

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,UNLESS there is a 1st Anniversary Mass or a Months Mind. Any Intention will be offered at the funeral mass.

First Friday: 1st Friday Calls will take place on 7th December at usual times with Fr Michael.

NB:2019 Church Offering Boxes available for collection at main entrance to St Brigid's Church.

Family Carers Ireland: Would like to thank most sincerely the people of the parish for their generosity at the recent Church Gate Collection which amounted to €401.52. The proceeds of this collection will be used to provide emergency respite and support/services for family carers in the local area.

Famine Lecture: In Irish Workhouse Centre on Tues. 4th Dec. hosted by Sth.East Galway Archaeological & Historical Society with lecture by Dr. Ciarán Reilly titled "A demon in human shape": Murder in Famine Ireland. Society will celebrate 20yrs next year so articles now sought for a bumper edition of the society journal in 2019.

Portumna Credit Union: Portumna Credit Union Offices will be closed for renovations from Tues.4th Dec.-Thurs.6th Dec. Grand opening on Fri. 7th Dec. with business as usual. Apologies for inconvenience caused.

Chiropodist in Portumna Day Care Centre: Attending Portumna Day Care Centre on Wed. 19th Dec. For appointment [Tel:086-3532672](tel:086-3532672).

Galway Hospice Memorial Christmas Tree: Will launch their Christmas Tree of Life celebration on the grounds of the Hospice on Sun. 2nd Dec.@5pm. All welcome to attend. Music by Mike Denver,Kiltulla Community Choir & lights switched on by RTE Dáithí Ó'Sé. Refreshments at hospice. Please join us to light up the winter sky with memories.

Tribute Concert to Richard Bourke: NB: Change of Date-Now on Sun. 2nd Dec .in Rathcabbin Church @8pm."Songs of Home and Family" will be presented. This is to honour Richard's memory and his legacy who was known far and wide for his musical talent,wonderful singing voice & key board accompaniment which he generously shared with many people throughout his life in his native Rathcabbin,Lorrha & parishes of Nth Tipperary & Diocese of Killaloe.

Killimor Camogie: Holding Christmas Cake Sale on Sun 16th Dec. All homemade iced & uniced. To preorder-Tel:085-2098781. Bingo in Killimor Community Centre on Fri. 28th Dec. @8pm. All proceeds to Killimor Camogie.

Portumna G.A.A:No winner of Jackpot.numbers drawn were 3,6,14,16.No match three winner.Donation of €100 to East Galway & Midlands Cancer Care Support.Present Jackpot -€3400. A big "Thank You" to all who supported the funding raising night with Mike Denver last Friday night by purchasing tickets or attending on the night.A great night was had by all.**NB:**Club's AGM is **Sun. 9th Dec.@2pm** in the Clubhouse.

Portumna Arts Group: AGM on Thurs. 6th Dec. @8pm in small hall of Portumna Town hall. All welcome to attend with ideas and support for Shorelines for 2019.

12hr Indoor Cycle: In Portumna Engine Room in aid of "The Mark Pollock Trust"(a pioneer to finding a cure to paralysis) on Sun. 6th Jan. 2019. Starts at 7am-6pm. Looking for people to cycle up to 1hour on spinning bikes.€20pp + donations welcome. To book your bike Tel: Sarah-087-2117262.

Sale of Household Items: In Portumna Town Hall on Sat. 8th Dec. from 10.45am-1pm. Items to include:- Washing Machine,Dishwasher,Pots/Pans,Delph/Glassware,Furniture items to include Writing Desk,Bric-a-Brac.All monies raised will go to Kathleen Sullivan(Athenry Nursing Home).

Festive Friday: At Hayes & Hayes Totalhealth Pharmacy on Fri. 7th Dec.-6pm-8pm. special offers,live music,in store raffle & a lot of festive spirit. All welcome.

Chiropody Clinic: In Hayes Pharmacy,Portumna on Tues.11th,Thurs. 13th,Fri.14th & Thurs.20th Dec.for general & diabetic footcare.

Redwood N.S Christmas Variety Show: Performed by the children of Redwood N.S on Tues.11th Dec. @7pm in Redwood Church.Show to incorporate music,song,hop hop dancing,choreographed by Dance It Out Ireland & "The Nativity".Admission **FREE**. Raffle(for hamper & plenty of spot prizes) and refreshments in school afterwards

Lorrha Development/Tidy Towns 10th Anniversary Christmas Market & Auction: On Sun. 2nd Dec. from 1pm. Auction @2.30pm,Santa arriving 3pm. Stalls galore inside with auction of fuel,fodder,meal etc outside. Raffle for large food hamper,biscuits,wine & plenty more. For information [Tel:086-8493595](tel:086-8493595) or 086-8647166 or 090-9747196. Support much appreciated for the **ONLY** fundraiser of the year.

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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Holy Mass Times: St. Brigid's Church

Sat. 1st Dec. 11.00am (M.M.) Patricia Kilroy
Holy Souls
7.00pm (A) Shauna Gillane & Frank & Colman Gillane
(1stA) Mary Hackett(nee Slevin) & Tony Hackett

Sun. 2nd Dec. 11.00am (A) Ryan & Cooney families
(A) Sean Fahy

Mon. 3rd Dec. 10.00am Private Intention

Tues. 4th Dec. 10.00am Private Intention
People of the Parish

Wed. 5th Dec. 10.00am Private Intention

Thurs.6th Dec. 7.00pm (M.M) Sally Duggan
(A) Mary Mitchell

Fri. 7th Dec 7.00pm Vigil Feast of the Immaculate Conception
(1stA) Teresa Nevin
(A) Mary,Jack & Sheila Donohue & Bridget & Thomas Keating

Sat. 8th Dec. 10.00am Feast of the Immaculate Conception
7.00pm (A) Matthew Fitzpatrick
(A) Thomas & Annie Mai Mitchell

Sun. 9th Dec 11.00am (A) John Joe Shaughnessy
(1stA) Ivy Patricia Warner & Gregory Warner

Minister of the Word: Sat. 8th Dec. & Sun. 9th Dec.

7.00pm: 1st Reading: Lillian O'Dwyer & 2nd Reading: Isabelle Canning

11.00am: 1st Reading: Peter Ayres & 2nd Reading: Ava Downey

Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat. 8th Dec. & Sun. 9th Dec.

7.00pm:K O' Hare,B Mitchell,M Fahy 11.00am: J Dillon,P Lohan,P Joyce,

Mass Servers: Sat. 8th Dec.& Sun.9th Dec.

7.00pm Team (B) & 11.00am-Team (C)

Mass:St. Peter & Paul's Church,Boula

Sun. 2nd Dec. 09.30am (A) Tom Joe & Mai Hardiman

Sun. 9th Dec. 09.30am

Reader: Adrian Hoare

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Sunday

2nd December 2018

First Sunday of Advent