

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

"Happy Mother's Day" to all mothers in our parish & surrounds-Fr. Michael.

NB: 2nd Basket Collection on St. Patrick's Day for Irish Emigrants

NB: Please Note-Masses need to be booked at least 2mths in advance as the demand is very high.

NB: Trocaire Boxes available @ Main Church Entrance.

NB: Please Note Updated Safeguarding Policy on display in glass cabinet at Main Church Entrance.

NB: May I request that no gloves be worn when receiving Holy Communion out of respect for the blessed sacrament.

Thank You. Fr. Michael.

Lourdes Clonfert Diocesan Pilgrimage: On 28th August-02nd September 2018-Knock-Lourdes under the leadership of Bishop John Kirby. Nursing care for the elderly & sick wishing to travel. Cost includes Insurance,Air Fare,Coach & Hotel Meditterance for 5nts with full board for €725. All rooms with private facilities. To book contact Society Travel-090-9645350.

Irish Blood Transfusion: Mobile Unit Team In Lorrha-Dorrha GAA Club,Moatfield on Tues.13th Mar.-3pm-5pm & 7pm-9.30pm.If you require further information Tel-1850731137.

Chiropody Clinic: On Main Birr/Portumna Road,10mins from Portumna. Home visits & evening appointments available. Tel: Geraldine Heenan-086-3532672.

Radio Maria: Your Irish run Catholic Talk Radio Station.Tune into **FREE** App "Radio Maria Ireland" streaming on www.radiomaria.ie or via phone. Get live radio feed by calling +353(0)14373277(no extra charge will apply)

St. Patricks Day Parade: Starts 12Noon on Sat. 17th March. Register at Portumna P.O-€10. Categories include-Youth,Humorous,Business/Commercial,Vintage & Voluntary. Window competition also. Contact Frances-087-7427850 or Yvonne-087-2798582.

Minecraft, Lego & more: In the Irish Workhouse Centre. Bookings now taken for MineVention(Sun.18th Mar.) & Lego Mon. 19th Mar.). [E-mail-info@irishworkhousecentre.ie](mailto:info@irishworkhousecentre.ie) & drop in €10 to secure your place.

Host Families: Required for home-stay French students from 08th July-29th July & Spanish home-stay students for various dates in July.Tel: Marie Brady-087-4154983 for details & application form. Families must have a child aged 12-16yrs to participate in this programme.

Portumna Bouncing Castle Hire: Available for all occasions & events. Tel: 087-3643651 or Facebook@Portumna Bouncing Castles Hire.

Social Dancing Classes: In Portumna Town Hall each Thursday-8.30pm-10.30pm. Jive,Waltz,Quickstep,Line Dancing i.e Slosh. All welcome. Contact Anne-Marie-087-7827596 or Ciara-087-6663325.

Chiropody Clinic: Attending Hayes Pharmacy,Portumna on Tues.13th Mar.Thurs.15th Mar. Tues.27th Mar & Thurs. 29th Mar. for general & diabetic footcare. Tel:Emma at 086-1901247 for appointment. Homeclinic & Housecalls also available.

Portumna S.V.P Shop: Urgent Appeal for Ladies & Gents Clothing,Bric-a-Brac & Blankets. Open-Wed.-Sat.-12Noon-4pm.

Redwood NS Open Evening: On Thurs. 15th March. @7pm. Visit the school, meet with teachers,view the school resources & variety of activities carried out during the school year.Enrolment forms available from the school now or download from www.redwoodns.ie. If any parents require a private viewing & meet with teachers please contact-090-9747186 for appointment.

Lorrha National School: Taking enrolment for Sept. 2018. Tel: 090-9747295 for application form or call to school or it can be posted or download on www.lorrhans.ie. Annual Open Day on Wed. 14th Mar @1pm to view & talk to teachers. Bus service available on different routes-details in school. If this date is not suitable contact school for an appointment.

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.

Fr. Michael Byrnes P.P.,J.V. Tel: 090-9741092
Mobile: 087-6227468 Email: portumnaparishnewsletter@gmail.com
Radio Link- 102.6fm St. Vincent de Paul 087-3650922.

Portumna Parish Announcements:

Sun 11th Mar. 2018 The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sat. 10th Mar. 11.00am (M.M) Margaret McDonagh & Intention for Sharon McDonagh
7.00pm (A) Charlie & Bridie Hackett
7.00pm (A) Sean O'Hare
Sun. 11th Mar. 11.00am (A) Michael, Monica & Joe Dillon
(A) Tommy Fitzpatrick
Mon. 12th Mar. 10.00am Private Intention x 2
Tue. 13th Mar. 10.00am Private Intention
People of the Parish
Wed. 14th Mar 10.00am Private Intention
Thurs.15th Mar. 7.00pm (A) Private Intention
Fri. 16th Mar. 7.00pm (A) Tom Mannion
(A) John Murray
Sat. 17th Mar. 11.00am (A) Molly McMahon & Kate & Michael Holmes
11.00am (A) Ronald Hegarty & deceased family members
7.00pm (A) Georgina Hoary & Kitty & Bertie Larkin
(A) Private Intention
Sun. 18th Mar. 11.00am (A) Nora Flanagan

Ministers of the Word: Sat. 17th Mar. & Sun. 18th Mar.

7.00pm: Lillian O'Dwyer

11.00am: **1st Reading:**-Martha Tuohy **2nd Reading:** Aoibhinn Goode

Ministers for Holy Communion: Sat. 17th Mar. & Sun. 18th Mar.

7.00pm: A. Callanan, E Ryan, R. O'Rourke & 11.00am: A. Tuohy, P. Coleman, M. Blaney

Mass Servers: Sat. 17th Mar. & Sun. 18th Mar.

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

Masses: Church of the Ascension, Gortanumera

Sun. 11th Mar. 09.30am (A) Tom, Mai & Marie Conway & Ann Kennedy
(A) Nancy Gohery & Deceased members of the Gohery & Larkin families.

Sun. 18th Mar. 09.30am (A) Larry Cormac

Reader: Shane Connors

Portumna Parish Newsletter

Sunday

**11th March 2018
The Fourth Sunday of Lent**