Keogh,
Huntingdon; James Keogh, Huntingdon

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 30th September

James & Kitty Hennessy, Bracklone Street

Tues. 1st October

Matt Moore, Treascon (1st Anniv.)

Wed. 2nd October

Kathleen Hogan

Thurs. 3rd October

Finbarr Fitzpatrick, Barrowbank (24th Anniv.)

DECEASED

Prayers are requested for the following,
who died recently:

Paddy Devlin, Foxcroft Street
Vincent Cryan, Main Street, Portarlington
Kathleen McKenna, Foxcroft Avenue



We welcome into the Parish Christian
Community through Baptism:-
Olanna Gianna Azuwike, Barrow Mews
Jade Rósin Fingleton, Shandra & Canada

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Sat. 28th September 7.30pm

Margaret (Peggy) Dunne, Morette (3rd Anniv.)

Sun. 29th September 11am

Matt Moore, Treascon (1st Anniv.)
James & Teresa Dowling & daughter, Sheila,
Kilmainham, Mountmellick

Sat. 5th October 7.30pm

Martin Gleeson, Morette
Christopher Gleeson, Morette

Sun. 6th October 11am

George Hyland, formerly Limetree

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sun. 29th September 9am

Edward Fitzgerald, Rath (3rd Anniv.)
Anna O'Connor, Courtwood (4th Anniv.)
Tommy Tynan, Kilbracken & deceased
members of the Tynan Family, Jamestown &
the Delaney Family, Coole

Sun. 6th October 9am

Billy Murphy, Bellgrove (5th Anniv.)
Patricia Greene (nee Heffernan), Courtwood
(15th Anniv.); Anne & Liam (20th) Tynan,
Copperbeech, Jamestown; Patrick Brennan,
Jamestown (60th Anniv.)

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.

YOUTH CHOIR



Now open to new members for 2024/2025.
All primary school children welcome.
Rehearsal: Fridays from 3pm-4pm.
Location: St John's Church, Killenard.
First rehearsal will be held on Friday 27th
September. For more information contact
Ursula at portarlingtonyouthchoir@gmail.com
or Eimear on 085-7775607.

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday next, 4th October, is the First Friday of the
Month. Mass will be celebrated as follows:-
Rath – Thurs. 3rd Oct. at 9.30am
Emo – Fri. 4th Oct. at 9.15am
Portarlington – Fri. 4th Oct. at 10am

PRAYER FOR

MIGRANTS & REFUGEES



Lord Jesus, give us more of your
compassion for their plight,
soften our hearts to their situation,
and help us follow your lead in seeking
justice and mercy on their behalf.
We pray for an end to the wars, poverty
and human rights abuses that drive
desperate people to become refugees
in the first place.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

*Lord, make me an instrument
of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me
sow love;*



*...where there is injury, pardon;
...where there is doubt, faith;
...where there is despair, hope;
...where there is darkness, light;
...where there is sadness, joy;
O Divine Master,*

*grant that I may not so much seek
...to be consoled as to console;
...to be understood as to understand;
...to be loved as to love.*

*For it is in giving that we receive;
...it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
...and it is in dying that we are born to
eternal life.*

St. Francis of Assisi

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Mon. 30th Sept. St. Jerome
Tues. 1st Oct. St. Therese of the Child Jesus
Wed. 2nd Oct. The Holy Guardian Angels
Thurs. 3rd Oct. Blessed Columba Marimon
Fri. 4th Oct. St. Francis of Assisi
Sat. 5th Oct. St. Faustina Kowalska

OCTOBER - MISSION MONTH

In the Catholic Church, October has long
been associated with mission. The month
starts with the feast of St Thérèse of Lisieux
which falls on Tues. 1st October and draws
to a close with World Mission Sunday, 20th
October – A special day of prayer and global
solidarity celebrated in all Catholic parishes
around the world.

AnamCara

Supporting bereaved parents

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports
bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent
Support Evening on Wed. 9th Oct. at 7.15pm in
the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is free and
open to all bereaved parents regardless of their
age your child died, the circumstances of their
death, or how recent their death was. You do
not need to register in advance. We also offer
an online support group meeting. To find out
more call 01 4045378 or
email info@anamcara.ie

VISIT OF THE RELIC OF ST. BERNADETTE

The Relics of St. Bernadette will visit the
Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Mon.
7th October. The Relics will be received by
Bishop Denis at the 10am Mass. A water ritual,
with water from the Grotto, is scheduled for 12
noon, Mass for the Sick and the Sacrament of
the Sick will be celebrated at 3pm. The visit of
the Relics will conclude with a torch light
procession at 8pm. The Relics may be visited
throughout the day in the Cathedral, which will
remain open on the evening until 10pm, the visit
of the relics concluding with a prayer of
thanksgiving. The relics will visit Ss Peter &
Paul, Portlaoise on Tues. 8th October.

KESTRELS BASKETBALL

Join Basketball at Kestrels, we are currently
looking for boys born 2013/14 to join our U12
team. We train Mondays 5.30-6.30pm in
Coláiste Iosagáin. Further information contact
Louise on 087 6134057.

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

Keep Fit: There will be **NO KEEP FIT** for the
next couple of weeks. Classes will resume for
the winter on Wed. 2nd October form 7-8pm.
Dancing Lessons: Thursday nights with
Noeleen 7.30pm-9pm. €10 per night.

FAMILY FUN & 5K RUN FUNDRAISER

Killenard Community Centre

5K Race / Family Walk at the Heritage Walking
Track. 1am start. Registration from 10am on
Sat. 28th September. Join us at the Community
Centre straight after for Family Fun – Bouncing
castles / face painting / games / music / BBQ /
crepes / Coffee & Ice cream. Prizes to be won.
Register on <https://eventbrite.ie/e/killenard-community-5k-race-family-event-tickets-1005725009577?aff=ebdssbdstsearch>

O'DEMPSEY'S GFC NEWS

Quiz Night at the Old Pound

Join us for a Quiz Night at the O'Dempsey's
Clubhouse on Friday, 4th October. Our Old
Pound Bar will open from 8.30pm, with the quiz
to start around 9pm. All support is greatly
appreciated.

Lotto Results: 23rd September

Numbers drawn: 4,5,7,9. No Jackpot Winner.
Match 3 winners: Louise McCormack, Brendan
McCormack. Promoter Prize: Marie Fallon. Next
Draw is Monday 30th Sept. with a Jackpot of
€2,200. Thanks for your continued support.

BADMINTON

In Portarlington Community Centre every
Monday from 7-9pm. No need to book, you can
call in and give it a try. Children €3 from 7-8pm
/ Adults €6 from 8-9pm.

ACTIVE + Retirement Ireland

Phone 087 4460151. Activities include keep fit,
day trips, crafts, demonstrations, bingo and
bowls. Thursday's 2-4pm in Portarlington
Community Centre

FEAST DAY OF ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

Tuesday 1st October

St Therese Relics will visit Whitefriar Street
Church Dublin for 3pm Mass with Veneration till
4.30pm afterwards to the Carmelite Church
White Abbey Kildare Town for 7.30pm Mass
with Veneration till 9pm. All enquiries to The
Sweeney Family on 085 8887549

SUAIMHNEAS, EMO

Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Join us in celebrating this lovely feast as we
conclude the Season of Creation.
Date Fri. 4th October from 3pm -4pm
Followed by refreshments. Booking essential!
Contact Anne 087-8070140

PORT. TRAIL WALKS (TODAY)

Join Port. Trail Walks to Celebrate National
Walking Day, today, Sunday 29th September.
Community Walk hosted by Port Trail Walking
Group. Registration from 9.30am at the
Edenderry Road Entrance to Derrynoune Lakes
& Trails, Portarlington. Walk commences at
10am - 4-5km looped walk, suitable for
beginners (note: dogs not permitted on walk).
Contact Donie at 086-3288858 for more details.

IRISH DANCING CLASSES

Irish dancing classes resume this week at the
Burbage Irish Dance Academy studio under the
tuition of Kara and Seán Burbage. All dancing
levels catered for at both competitive and non-
competitive level. Lots of fun, fitness and
making lots of happy memories are in store for
this coming term. New beginners always
welcome. Contact us via our Facebook and
Instagram pages for more information.

PORTARLINGTON RFC PORT DARA YOUTHS TRAINING



Mondays at Portarlington RFC on Lea Road &
Wednesdays in Cill Dara RFC. 8pm – 9.15pm
both nights. New players welcome. Further
info. contact Karen 086 6015751.

CONCERT

St. Peter's & Paul's Monasterevin
Frances Black with Monasterevin Gospel
Choir in Concert on 17th October commencing
8pm. Tickets €25. Proceeds in aid of St.
Peter's & Paul's Church & Monasterevin Day
Care Centre. Booking at Monasterevin Parish
Office 045 525346 or Earley's Fashion Shop
phone, 045 525395. The concert will **not** be
streamed on the night.

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland is a
weekend experience and is for married couples
who want something more in their marriage –
more fun, spontaneity, excitement,
communication, understanding, romance,
intimacy, passion, joy. The next Marriage
Enrichment Weekend is Fri. 8th – Sun. 10th Nov.

VACANCY

Caring in Offaly CE scheme: **Home Respite**
Care Worker, Vacancy No. 2355378,
Portarlington area, 19.5 hours per week.
Phone Alison Hackett for information
086-0213711 / ahackett@familycarers.ie

LAOIS LEISURE CENTRE

Are you someone who is interested in part time
employment? We will train you to become a
Level 1 Swim Instructor and employ you to
teach weekdays between
Monday to Friday 9.30am till 1.30pm.
Only 8 places are available, for more info
contact amy@laoisleisure.ie for more details.

EMO / RATH - PARISH LOTTO

Week No. 1951 – 23rd Sept. 2024
Numbers 5, 8, 14, 24 – No jackpot winner.
€25 to each of the following:-
Sheila McNair C/o Mena; Declan O'Mahoney
C/o Emo GAA; Lucy Mulhall C/o S. Strong;
Colin Delaney C/o Bernie Gorman; Karl
Brogan C/o D. Lawlor.
**Next draw takes place on 30th Sept. with a
Jackpot of €3,400.**

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

23.9.2024 – Week No. 39
Numbers, 32, 15, 14, 28 – No Jackpot
winner. €50 to each of the following:-
Brody Murphy / Davinia Conroy / Edward
Gordan / Bertie Evans / Josie Hanlon.
Promoter prize: Direens
Next week's Jackpot €3,200

GARDA TEXT ALERT

Portarlington Garda Text alert service is now
open for subscriptions for 2024/2025.
Annual subscription is €10 and can be paid
at Portarlington Credit Union. The aim of the
service provide subscribers with Garda text
alerts of any suspicious or criminal activity in
their area. The service is coordinated by
Portarlington Community Development
Association (PCDA).

MINI RUGBY IS BACK

U.5's all the way up to U.12's. Sat. 10am-
11am (all age groups). Wed. 6.30pm-
7.30pm (U9's, U10's, 11's, 12's boys)
Wed. 6.30-7.30pm U.8's, U10's, U12's girls).
Contact Barry on 086 8206776.

HAPPY SNAPPERS

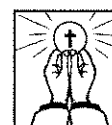
Fishermans Inn, Ballybrittas
First Autumn meeting will be held Mon.
30th Sept. at 8pm. Laois Happy Snappers
are a bunch of local amateur photographers
who meet up on the last Monday of the
month in the Fishermans Inn R32 CR22.
Come along and enjoy your first night,
refreshments served.

CHECK IT FITS

The RSA's 'Check it Fits' service will be
visiting Supervalu car park, Portarlington on
Wed. 16th October from 10am – 5.30pm.
The 'Check it Fits' service is
quick, easy & it's FREE. On the
day our experts will advise on
how to fix any problem,
demonstrate how to fit the
restraint correctly and answer any queries
participants might have. Our experts will
ensure that your child's car seat is safely
and securely fitted in your car.

EXPLORING A VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD INFORMATION DAY

An information day for those
interested in exploring a
vocation to the priesthood
will take place in University
College Dublin on the 12th
October. More details
from vocations.ie/explore



ARLINGTON A.F.C.

FREE UEFA Disney Playmakers
Programme in conjunction with Arlington
AFC takes place in Portarlington Community
Centre Wednesday 2nd October from
7-8pm for 8 weeks. The programme is
designed to encourage girls aged 5 to 8 to
enjoy football through play & the magic of
Disney story telling. Must register in advance
<https://disneyplaymakers.ie/Arlington-AFC/>