



PARISHES OF PORTARLINGTON & EMO

PRIESTS PHONE NUMBERS

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PARISH OFFICE

Tel: 057 8643004 - Email: portarlingtonparishoffice@eircom.net / Parish Office Hours: 9.30am – 1.30pm Mon. – Fri.
Anniversary Masses, Baptisms and Weddings can be booked by contacting the Parish Office during opening hours.

DIOCESE www.kandle.ie **SAMARITANS 24-hour helpline:** 116 123 Email: jo@samaritans.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 087 7640557 **AWARE** Lo-call Helpline 1890 303 302 **G.R.O.W.** www.grow.ie Info: 1890 474 474

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: Jackie McNulty; Frances O'Dwyer; Mary Joyce; Clare Nerney

Ailish Higgins – Diocesan Director of Safeguarding - Tel: 085-8021633 dlp@kandle.ie / E-mail safeguarding@kandle.ie

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

SUN. 15th JUNE 2025

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - Day for Life

YEAR C

Fathers' Day

WEEKEND MASSES - PORTARLINGTON

Sat. 14th June 6.15pm

John Kennedy, Church View (3rd Anniv.);
Mary Broderick, Main Street (16th Anniv.);
Michael & Mary Milner, Lough; Margaret & John
Delaney, Lough; Teresa Holt, Kildare & daughter
Lauren Holt; Dec. members of the Greene
Family, Assumpta Tce;

Sun. 15th June 12.15pm

Carmel Moriarty, Patrick Street;
Sean McEvoy, Patrick's Terrace;

Sat. 21st June 6.15pm

Marian McNamara, Bracklone St. (M.M.)
Dr. Fergus McKeagney, Main St. (M.M.)
Gerry Conway, Avondale (2nd Anniv.)
Ciaran Orange, Canal Rd. (4th Anniv.) & dec.
members of the Orange Family, Marian Hill;
Lil Murphy, St. Michael's Park (5th Anniv.)
Kathleen Donagher, Bishopswood Rd. (6th
Anniv.); Peter Sheils, Birmingham & Westmeath

Sun. 22nd June 12.15pm

Mary Fallon, St. Joseph's Tce. (10th Anniv.);
Elizabeth & John Fallon, St. Michael's Park;
Bridie Brick & Joseph Brick, St. Michael's Park;
Elizabeth & George Nicholls, St. Michael's Park;
Michael Corcoran, Corrig & dec. members of the
Corcoran Family; Bridie & Dan Coogan & dec.
members of the Coogan Family

ANNIVERSARIES - KILLENARD

Sun. 15th June 10.30am

Sun. 22nd June 10.30am

Jim O'Leary, 1 Sandy Lane, The Heritage
(3rd Anniv.); Sean Connell, Avondale; Mary
Kiernan, Crowe Lane & Rathleash

DECEASED

**Pray for the following who died during
the week:-**

Una Dunne (nee Bolton), Leixlip & formerly
St. Michael's Park. Portarlington



Esther Dunne, Bennettsbridge, Athy
(Mother of Mary Delaney, New Inn)

RETIRED PRIESTS COLLECTION

Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the
recent collection for the Retired Priests of the
Diocese. Amount received: Emo Parish €1,110
/ Portarlington €2920. Your generosity is greatly
appreciated.

WEEKDAY ANNIVERSARIES PORTARLINGTON

Mon. 16th June - Martina Rogers, Bracknagh

Tues. 17th June - Mairead Kennedy, Bog Rd.

(B/Day Remembrance)

Wed. 18th June - - -

Thurs. 19th June Ciss & George Dunne & dec.

members of Hopkins & Dunne Family, Dublin

Fri. 20th June - Jim, Theresa & Edward

Westman

ANNIVERSARIES - EMO

Sat. 14th June 7.30pm

Philomena Scully, Coolaghy (34th Anniv.)

Una Moore, Morette

ANNIVERSARIES - RATH

Sun. 15th June 9am

Edward O'Connell, Courtwood

Michael Dunne, Courtwood

Sun. 22nd June 9am

Jack O'Connell, Coolroe

DAY FOR LIFE 2025

Day for Life presents an opportunity to
celebrate the dignity of all human life from
conception to natural end. The theme for 2025
is "Hope Does Not Disappoint: Finding Meaning
in Suffering". It is an invitation to pray for those
who suffer & to remain with them like the Good
Samaritan, bearing witness to their unique &
unrepeatable value. www.dayforlife.org

PRAYER TO THE HOLY TRINITY

*Glory be to the Father, who by His almighty
power & love created me, making me in the
image & likeness of God. Glory be to the Son,
who by His Precious Blood delivered me from
hell, & opened for me the gates of heaven.*

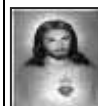
*Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
who has sanctified me in the sacrament
of Baptism, & continues to sanctify me
by the graces I receive daily from
His bounty.*

*Glory be to the three adorable
Persons of the Holy Trinity,
now and forever. Amen*

ADORATION BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every
Tuesday after 10am Mass concluding with
the Rosary at 7pm.

NOVENA - SACRED HEART - 2025



Takes place from Thursday 19th
June and ends on Friday 27th
June, (Which is the Feast of the
Sacred Heart)

Novena Prayer to the Sacred Heart

*Lord Jesus Christ, your heart was moved
with love for those who came to you for help:
You healed the sick, you fed the hungry,
you forgave sinners,
you cried over Jerusalem.*

*Above all, you showed to those who were
prepared to listen the way to true life, for you
are the Way, the Truth and the Life.
Lord, your heart is still moved today by your
people and their many needs.
Open my heart to hear your Word,
to accept your love*

*and to respond to your call.
In particular, I beg you to grant me the
favour I ask during this novena (make your
request silently), provided that it will
contribute to my own eternal good and to the
building up of your kingdom of love,
peace and justice here on earth.
Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
I place all my trust in you. AMEN*

Happy Father's 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.**

PORTARLINGTON 2025 PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

This year's Pilgrimage to Lourdes is from
Tues. 22nd July – Tues. 29th July.
Full payment is now due. If paying by
cheque please make payable to
Portarlington Lourdes Committee.
For further information contact Marie on 087
7589896 or any Committee Member.

CEMETERY MASS 2025



Killenard – Fri. 4th July – 7.30pm
Portarlington – Fri. 11th July – 7.30pm
Emo New Cemetery – Fri. 18th July – 7.30pm

**PORTARLINGTON CONCERT BAND
SUMMER CONCERT**



The Concert will be held In Scoil Phadraig, Canal Road on Fri. 20th June commencing 7pm. Featuring our Beginners; Junior Band and Senior Band. Adm: €10. School children free of charge. Come along for a great evening!

**KNOCK SHRINE – SACRED HEART CRUSADE
22ND JUNE 2025**

Sacred Heart Crusade – Jubilee 2025. This historic event will culminate in Mass celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin, during which Ireland will be consecrated to the Sacred Heart for the first time in over 150 years. This will take place from 9am to 5pm. Check out: www.sacredheartcrusade.ie. If you wish to travel by bus (€25) contact the Parish Office (057 8643004) a.s.a.p. so that transport can be organised or Valerie 087 7800429.

**AN SPIORAID NAOIMH PENTECOST
RETREAT**

Retreat will take place as follows:-
Fri. 27th June 6.30pm to 9.30pm.
Guest: Fr. David Vard.
Saturday June 28th from 10am to 3.3.45pm
Guest: Fr. John Mockler
Venue: Parish Centre, Portlaoise. Full program will be available on www.spioraidnaoimh.com.
Spiritual Director: Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill PP
St. Conleth's Newbridge. Further Info: Michael Nerney 086 8157305 – All very welcome.

**ST. BRIGIDS SOCIAL CLUB, CLONEYHURKE
R32CY89**

SOCIAL DANCING – Next dance will take place on Sat. 21st June. Dancing to Pat Daly. Adm: €10. Refreshments served. Doors open 9pm.
KEEP FIT - Wednesdays & Fridays 7-8pm
DANCING LESSONS - Thurs. 7.30-9pm.

24 HOUR SPONSORED FAST

An Spioraid Naoimh Praying Community
3rd Annual 24-Hour Sponsored Fast:
Friday, June 20th in Aid Of Mary's Meals.
Programme to Feed a Child for a School Year.
It costs €22 to Feed a Child in poorer areas of the world. €15,270 raised to date. Donations via www.spioraidnaoimh.com. Sponsorship Cards for Fast available from:- B. Reddin 086-8630039 / E. Cullinane 087-6595293 / M. Nerney 086-8157305 or in your local Parish Churches.
Mary's Meals Charity No. RCN 20061920.

**SOLAS BHRIDE
CENTRE AND HERMITAGES**

A Pilgrimage in the footsteps of St. Brigid on Mid-Summer Day – Sat. 21st June 2025.
Assemble at Solas Bhride Centre, Tully Road, Kildare town. 10am – 4pm. Route: The pilgrimage will commence at Solas Bhride and will include a short walk on the Curragh Plains, a visit to St. Brigid's Cathedral, Square, Relic of St. Brigid at St. Brigid's Parish Church, St. Brigid's Well and concluding at Solas Bhride.
The day will be interspersed with reflection, prayers, storytelling, poetry and music.
Cost €30 (incl. a light lunch which will be served prior to visit to St. Brigid's Well). Booking www.solasbhride.ie or email info@solasbhride.ie
Phone 045 522890.

**SOLAS ECO GARDEN
CENTRE**

Today, Sun. 15th June - Father's Day BBQ from 12 noon – 4pm. Free entry. Great food, live music & activities for all ages & all in our beautiful garden setting.
Free entry – all welcome!

**COLAISTE
IOSAGAIN**

**SILVER JUBILEE YEARBOOK
2000 – 2025**

400+ full-colour pages of photos and memories charting the past twenty-five years of the school community. Available from 21st August 2025 from the school and local shops for €25.



CLIMBING CROAGH PATRICK

Once again, Pat Burbage will climb Croagh Patrick on Tuesday 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. Bus will leave at 6am on the day.

CHILDMINDER VACANCY

Looking for a kind, caring and mature childminder to look after four children in the children's home. Full time from September to include school drop offs. Ideally start part time hours during the summer". Please email ms.nicola.flynn@gmail.com if interested.

PARISH ALIVE

Moving forward in Hope

Bishop Denis, together with the Diocesan Pastoral Council, will host a day for lay people & clergy to explore the direction of the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin & how it impacts on the day-to-day life of a parish. The day comprises: Input from guest speakers, prayer, general discussion & intentional listening. It takes place **Sat. 21st June in Carlow College** – Reg. 9.30am: 10am–4pm. Booking essential through parishdevelopment@kandle.ie (Lunch included)

**DERRYONCE COMMUNITY PARK
Maintenance Support Fund 2025**

Derryonce Community Park is a Portarlington Community Development Association (PCDA) initiative which is maintained & developed by community volunteers. PCDA is looking for community support in an effort to continue upgrading the lakes & trails at Derryonce. Our 2025 funding target is €6,000 to purchase lake & trail maintenance equipment. Your support is greatly appreciated. <https://gofund.me/84367f8a>

**LAOIS LEISURE CENTRE
PORTARLINGTON**

Swimming lessons now booking. Cost €99
Save €21 with our Summer Deal. Limited spaces. Call us on 057 8645800 (Link Road, Portarlington - www.LaoisLeisure.ie)

VACANCIES



**Portarlington C.E. Project CLG
Caretaker/Maintenance Person**

Port. Community Centre – Ref. 2391904
Environmental Worker
Amenity Areas – Ref. 2391911
Environmental Worker
Tidy Towns Assistant – Ref. 2394145
Cleaner

Port. Community Centre – Ref. 2394661
Grounds person

Arlington Soccer Club – Ref. 2396038
Contact: Portarlington CE Project CLG C/o Portarlington Community Centre, Link Road Portarlington, Co. Laois R32 D797
Phone Martina on 057 8643458 / 086 8537784
Email: martinasmyth@portarlingtonce.ie

**EMO – RATH
PARISH LOTTO**

Week. No. 1979 – 9th June 2025
Numbers 5, 14, 19, 23 – No jackpot winner.
€25 to each of the following:
Anna Costello c/o Emo GAA; Pat Owens c/o S. Strong; Kieran Bourke c/o D. Lawlor; Maire & Patrick c/o D. Lawlor; Cathy Murphy c/o B. Gorman. Next5 draw takes place Mon. 16th June with a Jackpot of €3,600.

**GRACEFIELD GAA CLUB LOTTO
9th June – Week No. 24**

Numbers 3, 30, 24, 18 – No Jackpot winner.
€50 to each of the following:- Declan Mullally; Bernie Byrne; Sean Conroy; Aisling Curley; Maria Storey. Promoter prize: John Kelly. Next week's Jackpot €3,400

**O'DEMPSEY'S G.F.C. NEWS
Lotto Results**

Numbers drawn 9th June: 04, 06, 11, 30.
No Jackpot winner. 1 x match 3 winner: Mary Lawlor. Seller: Dick Whelehan.
Promoter: Tony Kavanagh. Next Draw: Mon. 16th June with a of Jackpot €6,300. Thanks for your support.

Cúl Camps

Cúl Camps will be back in O'Dempsey's from the 14th to 18th July for boys and girls. Places must be booked in advance at the following link - www.kelloggsculcamps.gaa.ie/

SUMMER CAMP

29th July – 1st August

At Scoil Phadraig, Portarlington. 9.30am to 2pm. Activities include sport, baking, arts and crafts and coding.
€70 (sibling discounts available). Scan QR code to register & pay online.
Applications are not accepted through the school office.) Further info @ email summercampport@gmail.com. Please note this is a private run camp; ran by teachers in the school but is not affiliated with Scoil Phadraig.



LAOIS GAA GOLF CLASSIC 2025

Fri. 27th June at Portarlington Golf Club.
Team of 4 is €400. Tee Box Sponsorship €100. For Team Sheets contact:- Bosco 087 7996043 / Kieran 087 2027124

CARER AVAILABLE

Portarlington & Surrounding Areas

Carer available, excellent references and years of experience. Local to the area. Cover hygiene care, house duties, meals, shopping, sleep-overs, hospital appointments (car owner). Holds FETAC Level 5 Award. Available Mon. to Fri. Contact Mary on 087 6279682.

LAOIS MUSIC CENTRE

Laois Music Centre is open Tues. 17th June from 6-8pm. All welcome - Free admission. Meet the team of tutors from Laois School of Music and Music Generation Laois. Try out lots of instruments. Laois Music Centre, Church Ave, Portlaoise, R32 Y074 or check out musicgenerationlaois.ie

GIG FOR GAZA

Music, Hope & Solidarity!

Charity event in aid of Gaza. Local musicians unite to raise funds for a mobile maternity unit. Sun. 22nd June from 3pm to 10pm. Tickets €10. Venue: The Anvil Inn, Portarlington. Featuring: "Dopamine", "Half the Truth", "Copper Brereton", "Bailey", "The Electrix Unplugged", "Peter Mc"

