

# PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO



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## PARISH OFFICE

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## MASS TIMES

### St. Michael's Church, Portarlington

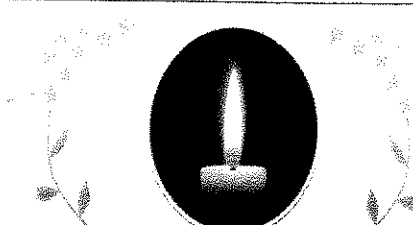
10am Daily Mass (Monday – Friday)  
6.15pm (Vigil – Sat.), 9am & 12.15pm Sunday

### 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.mcniive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington](http://www.mcniive/camera/st-michaels-church-portarlington)



Portarlington & Emo Parish  
@EmoParish

## SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2024

## Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Year B

### WEEKEND MASSES - PORTARLINGTON

#### Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> September 6.15pm

Caitlin Whelan, Glasnevin (M.M.)  
Mary Knight, St. Joseph's Tce. (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)  
Sr. Agnes Kelly, Mullagh, Co Clare &  
Portarlington (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.); Mary (Maisie)  
Curtayne, St. Mary's Tce. (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.); Anne &  
Jim Keogh, Assumpta Tce; Peter & John  
(Jacko) Murphy; Laura (Marian) Byrne (nee  
Greene) 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; Frank Gorman, The  
Borress; Michael Moore, St. Michael's Park

#### Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> September 12.15pm

William (Willie) Higgins & his father Terry  
Higgins, The Deanery, Main St; Patrick & Dora  
McNamara, Bishopswood Road; Fintan Maher,  
Dublin & Gracefield; Brendan, Mabel, Dolores  
& Ann McMahon; Larry Farrell; Mary Donagher  
Pete McLaughlin, Kilmaogue Downs; Noel  
Hennessy, Bishopswood; Edward, Maisie, Joe,  
Eamonn & Dessie Shortall; Carmel Keogh (nee  
Shortall); Phyllis Hallissey (nee Shortall), St.  
Michael's Park.

#### Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> September 6.15pm

Joan & Ronnie Halsall; Philomena (Ena)  
Gaffney, Main Street

#### Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> September 12.15pm

Jack Kenny Station Rd (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)  
Harry Levio, Kilnacourt Woods (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.)  
Tom O'Shea, Arlington Estate.

### ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

#### Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am

Caitlin Whelan, Glasnevin (M.M.);  
Marie & Leo Levin; Molly Kavanagh, Lough

#### Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am

Joe O'Neill, Rosecourt (M.M.)  
Christina Keogh, Rathleash

### DECEASED

Prayers are requested for the following, who  
died recently:

Thomas Fingleton, Shandra  
Sean O'Reilly, Pinevilla & formerly Clontarf  
Patricia (Patty) Carty, Walsh Island

### BAPTISMS - EMO PARISH

We welcome into our Christian Community

Gael Christopher O'Shea-Hoey, Coolaghy

### 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.

### ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

#### Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm

George Horne, Carn (19<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
Ned & Beth Bailey, Cappakeel; Deceased  
members of the Bailey Family

#### Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> September 11am

Bridie Hyland, The Sawmills, Ballybrittas  
(1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.);

#### Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm

#### Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> September 11am

Martha Morrin, Coolbanagher (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)  
Gavin Keegan, Botley Court & Emo (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

### ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

#### Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> September 9am

Deceased members & relatives of  
"The Fisherman's Bridge Club";  
Christy Noons, Jamestown (9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  
Michael Flynn, Fisherstown  
Nan Kinsella, Fisherstown (23<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.)  
Deceased members of the Kinsella, Dunne  
& Walsh Families; Mary Whelan, Ballyadden  
Lane; Deceased members of the Whelan &  
Kiernan Families

### WEEK DAY ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 9<sup>th</sup> Sept: Ciss Lawlor, Rosecourt  
Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept: Liam Tynan, Gracefield &  
formerly Dublin  
Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> Sept: Nora Kelly, St. Patrick's Tce;  
Sarah & William Kelly, St. Patrick's Tce.  
Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup> Sept: Patrick Dunne, Lansdowne  
Court (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)

### FEAST DAYS

Mon. 9<sup>th</sup> Sept. – St. Ciaran of Clonmacnoise  
Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. – St. Peter Claver  
Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. – The Most Holy Name of  
Mary / St. Ailbe (Cashel & Emily)  
Fri. 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. – St. John Chrysostom

### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September

✠ The Exaltation of the Holy Cross ✠  
The discovery of the True Cross is dated to  
14<sup>th</sup> September 320. On 13<sup>th</sup> September 335,  
the churches on Calvary were dedicated & the  
cross that St Helena discovered was venerated  
there the next day. The annual commemoration  
of that event has been celebrated since, in  
praise of the redemption won for us by Christ.

### COMMUNION CALLS NOTICE



The Communion calls to the sick and the  
housebound will take place next week  
as follows:-

#### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Congress Tce, Derrymore, Crowe Lane;  
Canal Road, St. Brigid's Square;  
Kilbride, Deerpark; Corrig, Lea

#### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Tullaghan, Bellgrove; Fisherstown; Jamestown;  
Ballycullane; Tinnakill; Knightstown; Killimy;  
Coolbanagher; Ballintogher

#### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September

St. Patricks Tce; St. Joseph's Tce; Avondale;  
Shandra; Annamoe; Patrick Avenue; Church  
View; Patrick St; French Church St; Rosecourt;  
Foxcroft Court; Botley Court; Droughill;  
Clondoolusk; Droughill Lawns; Cushina

### ANNUAL PRIESTS COLLECTION

The Autumn collection for the Priests of the  
Parish will take place this  
weekend (7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> September).  
This collection is one of the  
five times during the year you  
contribute directly to the  
support of the priests.  
Envelopes for the collection are in envelope  
boxes or available at Church Porch.

### VISIT OF THE RELIC OF CARLOS ACUTIS

The relics of Carlo Acutis will visit the  
Church of St's Peter & Paul, Portlaoise on  
Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> & Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup>  
September. Wed. 7pm –  
Reception of the Relics with  
talk on the life of Blessed  
Carlo by Fr. Marco (Parish  
Priest of Assisi). Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup>  
& Fri. 13<sup>th</sup>. Masses 7.30am,  
10am & 11.30am. Bishop  
Denis will celebrate the 10am Mass on  
Thurs. 3pm Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – Farewell.



## WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY

Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024

The theme for World Suicide Prevention Day  
for 2024-2026 is "Changing the Narrative on  
Suicide" with the call to action "Start the  
Conversation". This theme aims to raise  
awareness about the importance of reducing  
stigma and encouraging open conversations to  
prevent suicides.

World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD) was  
established in 2003 by the International  
Association for Suicide Prevention in  
conjunction with the World Health Organization  
(WHO). The 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. each year aims to focus  
attention on the issue, reduces stigma and  
raises awareness among organizations,  
governments, and the public, giving a singular  
message that suicides are preventable.

### Prayer

Lord God, be with all those who have  
struggled with suicidal thinking,  
who have lost a loved one to suicide, and  
those who need support.  
Be with them. Help them to know  
that they are not alone, that they are loved, and  
that they have places to  
turn when they're in need.  
Lord in your mercy... Hear our prayer.

### SUAIMHNEAS - CAPPAKEEL, EMO

#### Praying with Creation

Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024

#### Mindfulness Meditation

Tues. 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> September from 2.30pm  
to 4pm followed by refreshments.

Booking essential – Phone Anne on  
087 8070140 (Suaimhneas, Cappakeel, Emo)



### Supporting bereaved parents

Anam Cara Midlands is holding its monthly  
Parent Evening for bereaved parents  
on Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 7.15pm in the Mullingar  
Park Hotel. This event is free and open to all  
bereaved parents regardless of the age your  
child died, the circumstances of their death, or  
whether their death was recent or not. Online  
services also available. Ph: 01 4045378

### VISIT OF THE RELIC OF ST. BERNADETTE

In Sept. & Oct. this year, the relics of Saint  
Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to Ireland  
for the very first time, visiting every diocese in  
the country. This very special, once in a lifetime  
event will provide an opportunity for people of all  
ages and backgrounds to experience the  
special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in their  
diocese. The relics will visit Kildare & Leighlin  
this October on the 7<sup>th</sup> in Carlow Cathedral and  
on the 8<sup>th</sup> in Portlaoise Parish. Further details  
relating to the visit will follow shortly.

### O'DEMPSEY'S G.F.C. LOTTO

#### RESULTS

Numbers drawn 2<sup>nd</sup> September: 1,3,6,16.  
No Jackpot Winner. Match 3 winners: Padraig &  
Jeanne Mahon, Catherine Murphy, John  
Brereton. Promoter: Tony Kavanagh.  
Next Draw: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept., with a Jackpot of  
€1,600. Thanks for your support.

### ZUMBA DANCE FITNESS CLASS

Killenard Community Centre commencing  
Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. 7pm. Please book as soon as  
possible - 086 3655333.

## PORTARLINGTON COMHALTAS CEOLTOIRI

### EIREANN

Go raibh mile maith agat to the parishioners of  
Portarlington & Emo Parish their generosity at  
the recent church gate collection. Amount raised  
€830, which will help us continue to support our  
work teaching and promoting Irish traditional  
music & culture in the parish.

### Comhaltas Music Classes

commence in St. Michael's Girls Old School,  
Patrick St. on Fri. 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. 7.30-8.30 for  
Registration. Instruments include Tin Whistle,  
Fiddle, Button Accordion, Concertina, Flute,  
Banjo, Keyboard & Guitar. Formal group  
classes for beginners, immediate, senior level &  
adults begin on Fri. 27<sup>th</sup> Sept. 7-9pm.

We look forward to seeing faces old and new.  
For more info. contact Davin 086 2260782 /  
Edel 083 0805012 [portarlingtoncce@gmail.com](mailto:portarlingtoncce@gmail.com)

### ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

#### The Legion of Mary

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September from Portlaoise.  
Collecting at 9am Lyster Square, Portlaoise &  
9.15am Mountmellick Square. Further info.  
& booking contact Una on 086-2392997

### 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.

### ST. BRIGID'S SOCIAL CLUB,

#### CLONEYHURKE - R32 CY89

Social Dance: The next Social Dance is on  
Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> September. Dancing to Solitaire.  
Doors open at 9pm. Admission: €10.  
Refreshments served.

Keep Fit: Wednesday nights with Eimer  
from 7-8pm. €5 per session.

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

Thanks: Just a word of THANKS to all the  
people who supported the Auction held on  
Sunday last to raise funds for the hall. It was  
extremely successful and we thank our many  
sponsors, the people who supplied all the food  
and also Noeleen and all the dancers who  
helped to finish off a great evening. Sincerest  
thanks to anyone who helped in any way makes  
this event such a great success.

### ADULT LITERACY FOR LIFE (ALL)

Do you or a family member need to improve  
your reading, writing, maths or digital skills?  
We can help. All courses are free.  
Contact: Laois Adult Learning Service  
(LOETB) 057 866 1338 or Offaly Adult Learning  
Service (LOETB) 057 934 9444 or  
freephone 1800 20 20 65 or  
email [tiatham@loetb.ie](mailto:tiatham@loetb.ie)

### GARRYHINCH BRIDGE CLUB

Bridge resumes on Mon. 16<sup>th</sup> September in  
Garryhinch Golf Club at 7.30pm.  
New members welcome.

### GRANDPARENTS FAITH CAFE

The Grandparents' Faith Café will open again  
on Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. online via Zoom. The  
Grandparents' Faith Café welcomes Archbishop  
Thomas Wenski with the theme: "All families -  
nuclear, extended, broken or blended - are  
called to be holy places when God lives with his  
people". If you have any queries about the  
Faith Café please email us on:  
[info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.com](mailto:info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.com).

## EMO

### RATH PARISH LOTTO

2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. 2024 – Week No. 1948  
Numbers 6, 9, 11, 14 – No jackpot winner.  
€25 each to: Peadar & Joe C/o B. Gorman  
Rhonda Mulhall C/o Emo GAA  
Annemarie Burke C/o Emo GAA  
Ischa Brophy C/o Deirdre  
Liz Booth C/o B. Gorman  
Next draw takes place on Mon. 9<sup>th</sup>  
September with a Jackpot of €2,800.

### GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. – Week No. 36. Numbers 4, 3, 6,  
24 – No jackpot winner. €50 each to:-  
Quentin Fanning / Stephen Byrne / Mary  
McEvoy / Shirley Luttrell-Dempsey / David  
Dunne. Promoter prize: Colette O'Reilly.  
Next week's Jackpot €2,600.

### PORTARLINGTON BRIDGE CLUB



Bridge resumes on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
September in Garryhinch Golf Club at  
7.30pm. New members welcome.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Portarlington Meals on Wheels are looking  
for Volunteer drivers to deliver our dinners.  
We deliver 3 days a week: Tuesday,  
Thursday & Saturday. You will be required  
for one of these days once every 4 to 5  
weeks. If you can help, please contact  
Ann Dunne (Secretary) at 087-4116101  
Or e-mail [anmdun@hotmail.com](mailto:anmdun@hotmail.com).

### BINGO

Portarlington Social Services senior citizen's  
bingo will return on Wednesday Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>  
at 8pm. All very welcome.

### SOLAS

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September (today)  
Clothes Swap event 11-2pm, also  
Denim Up-cycling Workshop for kids 2pm.  
You can drop your clothes in SOLAS  
anytime before the event. Handmade  
Candles, Dolls, Face Painting, Children  
Pictures and a Raffle.

### STUDY THEOLOGY ONLINE

The Priory Institute provides online Theology  
courses to degree level. Attend Saturday  
lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of  
your own home. Register before Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>.  
[prioryinstitute.com](http://prioryinstitute.com).

### BASKETBALL

U.14 & U. 16 girls basketball Training every  
Wed. night in Colaiste Iosagain 8-9.30pm.  
All welcome.

### LINE DANCING - BEGINNERS

Thurs. from 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. 7.30 – 9pm. Ten  
classes for €80 – Portarlington Community  
Centre. Phone John on 086 8333200.

### C.E. VACANCIES

#### PORTARLINGTON

Environmental Workers x 2  
Amenity Areas Ref.2350026  
Cleaner x 1  
Community Centre Ref. 2350032  
Maintenance Worker x 1  
Leisure Centre Ref.2346583  
Maintenance Worker x 1  
Enterprise Centre Ref. 2346584  
Sports Grounds Person x 1  
Arlington Soccer Club – 2346586  
Office Administrator (Payroll & Accounts)  
CE Office – Ref. 2351399  
Vacancies are advertised on [jobsireland.ie](http://jobsireland.ie)