

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

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

**NB: Mobile Number on Parish Calendar is incorrect-it should read 087-6227468 as on weekly newsletter.**

**NB: All Pamphlets/Notices for display at back of Church MUST be cleared by Parish Office.**

**NB: 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Calls for September will be on the previous day Thursday.**

**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 Gortanumera AFTER Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017 due to Fr. Michael on holidays.**

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

**Lost/Found:** Large sum of money lost in Portumna Town on Saturday Evening last. **Reward** offered. Please contact Parish Office.

**WMOF2018:** Mr Martin Kennedy, National Co-ordinator for the World Meeting of Families 2018 will hold an open information evening for the Clonfert Diocese in Gullanes Hotel,Ballinasloe on Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. @8pm for who wish to be actively involved in the event. People who wish to volunteer nationally can do so online-www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteering.

**Bank of Ireland National Enterprise Town Awards Competition:** Portumna is 1 of 6 towns nominated. Judging will take place 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. @2.30pm. Anybody good at marketing or putting marketing packages together is very welcome.

**Sign Out Café:** Speech & Drama Lessons every Saturday starting Sept. 09<sup>th</sup> to involve acting,mime,improvisation,show & tell,clear speech,exam preparation,oral presentations etc. Tel: Patrice 087-7564712

**Portumna College of Further Education:** Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> Aug.-Fri. 01<sup>st</sup> Sept. registration for QQI/FETAC Certified Courses in Healthcare,Horticulture,Business Studies/Retail,Tourism,Food Safety/HACCP,Computers,Spanish,English for speakers of other languages,Adult Literacy. All courses **FREE** for Unemployed,Jobseekers, and Elder Citizens,Fees for the Employed.

**ELFA Study Hub,Loughrea:** Information Evening on Thurs.31<sup>st</sup> Aug.@7pm to hear about all services provided to 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> level students. Now taking bookings for October Mid-Term Intensive Irish & Maths course for Junior & Leaving Cert Students. Tel: Breda Coughlan-086-3792360 to book a place.

**Portumna GAA Lotto:** No winner last week-end. Numbers drawn were 4,17,19,26.

Two people matched three numbers- Brid Rooney,Sean Kennedy. Each receive €50.00. Current Jackpot is €6,900.00.

**Portumna & District A.R.A:** Members please note the following Events Programme.

**Thurs. 31<sup>st</sup> Aug.** trip to "Trad on the Prom"-meeting in Portumna Sq.-Names to Nancy Please.

**Thurs. 07<sup>th</sup> Sept.** A.R.A. returns meeting @8pm in Social Hall of Portumna Retirement Village. New members Very Welcome.

**Fr. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept.** will be our special culture night event in usual meeting place.

**Shorelines Art's Festival:** There is a sculpture project in progress and information on the past is required. Information on the Market in the Fairgreen, Portumna Mart,St. Mary's Convent & Tech. School. Please contact Aideen Monaghan-Tel:-086-3305322 or [E-Mail-aideenmon@yahoo.ie](mailto:E-Mail-aideenmon@yahoo.ie). Aideen would love to speak to anybody who attended the Tech School in particular.

**Irish Blood Transfusion Service:** In Lorrha GAA Centre on Tues. 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2017-3.00pm-5.00pm & 7.00pm-9.30pm.

**Gortanumera Development Association:** Next meeting Wed. 06<sup>th</sup> Sept. @ 8.30pm in Scoil Mhuire, Gortanumera.

**Killimor 10k.**Express sincere gratitude to all that supported the 10k on 09<sup>th</sup> July last in aid of Galway Hospice. The total amount raised was €6665.00.

**Killimor Bingo:** Resumes in Killimor Community Centre on 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month commencing Fri. 01<sup>st</sup> Sept @8.30pm. Jackpot €800.00.

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

**The French Club:** A fun programme for primary school children aged 4yrs and upwards to 6<sup>th</sup> class will commence in Birr Rugby Club on Thurs. 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. Emphasis on the spoken word through games,song,drama and role play. Contact Marie Brady by text or telephone-087-4154983 for more details. Four levels available.

**To view the parish newsletter online:** [www.clonfertdiocese.ie](http://www.clonfertdiocese.ie) or [www.visitportumna.com](http://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 27<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2017 The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> Aug. 7.00pm (A) Jack Hoary & the Meara family  
(A) Paul Connolly  
Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> Aug. 11.00am (A) Mona Madden  
Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> Aug. 10.00am Private Intention  
Tue. 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. 10.00am People of the Parish  
Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.00am  
Thurs.31<sup>st</sup> Aug. 7.00pm Private Intention  
Fri. 01<sup>st</sup> Sept.. 7.00pm  
Sat. 02<sup>nd</sup> Sept 7.00pm (A) Mary & Michael Dillon  
Sun. 03<sup>rd</sup> Sept 11.00am (A) Frank Andrew Aniela of the Serafin family

**Ministers of the Word: Sat. 02<sup>nd</sup> Sept. & Sun. 03<sup>rd</sup> Sept.**

7.00pm: Lillian O'Dwyer  
11.00am: John Gannon

**Ministers for Holy Communion: Sat. 02<sup>nd</sup> Sept. & Sun. 03<sup>rd</sup> Sept.**

7.00pm: Brendan Mitchell, Mary Fahy, Sile Fahy  
11.00am: Nancy Dermody, Sean O'Dwyer, Siobhan Tuohy

**Mass Servers: Sat. 02<sup>nd</sup> Sept. & Sun. 03<sup>rd</sup> Sept.**

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

**Masses: St. Peter & Paul's Church-Boula**

Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Aug. 09.30am

**Masses: Church of the Ascension Gortanumera**

Sun. 03<sup>rd</sup> Sept. 09.30am (A) Alphonsus, Catherine & Keith Hayes  
(A) Charlie & Mary Corcoran

**Reader: Mary Rourke**

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**Sunday**

**27<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

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