

Confessions: Every Saturday-6.15pm-6.45pm in St. Brigid's Church,Portumna

Adoration: 2.00pm-7.00pm every Thursday & Friday.

NB:PLEASE NOTE: When there is a Funeral Mass during the week, there will be **NO REGULAR MASS** on that day. If there is an Intention it will be offered at the funeral mass.

NB: No Mass in Boula on SUN. 01st Oct. 2017. Normal Mass Times will resume FROM Sun. 08th Oct. 2017.

NB: Simon Community Galway Church Gate Collection next week-end.

Wedding Congratulations: Congratulations to 3 couples that got married last week-Bridget Brereton & Tony Ryan on Wednesday 06th September./Philippa Coleman & Martin Cusack on Friday 08th September/Laoise Ryan & Joseph Deane on Friday 08th September.

Word of Thanks: To Portumna Cycling Club for donation of €11,110.25 to Portumna Daycare Centre from their recent fundraising cycle. Also thanks to all sponsors & those who made donations and to all who helped to make this event so successful.

Life in the Spirit Seminar: Starts Fri. 22nd Sept. @8pm & each Friday for 7 weeks in Family Centre,Brackernagh,Ballinasloe. Experience the Power of The Holy Spirit in your Life as requested by Pope Francis. Renowned Speakers,Powerful Testimonies,Inspirational Music.

History Conference: In the Irish Workhouse Centre on Sat. 07th Oct. a conference on Workhouse,Famine & Emigration. This event is **FREE**. Lunch provided and in lieu of a fee attendees will be requested to donate towards the development of a museum at the centre. Those interested must book a place at info@irishworkhousecentre.ie or Tel: 086-4070851.

Ballinasloe Jobs Club: GRETB & Ballinasloe Community Resources host a **FREE** Information morning on Tues. 19th Sept. @11am in the Jobs Club Ballinasloe.For more information Tel: 090-9643057 or e-mail-info@ballinasloejobsclub.ie.

Also **Galway Rural Development** will host the Autumn Learning for Life Roadshow providing information on free courses,local job opportunities as well as CV and job interview.workshops next Tues. 19th Sept. in Portumna Community Hall from 10am-1pm. **FREE** entry to all and no advance booking required.i.

Nurturing Nature: In An Gairdin,Portumna Sat. 23rd Sept.-10am-4pm. A day of exploring nature in our everyday lives. It is Grant Aided and Lunch & Refreshments cost €20.00. To book Tel:-090-9741689 or e-mail angairdin1@gmail.com before Sat.16th Sept.

Computer Classes: To begin shortly for set-up e-mail,internet,skype,online shopping,Dept. of Agriculture registration of animals etc. Tel: Mary Muldoon-086-1908975

Portumna GAA:Congratulations to Orla Keady who was one of the lucky winners in the Specsavers Look for Longer Competition. She won 2 All Ireland tickets for the big day & also €2500.00 for the club. A Big Thank You from the Club.

Portumna & District A.R.A: Please Note: No meeting on Thurs. 21st Sept. Anyone who wishes to join Lorrha A.R.A. trip to "Trad on the Prom" please contact Nancy. Special Culture night event In Portumna Retirement Village on Fri. 22nd Sept. @8pm.

Gortanumera National School Board of Management: Hold a 5km Fun Run/Walk from Gortanumera NS on Sun. 24th Sept. Registration from 12.00-12.15pm. Start Time 12.30pm. Adults-€10.00,Children-€5.00 & families €20.00. Support much appreciated. All welcome.

Cancer Care West & Galway University Hospital: Organising a series of **FREE** Prostate Cancer information and support sessions. Next one is Thurs. 21st Sept.-7pm-9pm To book a place Tel:Rachael Dalton(clinical nurse specialist)at 091-893318 or Cancer Care West-091-540040

Chiropody Clinic: In Hayes Pharmacy,Portumna on Thurs. 21st & Fri. 22nd Sept. and Tues.26th & Wed. 27th Sept. for general & diabetic footcare. Homeclinic & housecalls available. Tel:Emma 086-1901247 for appointment.

Irish Red Cross: Church Gate Collection on 19th & 20th Aug.last amounted to €312.00. Many thanks for your support.

Bramble Art Studio(Lorrha): Drawing Classes for children (9yrs upwards) every Wednesday @6pm from 20th Sept. Tel: Ute-087-9151356 or 090-9747127. Early booked advised.

Line Dancing Classes: Resumes in Boathouse Bar on Tues. 19th Sept. @8pm.

Mary Immaculate College Alumni Reunion 2017-07th Oct. 2017. Alumni on Sat. 07th Oct. 2017 1.30pm-5.00pm for those who graduated in 1957,1962,1967,1972,1977,1982,1987,1992,1997,2002,2007,2012.Please advise in advance-alumni@mic.ul.ie (put"Class Reunion") in the subject line or Tel: 061-774786.

To view the parish newsletter online: www.clonfertdiocese.ie or www.visitportumna.com
Please Note:

Items for newsletter must reach parish office no later than **11am** each **Thursday**. Local parish events get priority.

Parish Office Hours: Mon-Fri-10am-3pm.

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Portumna Parish Announcements:

Sun 17th Sept. 2017 The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat. 16th Sept. 7.00pm (M.M.) Kitty Walsh
(A) Deceased members of the Monaghan family
Sun. 17th Sept. 11.00am (A) Edward Kennedy
(A) Paddy & Annie Madden
Mon. 18th Sept. 10.00am (A) Private Intention
Tue. 19th Sept. 10.00am People of the Parish
Wed. 20th Sept 10.00am
Thurs.21st Sept. 7.00pm (A) Bernie O'Hara
Fri. 22nd Sept. 7.00pm
Sat. 23rd Sept. 7.00pm (A) Maureen Canning
(A) John Madden
Sun. 24th Sept . 11.00am

Ministers of the Word: Sat. 23rd Sept. & Sun. 24th Sept.

7.00pm: Ruth Conroy
11.00am: Breeda O'Connor

Ministers for Holy Communion: Sat. 23rd Sept. & Sun. 24th Sept.

7.00pm: Sile Fahy,Elizabeth Ryan,Mary Connors
11.00am: Phil Coleman,Majella Lewis,Nancy Dermody

Mass Servers: Sat. 23rd Sept. & Sun. 24th Sept.

7.00pm:(C) Sara Lily Morrissey
11.00am:(F) Petra Killeen,David Cunniffe

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