

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.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington



Portarlington & Emo Parish
 @EmoParish

SUNDAY 16th JUNE 2024

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Fathers Day - Day for Life

YEAR B

WEEKEND MASSES PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 15th June 6.15pm
 Jim & Lena Whelan, Droughill; Michael & Mary Milner, Lough; Margaret & John Delaney, Lough, Carmel Moriarty, Patrick Street; Mary Broderick, Main St. (15th Anniv.); Dec. members of the Dunne & Carey Families, Cloneyquinn

Sun. 16th June 12.15pm
 Michael Corcoran, Corrig & dec. members of the Corcoran Family; Bridie, Dan & Kevin Coogan & dec. members of the Coogan Family; Johnny Ward (36th Anniv.); Betty Ward, Bracklone St. & their son, Philip Ward, Ballymorris Manor; Garry Keogh, Patrick Street

Sat. 22nd June 6.15pm
 John Kennedy, Church View (2nd Anniv.)
 Ciaran Orange, Canal Road (3rd Anniv.)
 Sean McEvoy, St. Patrick's Tce. (4th Anniv.)
 Kathleen Donagher, Bishopswood Rd. (5th Anniv.); Mary Fallon, St. Joseph's Tce. (9th Anniv.); Lill & Mick Murphy, St. Michael's Park; John Murphy, Cloneygowan; Kathleen & Harry Murphy, St. Michael's Park

Sun. 23rd June 12.15pm
 Gerard (Gerry) Conway, Avondale (1st Anniv.)
 Ena Moran (16th Anniv.), Droughill & dec. members of the Nelligan Family, Monasterevin

ANNIVERSARIES KILLENARD

Sun. 16th June 10.30am
 Jimmy O'Leary, Sandy Lane, Killenard
 Michael Carroll, Clonanny House,
 Paul Carroll (B/Day Rem.)

Sun. 23rd June 10.30am
 Sean Connell, Avondale
 Tom, Sheila & Elizabeth Kavanagh, Lough
 Mary Kiernan, Crowe Lane

DECEASED

Please pray for the following who died during the week:

Martin Walsh, Whitefields
James (Jim) Whelehan, Timahoe & formerly Closelands, Ballybrittas.
 Requiem Mass will be celebrated for Jim at 2pm in Saint Michael's Church, Timahoe.
 Interment to follow in Ratheniska Cemetery.

ANNIVERSARIES EMO

Sat. 15th June 7.30pm
 Una Moore, Morette (13th Anniv.)
 Philomena Scully, Coolaghy (33rd Anniv.)
 Sheila Gorman, Woodbrook
 Elizabeth Keegan, Coolbanagher (2nd Anniv.)
 Thomas Keegan & Denis Keegan

Sun. 16th June 11am
 Nuala Burns, Ballybrittas & Monkstown Farm, Dublin

Sat. 22nd June 7.30pm
 Liam Murphy, Morette

Sun. 23rd June 11am

ANNIVERSARIES RATH

Sun. 16th June 9am
 Michael Dunne, Courtwood; Betty O'Connor, Courtwood; Edward O'Connell, Courtwood
 John & Ellen Deegan, The Derries, their Daughter Margaret Deegan; Molly Deegan

Sun. 23rd June 9am
 Jack O'Connell, Coolroe
 Michael Mulhare, Courtwood (2nd Anniv.)

WEEK DAY ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON 17th - 21st June

Mon. 17th June Martina Rogers, Bracknagh
 Tues 18th June Mairead Kennedy, Kilmalogue (B/Day Remembrance)
 Wed. 19th June Ciss & George Dunne, Dublin & dec. members of the Dunne & Hopkins Families
 Thurs. 20th June Fr. Noonan's Platinum Jubilee
 Fri. 21st June Jim & Edward Westman

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.

CEMETERY MASSES 2024

Killenard – Fri. 5th July – 7.30pm
 Portarlington – Fri. 12th July – 7.30pm
 Emo New Cemetery – Fri. 26th Jul – 7.30pm

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Christian Community through Baptism

PORTARLINGTON PARISH
 Geordi Thomas O'Connor, Garryvacum
 Callum Riley Speirs, St. Joseph's Terrace & Canada

PLATINUM JUBILEE 70 Years

Congratulations to Fr. Michael Noonan who celebrates his Platinum (70 years) Jubilee of ordination to the Priesthood on Thursday next, 20th June. Bishop Denis Nulty will celebrate the 10am Mass on Thursday next to honour the Jubilee. All are welcome to attend at the Mass. Refreshments afterwards at Portarlington Golf Club, Garryhinch.

PORTARLINGTON CONCERT BAND Summer Concert

Today (Sun. 16th June)
 In St. Michael's Church, Portarlington commencing 3.30pm.
 Beginner's Band / Junior Band / Senior Band / Drum Corps. Subscription €10.
 Funds in aid of St. Michael's Parish.

HAPPY FATHERS DAY



A rock of strength to lean upon
 In time of joy or stress;
 An understanding, loyal soul,
 A heart of tenderness.
 A mind all wisdom
 Knowing how justice & love blend;
 A teacher, loving, patient, kind,
 My Father and my friend.

SUMMER SOCIAL

Portarlington Community Centre
 Sunday 30th June from 3-6pm. Dancing with Louie & Ruth (UNITY). Refreshments served. Admission €10. All are very welcome.

CLIMBING CROAGH PATRICK



Once again, Pat Burbage will climb Croagh Patrick on Mon. 8th July with a group. If you would like to climb, then call into Pat at his shop on Main Street or contact him on 087 7716244. Proceeds will go to Portarlington Meals on Wheels. If you can take a sponsor card, they will be available during the week.

ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB. CLONEYHURKE R32CY89

Social Dance will take place on Sat. 22nd June. Dancing with Christy and Plan-B. Doors open 9pm. Admission €10. Refreshments served.
Keep Fit on Wednesday & Friday nights with Eimear from 7-8pm. Friday nights sponsored by Offaly Sports Partnership.
Dancing Lessons – Continues every Thursday night with Noeleen from 7.30pm to 9pm with all kinds of dancing.

C.E. VACANCIES

Environmental Worker
 Ref. 2337691 – Amenity Areas Cleaner
Ref. 2337696 – Community Centre Payroll & Accounts Administrator
Ref. 2337692 – CE Office Maintenance Worker
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ARLINGTON UNDER 8's RECRUITMENT

"Players must be born 2016 or 2017"
 The under 8's team are hoping to enter a second team in the league & are looking for new players and new coaches to come in and help out. If interested contact Barry Murphy on 087187494.

ALL IRELAND POLLINATOR PLAN FOR JUNE

Our Bees and other pollinating insects are in trouble. The good news is that you can help by making your garden pollinator friendly. Every garden, no matter its size, can be a haven for hungry pollinators. Download the set of pollinator friendly garden guidelines www.pollinators.ie



A dedicated day celebrating the beauty & dignity of all human life.

Day for Life Sunday is celebrated annually with a special message by the Catholic Church across Ireland, Scotland, England & Wales. It is a day specifically dedicated to raising awareness & reflecting on the deep value & meaning of human life at every stage, and in every condition. Today, Sun. 16th June, the Church will mark Day for Life 2024 with a message on the same theme: The Lord is my shepherd – Compassion & Hope at the End of Life.

This year's message reminds us that Jesus did not send the sick away, rather He showed that life always has dignity & that there is no such a thing as a useless life. Catholics are called to defend this gift of life to its natural end & to protect vulnerable citizens from a culture that could pressure them into assisted suicide. In this way, we are encouraged to support people with the companionship of a listening ear, appropriate treatment & the best of care, so that their last days can be times of grace, intimacy & love. The Day for Life message is available on <https://councilforlife.ie/day-for-life-2024/>

RALLY FOR LIFE 2024

Ireland's largest annual pro-life march takes place Saturday, 6th July 2024 at 1.30pm Parnell Square, Dublin. Contact 01-8730465 to book a seat on a rally bus from your area. See www.rallyforlife.net and www.thelifeinstitute.net/rally2024 for more information.

PORTARLINGTON LIBRARY EVENTS

Cruinniú na nÓg
 Booking essential call 057 8643751 or email portarlingtonlibrary@laoisccoco.ie
Toddler Story-time with Sarah Sparkles
 Join us for a fun filled story-time suitable for children aged 0-4 years Booking essential.
 Book online here <https://bit.ly/459zGJU>
Refugee Week 17th - 23rd June
Tidy Town Clean Up: Starting from the library on Wed. 19th June 10am Refreshments will be served in the library after the clean up.
Human Library-Friday 21st June 11am-1pm
 This is an opportunity to speak & share with people with different lived experiences. We are looking for volunteers who are willing to share their story on the morning. Booking above.

OUTDOOR SURVIVAL SKILLS CAMP



Location: Derrynouce, Portarlington
Day 1 (Ages 10-14yrs) Participants will experience Team Building Games. Wild lessons (fire building and outdoor cooking) Shelter Building and Nature Trail and Foraging.
Day 2 (Ages 15yrs-19yrs) Participants will experience Team Building Games. Wilderness Survival Challenge (Fire, Shelter and First Aid) Wilderness First Aid, Nature Wellness and Meditation, Water Crossing.
 Tuesday 13th August (Ages 10yrs -14yrs)
 Wednesday 14th August (Ages 15yrs-19yrs)
 Time Meet at 9:45am / Start at 10am to 2pm.
 Cost €20 per child. Registration via Laois Sport Partnership Eventbrite
<https://www.eventbrite.ie/.../laois-sports-partnership> or contact Liam on 086 0111722.

EMO - RATH PARISH LOTTO

Mon. 10th – Week No. 1237
 Numbers 2, 15, 18, 22 – No jackpot winner
 €25 to each of the following:-
 M. O'Reilly C/o B. Gorman / Elizabeth Flynn
 C/o Maeve / Christine Ryan C/o Maeve /
 Cormac Brophy C/o B. Gorman / Pat
 Keegan C/o Deirdre. Next Jackpot €2,200.
 Draw will take place on Mon. 17th June.

GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

10th June – Week No. 24.
 Numbers 25, 20, 22, 17 – No jackpot winner.
 €50 to each of the following:-
 Orlaith Smith / James Grehan / Fiona
 Cooper / Liam Cullen / Liz Broughan.
 Promoter Prize: Breda Flanagan
 Next week's jackpot €14,800

EMO / RATH LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

August 25th until 29th August 2024. Hotel Roissy. Cost €735 per person sharing.
 Further details & booking:- Contact Tony on 086 1225833 or Deirdre on 087 2299457.

SUMMER CAMP

Scoil Phadraig – 30th July – 2nd August & 6th – 9th August. Activities include: Sport, Baking, Arts & Crafts, Yoga & Music. Times 9.30am – 2pm. €70 (sibling discounts available).
 Further info: sumercampport@gmail.com. Please note this is a private run camp0. ran by teachers in the school, but is not affiliated with Scoil Phadraig.

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

O'Dempsey's Lotto Results
 Numbers drawn on the 10th June: 02, 14, 18, 25. No Jackpot Winner. Match 3s: Larry Keogh c/o Tom Coleman, Caitriona Finlay.
 Promoter Prize: Jacqueline McCormack.
 Next Draw: Monday 17th June with a jackpot of €8,200. Thanks for your support with this club fundraiser.

LEARN TO DANCE

Improve your fitness levels.
Waltzing & Line Dancing
 Portarlington Community Centre every Tuesday from 1pm to 2pm. Meet new friends, attend social events, improve your fitness, health and wellbeing. Further details contact Dolores on 086 4518840 or just turn up on the day. €10 per class. Pay as you go.

LIFT TO MASS NEEDED!



Would anyone living on the Whitefields Estate, and who attends the 12.15pm Mass in St. Michael's Church regularly, be willing to give an elderly gentleman a lift to Mass for the Sunday's of July only please?
 If you are available, please phone 086 8869125 for more details.

FISHERSTOWN TRACTOR RUN



Fisherstown Tractor & Truck Run takes place on SUNDAY 7th JULY 2024 AT 11AM at the Final Furlong, Ballybrittas. Proceeds in aid of Breast Cancer in conjunction with The Cuisle Centre. All lorries, tractors & vintage cars welcome. Food & music all day. Music on the night by Garth Brooks Tribute Band.