

**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.

**Parish Bank Details:**BIC No: BOFIE2DXXX & IBAN No: IE88BOFI90394726882574

**NB: The 2018 boxes of envelopes are now at the back of church in the porch ready for collection. You will find name & address printed on the box under your station area.**

**Should anybody wish to have a box please contact parish office. Many thanks.**

**Christmas Mass Schedule:**

**Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Dec.Christmas Eve.**

**Family Christmas Mass**

6.00pm

**Christmas Vigil**

9.00pm (A) Mary & Peggy Diver  
(A) Con Rooney

**Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> Dec.Christmas Day**

9.00am Boula

10.00am Gortanumera

11.00am Town (A) Patrick Conroy  
& John McMahon  
(A) Gerald Thorlby

**Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> Dec.St. Stephen's Day**

No Mass

**Wed. 27<sup>th</sup> Dec-Fri.29<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

11.00am

**Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

7.00pm

**Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec.**

11.00am in Town

9.30am in Boula

**Ministers of the Word:Sat. 06<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> Sun. 07<sup>th</sup> Jan.**

7.00pm:Ita Hynes & 11.00am:Martha Tuohy

**Ministers for Holy Communion:Sat. 06<sup>th</sup> Jan. & Sun. 07<sup>th</sup> Jan.**

7.00pm: K.O Hare,M. Carty,B.Mitchell & 11.00am:J.Dillon,P.Joyce,R O Rourke

**Mass Servers:Sat. 06<sup>th</sup> Jan. & Sun. 07<sup>th</sup> Jan.**

7.00pm:Team (B) & 11.00am: Team (A)

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

Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. 09.30am (A) Tom & Julia Donohue

Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 09.30am

**Reader:** Patrick Donohue

**Masses:Church of the Ascension,Gortanumera**

Sun. 07<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018 (A) Patrick & Anne Dolphin

**Reader:** Mary Rourke

**NB: No First Friday Calls for January 2018.**

**Portumna G.A.A. Lotto:** The 3000 to 1 fundraiser draw is extended to Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> December.A big Thank You to those who have supported fundraiser to date.Tickets available from any committee member.

**Sponsored Christmas Day Swim/Dip:** At Noon,Swimming Area,Shannon Rd. In aid of St. Dymrna's,Bridge Home Group & Shannon Respite. Sponsor Cards available from Curley's Bar,Hayes Pub, & Ann-Tel:087-6493221. Please come along on the day to support.

**Killimor Bingo:** In Killimor Community Centre on Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> December @8pm. Guaranteed jackpot of €800 on the night and lots more.

**Study Hub,Loughrea:** Intensive Courses for Leaving Cert & Junior Certs will take place on Jan. 02<sup>nd</sup>-Jan. 06<sup>th</sup> 2018 in Maths,French,& Irish. Smal group sizes & 3hrs per subject per day. Tel. Breda-086-3792360.

**Fit4Life:** Recommences 10am Sat. 06<sup>th</sup> Jan.2018 @Tommy Larkins Pitch,Woodford & will run for 10 consecutive weeks.. Suitable for all ages. Contact Mary Kelly - [kelly@marykelly33@hotmail.com](mailto:kelly@marykelly33@hotmail.com) or [Tel:087-7913046](tel:087-7913046). All welcome.

**Radio Maria Irl:** Is an Irish run Catholic Talk-Radio station>with an aim to help spread the gospel message of Joy,Hope & Charity with Prayer,Catechesis,Sacred Music,Talks,Interviews & Testimonies-all commercial free. On air 24/7. Download **FREE** by App Radio Maria World Family to your phone or tablet. Free Streaming just click Listen Live on [www.RadioMaria.ie](http://www.RadioMaria.ie). Also on phone-Tel:01-4373277 for cost of a phonecall.

**Message from the Parish Priest:**

Dear Friends as I approach my first Christmas with you as your parish priest I extend my good wishes to you and yours. To all who have returned home to celebrate with your families this very special time,may the bonds of family and friends be deepened. I ask the Lord to bestow His Blessing on each of you and wish you the very best for 2018  
Fr. Michael P.P.,J.V.

**NB:** Check out New Facebook Page & You Tube Page called "Portumna Parish".

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.

**NB: Office closed until Tuesday 02<sup>nd</sup> January 2018.**

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**Portumna Parish Announcements:**

Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 7.00pm (1<sup>st</sup>A) Paul Glynn  
7.00pm (A) Tom & Hannah Blake & deceased family members  
& Tillie & John Beasty

**Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Dec.** 11.00am

Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> Dec. See over

Tue. 26<sup>th</sup> Dec. No Mass

Wed. 27<sup>th</sup> Dec. 11.00am Private Intention

Thurs.28<sup>th</sup> Dec. 11.00am Mary Hackett

Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> Dec. 11.00am

Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.00pm (1<sup>st</sup>A) Nancy Madden  
(A) Alban & May Couser

**Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec.** 11.00am (M.M) Teresa Nevin  
(1<sup>st</sup> A) Michael Molloy  
(A) Philip Browne

Mon.01<sup>st</sup> Jan..2018 No Mass

Tues.02<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 10.00am (A) Christine Morrissey

Wed.03<sup>rd</sup> Jan. 10.00am

Thurs.04<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7.00pm

**Fri.05<sup>th</sup> Jan. Vigil Epiphany** 7.00pm (A) Leo & Babbie Curley  
(A) Joe O'Meara & Six Swiss friends

**Sat. 06<sup>th</sup> Jan.Feast of the Epiphany** 11.00am

Sat.06<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7.00pm (A) Maria McClearn  
(A) John Dillon Snr. & John Dillon Jnr.

Sun. 07<sup>th</sup> Jan. 11.00am (1<sup>st</sup>A) Molly Nevin & (A)Tom & Tess Downey

**Ministers of the Word: Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Dec. & Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec.**

7.00pm: Sean O'Dwyer

11.00am: Breeda O'Connor

**Ministers for Holy Communion: Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Dec. & Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec.**

7.00pm: Sile Fahy,Elizabeth Ryan,Mary Connors

11.00am: Nancy Dermody,Sean O'Dwyer,Siobhan Tuohy

**Mass Servers: Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Dec. & Sun.31<sup>st</sup> Dec.**

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

# Portumna Parish Newsletter

**Sundays**

**24<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**&**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2017**