

**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. 01<sup>st</sup> Oct. 2017. Normal Mass Times will resume FROM Sun. 08<sup>th</sup> 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 06<sup>th</sup> September./Philippa Coleman & Martin Cusack on Friday 08<sup>th</sup> September/Laoise Ryan & Joseph Deane on Friday 08<sup>th</sup> 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. 22<sup>nd</sup> 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. 07<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:info@irishworkhousecentre.ie) or Tel: 086-4070851.

**Ballinasloe Jobs Club:** GRETB & Ballinasloe Community Resources host a **FREE** Information morning on Tues. 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. @11am in the Jobs Club Ballinasloe.For more information Tel: 090-9643057 or [e-mail-info@ballinasloejobsclub.ie](mailto: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. 19<sup>th</sup> 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. 23<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:angairdin1@gmail.com) before Sat.16<sup>th</sup> 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. 21<sup>st</sup> 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. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept. @8pm.

**Gortanumera National School Board of Management:** Hold a 5km Fun Run/Walk from Gortanumera NS on Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> 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. 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

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

**Irish Red Cross:** Church Gate Collection on 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> Sept. Tel: Ute-087-9151356 or 090-9747127. Early booked advised.

**Line Dancing Classes:** Resumes in Boathouse Bar on Tues. 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. @8pm.

**Mary Immaculate College Alumni Reunion 2017-07<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2017.** Alumni on Sat. 07<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](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 17<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017 The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Ministers of the Word: Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. & Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

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

**Ministers for Holy Communion: Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. & Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

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

**Mass Servers: Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. & Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

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

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**17<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

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