



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

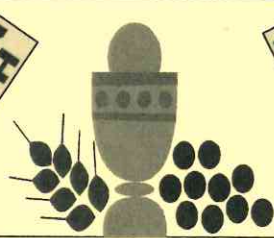
10.30am Sun.

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 6TH OCTOBER, 2024

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

YEAR B

WEEKEND MASSES PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 5th October 6.15pm

John Eakins, Cloneyhurke (2nd Anniv.)
Jim Lawlor, Lea Road (3rd Anniv.)
Marlene Kennedy, Annamoe (4th Anniv.)
John Knight Jnr., St. Joseph's Tce;
Lisa Bracken, Arlington Estate (11th Anniv.)

Sun. 6th October 12.15pm

David Knight, Seskin; Michael & Rose Roycroft,
St. Michael's Park;
Nan & Jack Ryan, Church Lane

Sat. 12th October 6.15pm

Sean O'Reilly, Pine Villa (M.M.)
Michael Roycroft, Avondale (M.M.)
Willie Slattery, St. Brigid's Sq. (16th Anniv.)
James & Peggy Murphy, Assumpta Terrace
Mai Byrne, Cloneyhurke; Breda Kelly, Avondale

Sun. 13th October 12.15pm

Maureen Delaney, Bishopswood (1st Anniv.)
Michael Smyth, Droughill; Deceased members
of the Smyth Family; Maura Smyth

ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

Sun. 6th October 10.30am

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

Sun. 13th October 10.30am

Elizabeth (Betty) Moore, Springfield (20th Anniv.)
Bernard Tynan, Rathmiles

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 7th Oct. Kitty Lynch
Tues. 8th Oct. Moll Leavy, Assumpta Tce.
Wed. 9th Oct. Charles Kavanagh, Bracklone St.
Thurs 10th Oct. Ina & Tony Keenan, Gracefield
Fri. 11th Oct. ---

DECEASED

Prayers are requested for the following,
who died recently:
Michael Hookings, Borradera, Monasterevin



We welcome into the Parish Christian
Community through Baptism:-
Lily May Carew, The Crescent, Graigaverne,
Ballybrittas

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Sat. 5th October 7.30pm

Martin Gleeson, Morette
Christopher Gleeson, Morette
James Hyland, Limetree

Sun. 6th October 11am

George Hyland, formerly Limetree

Sat. 12th October 7.30pm

Sun. 13th October 11am

Conor Montague, Limetree (3rd Anniv.)

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sun. 6th October 9am

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

Sun. 13th October 9am

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.

OCTOBER – MISSION MONTH



October is Mission Month and on Sun. 20th
October we celebrate World Mission Sunday.
This is the Holy Father's annual appeal to
support overseas mission and missionaries. It
takes place in every single parish worldwide
where the Church is present. Missio Ireland is
the Pope's official charity for overseas mission.
For Mission Sunday 2024, Pope Francis has
chosen the theme 'Go and invite everyone to
the banquet'. Mission, he said, is a tireless
going out to all men and women, in order to
invite them to encounter God.
October & World Mission Sunday is a time for
the faithful of the world to show their
appreciation towards the work of overseas
missionaries. You can donate on www.missio.ie
or call Missio Ireland on 01 4972035.

SACRAMENTS 2025

CONFIRMATION 2025



Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard
Thurs. 6th March, 2025 at 11.30am in
St. John's Church, Killenard

**Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road &
Cloneyhurke N.S.**

Thurs. 13th March, 2025 at 11am in
St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton
Presentation Primary School, Station Rd.
Thurs. 13th March, 2025 at 2pm in
St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton

St. Paul's N.S., Emo
Thurs. 27th March, 2025 at 11am in
St. Paul's Church, Emo

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath
Thurs. 27th March 2025 at 2pm in
Church of the Sacred Heart, Rath

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

St. Paul's N.S., Emo
Sun. 4th May 2025 at 11am in
St. Paul's Church, Emo

Presentation Primary School, Station Rd.
Sat. 10th May, 2025 at 11.30am in
St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton

Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard
Sat. 17th May, 2025 at 11.30am in
St. John's Church, Killenard

**Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road &
Cloneyhurke N.S.,**
Sat. 24th May, 2025 at 11.30am in
St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath
Sat. 7th June, 2025 at 11.30am in
Church of the Sacred Heart, Rath

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Mon. 7th Oct: Our Lady of the Rosary
Wed. 9th Oct: St. John Henry Newman;
St. Denis; St. John Leonardi
Fri. 11th Oct: St. John XXIII Pope; St.
Canice

ROSARY

Rosary each day at 4pm in St. John's
Church, Killenard, for the month of October.
All welcome along.

YOUTH CHOIR

Open to new members for 2024/2025.
All primary school children welcome.
Rehearsal: Fridays from 3pm-4pm.
Location: St John's Church, Killenard.
For more information contact Ursula
at portarlintonyouthchoir@gmail.com
or Eimear on 085-7775607.

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

Social Dance; The next social dance will be
held on Sat. 19th October. Dancing to Glen
Flynn. Doors open 9pm. Adm: €10.
Refreshments served.

Keep Fit: Classes resumed on Wednesday last
and continue from 7-8pm.

Dancing Lessons: Thursday nights with
Noeleen 7.30pm-9pm. €10 per night.



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. You
do not need to register in advance. Online
support also on offer. To find out more call
01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

VISIT OF THE RELIC OF ST. BERNADETTE

Tuesday 8th October – Ss. Peter & Paul
Church, Portlaoise. 7am-9pm.

7am Welcoming Ceremony
7.30am Mass / 9.30am Rosary
10am Mass

12 Noon Ritual - Water from the Lourdes Grotto
6.30pm Rosary

7pm Mass with the Anointing of the Sick
9pm Closing Ceremony.

O'DEMPSEY'S GFC NEWS LOTTO RESULTS

Numbers drawn 30th September: 11, 13, 18, 26.
No Jackpot Winner. Match 3 winner: Sean
McCormack. Promoter: Mick Aherne. Next
Draw: Mon. 7th October with a Jackpot of
€2,400. Many thanks for your support.

PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY



Puzzle Club is back!

Join us for a jigsaw morning and a cuppa.
Every Tuesday 10:30am – 12:30pm. New
members very welcome.

Stay Connected:

We will shortly be hosting a new "Stay
Connected" course facilitated by the LOETB.
This course will help you to get the most out of
using your phone or tablet. Details to be
confirmed. For further info. phone 057 8643751
or Email portarlintonlibrary@laoisisco.ie

Halloween Fun

Join us on Thursday 31st October.

Spooky Craft Table

At 11am – while stocks last.

Spooky Storytime

3pm - Join us for a family story-time to get you
in the Halloween mood. Booking advised.

**Climate Action Festival : Cleaner Greener
Home & Garden Workshop**
Friday 18th October at 2:30pm

This is a one hour session where participants
can learn how to make their own cleaning
products that will not damage the environment.
Bring along a container and take home a
sample. Booking essential. Call 057 8643751
or Email portarlintonlibrary@laoisisco.ie

MONTH OF THE ROSARY

OCTOBER



October is the month of the Rosary.
It's a time when we are encouraged to
pray the Rosary as a family.

O'QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY

O'Queen of the Holy Rosary,
each mystery blends with thine,
the sacred life of Jesus,
in every step divine.

Thy soul was His fair garden,
thy virgin breast His throne,
thy thoughts, His faithful mirror,
reflecting Him alone.

O'Queen of the Holy Rosary,
we share thy joy and pain,
and long to see the glory
of Christ's triumphant reign.

Oh, teach us, holy Mary,
to live each mystery,
and gain by patient suffering
the glory won by thee
(EM Shepcote)

PORTARLINGTON RFC

PORT DARA YOUTHS TRAINING

Mondays at Portarlinton RFC
on Lea Road & Wednesdays in
Cill Data 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.

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.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2025/26

Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard
Application forms for Admission to Junior Infants
2025 / 2026 are available from Fri. 25th October
2024. Download from school website
www.killenardschool.weebly.com / collect from
the school office / request by email to
office@naomheoin.ie or phone 057 8626217.
The school will cease accepting applications on
Friday 15th November 2024.

Sacred Heart N.S., Rath

Accepting applications for Junior infants 2025
from Friday 25th October until Friday 15th
November. Application forms are available on
our website www.rathns.ie or from the school
office 057-8626270.

CHI WALKING

Portarlinton People's Park commencing 9th
Oct. at 11.30am. De-stress with this 4 week
programme. Walking, breathing exercises
rounded off with some gentle Tai Chi exercises.
All ages & abilities. Booking is essential.
Check laois.ie or Laois County Council (Laois
connects 2024)

EMO / RATH - PARISH LOTTO

Week No. 1952 – 30th Sept. 2024
Numbers 6, 7, 8, 23 – No jackpot winner.
€25 to each of the following:-
Barry Cardiff c/o Damien Behan / John
Gleeson c/o Emo GAA / Declan O'Mahony
C/o D. Lawlor / Sarah Mohan c/o C. Behan /
Pauline Donagher c/o Ballybrittas Service
Station.
Next draw takes place on 7th October.
with a Jackpot of €3,600.

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

30th Sept. 2024 – Week No. 40
Numbers: 21, 4, 7, 1 – No Jackpot winner.
€50 to each of the following:-
Sam McLoughlin / Jake McLoughlin / Tony
Mullens / Niall Slattery / Gillian Treacy.
Promoter prize: Breda Flanagan.
Next week's Jackpot €3,400

CHECK IT FITS

The RSA's 'Check it Fits' service will be
visiting Supervalu car park, Portarlinton 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



MOUNT ST. ANNE'S, KILLENARD

Job Vacancies - Domestic Assistants
Looking for dynamic and experienced people
to join our Team here at Mount St. Anne's
Centre. Please email your CV to:-
operationsmanager@mountstannes.com

ACTIVE + Retirement Ireland

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

COLLECTORS FOR RATH – OCTOBER Paucic Duffy & John Boland

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE COMMITTEE

Committee Meeting Wed. 9th October in the
Catholic Club, Main Street. Time 8pm.

PORTARLINGTON SCOUT DEN

GoFund me campaign
Our boiler has sadly failed us and in order to
keep our Scouts group going over the winter
months, we need a new heating system. We
kindly ask that you give what you can to
keep our Scout Den open. Donate to
Essential Scout Den Boiler Refit
gofundme.com

SOLAS – LEA ROAD

Vintage & Craft Market – Sun. 6th October
from 11-4pm. Over 25 stalls of home-made
crafts & vintage treasures.
Santa Grotto at Solas now open for bookings