

Confessions: Every Saturday-6.00pm-6.20pm in St. Brigid's Church,Portumna

Adoration-2.00pm-7.00pm every Thursday & Friday

NB: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is now dedicated to praying for vocations particularly to the priesthood.

NB: This week-end's Mass is on Page 93 of St. Paul Sunday Missal.

NB: Church Gate Collection for The Irish Wheelchair Association will take place this week-end.

NB: Mass Times for Boula and Gortanumera is now at 9.15am from this week-end onwards.

NB: Postbox now transferred to outside the Parish Office door.

The Portumna Group & Friends Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

Will take place this year for 5 nights departing Tues. 25th June 2019 and returning Sunday 30th June 2019. Further information Tel: Dr. Kaye Duddy-090-9742444.

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages-April-Oct. 2019: 7 nights B&B and Airport Shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €279 per person sharing. Book any flight any time and airport shuttle service is guaranteed. Tel: 01-4434510 or e-mail reservations@med-irishcentre.com.

Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator Position:Vacancy for a part time (19.5 hrs).

Responsibilities include (a) John Paul 11 Awards,(b) Developing lay-led parish liturgy,(c) Supporting the primary school catechetical programme.Please send applications by e-mail to clonferdi@gmail.com or by post to The Office Administrator,Clonfert Diocese,Coorheen,Loughrea,Co. Galway,H62TD82 by Friday 15th February 2019.

Accord: Is your relationship/marriage in trouble? Accord in Ballinasloe are committed to providing a professional counselling service for individuals and couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriage and relationships.This confidential service is available and affordable. [Tel:090-9643573](tel:090-9643573) or appointment or e-mail-ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net.

GRETB Portumna College of Further Education(Old VEC): Places available on QQI Certified courses,registrations ongoing for Employability Skills,Computers,Healthcare, Business with Tourism,Retail,Spanish,Horticulture(gardening),EOSL,Crafts Sewing,Genealogy Family History,Introduction to Sign language QQI. Speech & Drama and Singing. Tel: [Michael-087-6258696](tel:087-6258696)/[090-9741946](tel:090-9741946)/michaelcunniffe@gretb.ie or Patricia Geoghegan-090-9759092 or irdheritageproject@eircom.net.

History Lecture:The first lecture of the Sth. East Galway Archaeological & Historical Society for 2019 is on Tues. 19th Feb. @8pm in the Irish Workhouse Centre. Brendan "Speedie" Smith will present a lecture on "Hidden Stories of the Great War".

Portumna G.A.A: No winner of last week's lotto jackpot. Numbers drawn were 8,13,14,27. One match three winner-Mary O'Rourke,St. Joseph's Rd.Portumna to receive €100.Current Jackpot €4500.00.

St. Vincent de Paul Shop: In Abbey St. Portumna. A plea for Men's & Ladies Clothes,Footwear,Bric-a-Brac,Bed Linen,Curtains,Hats,Handbags,Belts or any unwanted gifts in good condition.

PPN Funding Workshop: On Mon. 11th Feb In The Irish Workhouse Centre,Portumna @7.30pm. Information on Galway County Council and GRD's grant and support schemes for community groups. For more information [Tel:Denise Feeney,Galway Co. PPN-087-9455722](tel:090-9455722) or visit www.galwaycountypnn.ie.

Chiropody Clinic: Attending Hayes Pharmacy,Portumna on Mon.11th,Tues. 12th.and Mon. 25th Feb.for general and diabetic footcare. Tel: Emma-086-1901247 for appointment.

An Gáirdín Organic Gardening Course: Over 3 Saturday mornings with Jim Cronin-16th Feb,2nd Mar. and 30th Mar. from10am-1pm. Cost of €25 per day including morning refreshments and light lunch. [Tel:087-2845443](tel:087-2845443) or [e-mail-angairdin1@gmail.com](mailto:angairdin1@gmail.com). View www.angairdin.ie and An Gáirdín Facebook.

Family Carer Training: Western Alzheimer's are holding family carer training in the Cumasu Centre,Doughiska Road,Galway(opposite Lidl) commencing Wed. 20th Feb 2019 10.30am-1pm for 5 consecutive weeks. Enquiries and to book a place [Tel:091-565193](tel:091-565193) as places are limited. Or E-Mail-galway@westernalzheimers.ie.

Redwood N.S: Currently accepting applications for enrolment of Junior Infant pupils for September 2019. Application forms for enrolment available from the school 8.30am-3.30pm daily. Applications will close at the end of February. To view school and see facilities and meet teachers [Tel:090-9747186](tel:090-9747186) or e-mail-redwoodns@live.ie.

Seumas O'Kelly Players: Present their Spring Comedy-"A Wake in the West" by Michael J. Ginnelly on Sat.23rd and Sun.24th Feb. in Temperance Hall,Loughrea @8pm. Tickets €10 in advance from T.L.O'Brien's,Main St. Loughrea or €12 on the door. Further information Tel:083-8633796.

Special Loughrea Pilgrimages: Fatima and Lisbon-Feast Day of St. Anthony-9th/14th June and Medjugorje Pilgrimage for Youth Festival Aug. 2019 both ex Dublin. Payments by instalments acceptable. [Tel:James treacy-086-0572216](tel:086-0572216).

A 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. 9th Feb. 6.30pm (A) Billy Salmon
(A) John Martin
Sun. 10th Feb. 10.30am (A) Desmond Durack & John & Mary Cowan
(A) Marie O'Meara
Mon. 11th Feb. 10.00am (A) The Nevin Family
Tues. 12th Feb. 10.00am (A) William,Elizabeth & Billy Hannon
People of the Parish
Wed.13th Feb. 10.00am Private intention
Thurs.14th Feb 7.00pm Private Intention
Fri.15th Feb. 7.00pm (M.M) Tommy Martin
Sat.16th Feb. 6.30pm (A) Paddy & Una Connors
(A) Peter Burke
Sun 17th Feb. 10.30am (A) Paddy Callan & Paddy Rabbitte
(A) Bill & Eileen Tuohy

Minister of the Word: Sat. 16th Feb. & Sun. 17th Feb.

6.30pm: 1st Reading: Denis McLoughlin & **2nd Reading:** Isabelle Canning
10.30am: 1st Reading: Pierce Joyce & **2nd Reading:** Nathan Canning

Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat. 16th Feb. & Sun. 17th Feb.

6.30pm:S Fahy,E Ryan,R O'Rourke **10.30am:** P Lohan,P Joyce,A Tuohy

Mass Servers: Sat. 16th Feb.& Sun.17th Feb.

6.30pm Team (A) & **10.30am**-Team (B)

St. Peter & Paul's Church,Boula

Sun. 10th February 9.15am (A) Josie,Kitty & Joe Dolphin

Reader: Pearl Donohue

Sun. 17th February: (A) Tommy & Mary Burke

Reader: Adrian Hoare

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Sunday 10th February 2019

**Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**