

PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO

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PARISH OFFICE

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Anniversary Masses, Baptisms and Weddings can be booked by contacting the Parish Office during opening hours.

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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 3rd NOVEMBER 2024

Thirty First Sunday in ordinary time

YEAR B

WEEKEND MASSES - PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 2nd November 6.15pm
Lily Maher, Sandy Lane (15th Anniv.)
Matt & Julia Colgan, Annamoe; Norah Earley,
The Boundary, Kilmalogue; Dan & Mary
Gallagher, Treascon & dec. members of the
Gallagher Family; Christy, Paddy & Ned
Whelan, Treascon & dec. members of the
Whelan Family

Sun. 3rd November 12.15pm
Vincent Cryan, Main St. (MM)
Breda O'Connell (nee Dillon), Lansdown (MM)
Michael Rice, Derrymore (3rd Anniv.); Con
Doyle, Garryhinch (3rd Anniv.); Kathleen
Burbage, Main St. & dec. members of the
Burbage Family; Joe Kelly, St. Michael's Park;
Veronica Kiernan, York, UK & formerly Cushina;
Eamon & Kathleen Collier, Station Rd; Mary &
Jim Carroll & dec. members of the Carroll
Family, Bracklone St; Pat & Kate Sherlock &
dec. members of the Sherlock Family, Co.
Monaghan; Daniel & Mary Mulvihill, Droughill;
John & Stella Monaghan, Main St; Michael &
Margaret Dempsey, Cloneyhurke

Sat. 9th November 6.15pm
Maura Leavy (1st Anniv.) & Jackie Leavy, St.
Brigid's Sq; Bridget Maguire (nee Mooney),
Mullingar & Kilbride House (1st Anniv.); Michael
& Annie Boylan, Marian Hill & dec. members of
the Boylan Family; Paddy Boylan, Spa St;
James, Mary & Esther Kavanagh, Lough
Cottage & dec. members of the Kavanagh
Family; Daniel & Eileen Allman & son, John Joe
Allman, St. Mary's Tce; Ellen Oakley, St. Mary's
Tce.; Paddy & Margaret Oakley; Rosie Carroll,
St. Brigid's Sq. (21st Anniv.)

Sun. 10th November 12.15pm
Rose Fogarty, Avondale (4th Anniv.); Mary
(Molly) Douglas, Bishopswood; Tom & Lillie
Coogan, Arlington Est; Rita Quinn, Kilbride;
Rosie Carroll, St. Brigid's Sq. (21st Anniv.)
Thomas, Kathleen & Oswald Mc Grath, Dec.
members of the McGrath Family, Closeland;
John & Ida Maher, Treascon

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES



Rosary & Blessing of Graves will take place
TODAY, SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER
Blessing will take place as follows:-
Killenard Cemetery after the 10.30am Mass
St. Michael's Cemetery, Portarlinton at 3pm

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sun. 3rd November 10.30am
Sean Phelan, Fisherstown (1st Anniv.)
Patrick Deffew, Garryvacum; Sally Dalton;
James Kearney, Ballybrittas; Kathleen Kearney,
Ballybrittas; Kathleen Malone (nee Kearney),
Rosecourt; Mary & John Kiernan, Ballycarroll;
Daughter in Law, Veronica Kiernan, U.K.
Liam McCormack, Lea; Tom & Jimmy
McCormack, Lea;
Paddy & Rose Murphy, 'Emmaus', Killenard,

Sun. 10th November 10.30am
William (Billy) O'Leary, Killenure; Margaret
Jones, Foxcroft Avenue; Michael & Michael
Meehan, Tierhogar; Tony Jones, Wales
John & Ida Maher, Treascon

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 4th Nov. ---
Tues. 5th Nov. ---
Wed. 6th Nov. ---
Thurs. 7th Nov. Joe Brennan, Kilbride &
deceased members of the Brennan Family
Fri. 8th Nov. ---

ANNIVERSARIES EMO

Sat. 2nd November 7.30pm
Johnny & Phil Rowe, Ballybrittas; Valerie
Carroll, Killimy; John O'Flynn, Barna (7th Anniv.)
& his Daughter Dee Keogh, New Inn, Emo
Sun. 3rd November 11am

Sat. 9th November 7.30pm

Sun. 10th November 11am
Paddy Sheridan, Emo Park (4th Anniv.)

ANNIVERSARIES RATH

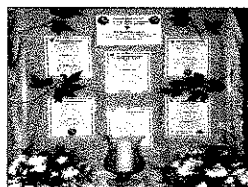
Sun. 3rd November 9am
Dan Donohue, Jamestown
Deceased members of Courtwood G.A.A.
Tommy Donohue, Rath; Peter O'Connell,
Kylaglush
Sun. 10th November 9am
Brigid Fitzgerald, Rath (31st Anniv.)

THE PLEDGE Month of November

A short-term pledge gives spiritual support &
encouragement to people & their families who
are living under a shadow of addiction.
Contact the Pioneers on 01 8054226 or through
www.pioneers.ie/pray.

ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT MASS

Remembering our departed
relatives and friends.



Those who have died in the parish during
the year, and their families, will be
remembered at Mass on Fri. 22nd Nov. in
St. Michael's Church, Portarlinton & on Sat.
23rd Nov. in St. Paul's Church, Emo at
7.30pm. A family member will be invited to
light a candle in their memory.

You are invited to place the names of your
loved ones on our **Memorial Tree**.

A Bereavement Book is available in all the
Churches, where you can write the names of
family members who have died.

DEAD LIST

If you wish to enrol your loved ones on
the Dead List to be remembered at
Masses during the year, an envelope is
available in your development box or in
the Church porch.

CONFIRMATION 2025 Meeting with Parents

Meetings with parents/guardians of children
who wish to receive the Sacrament of
Confirmation in 2025 will take place next
week as follows:-

Scoil Naomh Eoin, Killenard:
Mon. 4th Nov. at 7pm in Scoil Naomh
Eoin hall.
**St. Paul's N.S., Emo & Sacred Heart
N.S., Rath**
Tues. 5th Nov. at 7pm in St. Paul's
School hall, Emo.
**Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road; Presentation
Primary School & Cloneyhurke NS**
Wed. 6th Nov. at 7pm in Scoil Phadraig,
Canal Road.

KANDLE - LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY

Kildare & Leighlin Diocese

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY?

The Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin is delighted to
present our LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY
PROGRAMME, developed in partnership with
St. Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth
(SPPU) & Mount Saint Anne's Conference &
Retreat Centre. This comprehensive training
initiative aims to equip Lay Leaders with the
essential skills required to serve as Lay Pastoral
Ministers within Parishes & Pastoral areas. To
find out more, please attend one of the
information events being held throughout the
Diocese. All meetings commence at 7.30pm
with tea & coffee from 7.15pm.

Wed. 6th Nov. Solas Bhríde, Kildare Town
Thur. 14th Nov. Mount Saint Anne's, Killenard

Further information from Patrick Roche,
Diocesan Director of Parish Development,
Phone 083 8305681 or Email
parishdevelopment@kandle.ie.

PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY

Stay and Play with National Action Plan for
Childminding: Tues. 12th Nov. 3.30-5pm.
Suitable for children aged 2-8pm. An action-
packed morning with lots of activities for your
little ones. Further info. from Darina 085
1703772.

Ask the Paediatric Dietitian: Join us for a
webinar Wed. 13th Nov. with Cathy Monaghan, a
Senior Paediatric Dietitian with Children's
Health Ireland, either online or at Portarlinton
Library at 12.30pm. To register for this event
and/or to submit your questions, please Email
portarlintonlibrary@laoisccoco.ie to obtain a link
or to book a place.

Food and Mood Workshop: Practical insights
into how our diet influences our mood / overall
wellbeing. Take home resource will be provided
which will include a summary of the workshop
and a recipe booklet. Taking place Tues. 26th
Nov. in Portarlinton Library from 6.30-7.30pm.
Phone 057 8643751 to book or Email
portarlintonlibrary@laoisccoco.ie or register at
this link <https://tinyurl.com/3dns652c>

Puzzle Club is back! Jigsaw mornings
Tuesdays 10.30-12.30 New member's welcome.
Knitting Club: Friday mornings from 10.30am-
12.30. All skill levels welcome.

Sensory Toy Resource Collection: A service
for parents of children with additional needs who
live in Laois. The toys are designed to support
the development of gross motor skills, fine
motor skills and communication skills. More
details and the catalogue can be found here
: <https://laois.ie/wp-content/uploads/Laois-Library-Sensory-Toy-Booklet.pdf>

Laois Libraries Online Book Club – Read one
book per month chosen from BorrowBox
collection. Join us last Wed. each month when
questions are posed for discussion on our Book
Club Facebook page. This month we are
reading *Conversations with Friends* by Sally
Rooney - Available to download in audio and
Ebook format on Borrowbox.

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

At Suaimhneas, Emo – Thurs. November 14th,
21st & 28th. 7.30-8.30pm. Tues. November
19th, 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, 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



We welcome into the Parish Christian
Community through Baptism:-
Aoibhe Kate Carney, Tierhogar
Erin Sarah Walsh, Clondoolusk

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.

YOGA & MASSAGE CLASSES



Mum & Baby Yoga: Monday's at 10.30am.
Baby Massage Classes: Next class
commences Mon. 4th Nov. at 12 Noon.
Pregnancy Yoga: Next term starts Wed. 6th
Nov. at 7pm. No yoga experience is needed.
All classes below take place in Portarlinton
Community Centre. Booking essential.
Contact Catriona on 086 8890005.

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, artisanal 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.

PROGRAMME FOR MEN



De La Salle Centre, Castletown R32N6D8
Fri. 15th – Sun. 17th Nov. 2024

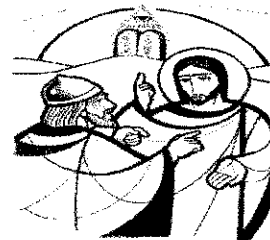
Are you feeling trapped, aimless or "stuck" in
life? Are you tired of running into brick walls or
up endless kil-de-sacs? MALEs (Men as
Learners & Elders) Ireland are running a
weekend programme (either day or residential)
for men like you in Castletown, beginning with
evening meal at 6pm on 15th Nov. & concluding
with Sunday lunch at 1pm (Sun. 17th Nov.).
Further info. check out malesireland website
<https://www.malesireland.ie/samhain-24/> or text
Ken at 087 1763729 for further details.

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

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.

EMO ART & CRAFT FAIR CRAFT FAIR

This year's Craft Fair will take place in Emo
Community Centre on Sunday 17th November
11.30 to 5pm. If anyone is interested in
exhibiting contact Stephanie on 0868378659.



EMO / RATH - PARISH LOTTO

Next draw will take place Mon. 4th next,
November with a Jackpot of €4,200.



GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

28th Oct. 2024 - Week number 44.
Numbers 1, 10, 2, 21 – No jackpot winner.
€50 to each of the following:-
Direens; Mick Flanagan; Melanie Broderick;
Colin Hanlon; Sean Byrne. Promoter prize:
Tom Garry. Next week's Jackpot €4,200.

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
Monday to Friday 9.30am till 1.30pm.
Only 8 places are available, for more info
contact amy@laoisleisure.ie for more details.

CONVERSATIONAL IRISH GROUP

Conversational Irish group will meet
each Wednesday for the month of November
6th, 13th, 20th & 27th from 7.30pm to 9pm in
the old school, Vicarstown. Fáilte le cách.

FLOWER ARRANGING



*In aid of the Church of the Ascension
Rathdaire.*

This event takes place Wed. 13th Nov.
commencing 7.30pm in the Fisherman's Inn,
Ballybrittas. Admission €10.
Contact 086 3009014 for tickets.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT

New members, both men and women, over
the age of 55 are always welcome. Call in
and have a chat. Every Thursday 2-4pm in
Sandra's Studio at Portarlinton Community
Centre. Contact 087 4460151 for further
information.

TIDY TOWNS

Just a reminder that Portarlinton is a
"poster free town". All posters can be placed
outside the speed limits on the entrance
roads to the town.

O'DEMPSEY'S G.F.C.

NEWS

Lotto Results:

29th Oct. Numbers drawn: 4, 17, 20, 28.
Jackpot Winner: None. Match 3 Winners
(Win/Share €200): Willie Bannon. Promoter:
Noel Byrne. Congratulations to this week's
winners. Next Draw: Monday, 4th Nov. with a
Jackpot of €3,200.

AGM:

The club's AGM will be held at the
Clubhouse on Sat., 9th Nov. at 8pm. All
members are encouraged to attend. Any
questions, contact our Secretary Barry
Finlay secretary.odempseys.laois@gaa.ie or
text 087-7707511.

Social Cards Night @ The Old Poudre:
Social Cards Night starting at O'Dempsey's
Clubhouse on Thursday nights.
Starting Thursday, 7th November, from
7.30pm. All welcome and beginners
encouraged. Instruction and guidance will be
given.