

**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,UNLESS there is a 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Mass or a Months Mind. Any Intention will be offered at the funeral mass.**

**First Friday:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Calls will take place on 7<sup>th</sup> December at usual times with Fr Michael.

**NB:**2019 Church Offering Boxes available for collection at main entrance to St Brigid's Church.

**Family Carers Ireland:** Would like to thank most sincerely the people of the parish for their generosity at the recent Church Gate Collection which amounted to €401.52. The proceeds of this collection will be used to provide emergency respite and support/services for family carers in the local area.

**Famine Lecture:** In Irish Workhouse Centre on Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. hosted by Sth.East Galway Archaeological & Historical Society with lecture by Dr. Ciarán Reilly titled "A demon in human shape": Murder in Famine Ireland. Society will celebrate 20yrs next year so articles now sought for a bumper edition of the society journal in 2019.

**Portumna Credit Union:** Portumna Credit Union Offices will be closed for renovations from Tues.4<sup>th</sup> Dec.-Thurs.6<sup>th</sup> Dec. Grand opening on Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. with business as usual. Apologies for inconvenience caused.

**Chiropodist in Portumna Day Care Centre:** Attending Portumna Day Care Centre on Wed. 19<sup>th</sup> Dec. For appointment [Tel:086-3532672](tel:086-3532672).

**Galway Hospice Memorial Christmas Tree:** Will launch their Christmas Tree of Life celebration on the grounds of the Hospice on Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec.@5pm. All welcome to attend. Music by Mike Denver,Kiltulla Community Choir & lights switched on by RTE Dáithí Ó'Sé. Refreshments at hospice. Please join us to light up the winter sky with memories.

**Tribute Concert to Richard Bourke: NB: Change of Date-**Now on Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec .in Rathcabbin Church @8pm."Songs of Home and Family" will be presented. This is to honour Richard's memory and his legacy who was known far and wide for his musical talent,wonderful singing voice & key board accompaniment which he generously shared with many people throughout his life in his native Rathcabbin,Lorrha & parishes of Nth Tipperary & Diocese of Killaloe.

**Killimor Camogie:** Holding Christmas Cake Sale on Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. All homemade iced & uniced. To preorder-Tel:085-2098781. Bingo in Killimor Community Centre on Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. @8pm. All proceeds to Killimor Camogie.

**Portumna G.A.A:**No winner of Jackpot.numbers drawn were 3,6,14,16.No match three winner.Donation of €100 to East Galway & Midlands Cancer Care Support.Present Jackpot -€3400. A big "Thank You" to all who supported the funding raising night with Mike Denver last Friday night by purchasing tickets or attending on the night.A great night was had by all.**NB:**Club's AGM is **Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec.@2pm** in the Clubhouse.

**Portumna Arts Group:** AGM on Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup> Dec. @8pm in small hall of Portumna Town hall. All welcome to attend with ideas and support for Shorelines for 2019.

**12hr Indoor Cycle:** In Portumna Engine Room in aid of "The Mark Pollock Trust"(a pioneer to finding a cure to paralysis) on Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2019. Starts at 7am-6pm. Looking for people to cycle up to 1hour on spinning bikes.€20pp + donations welcome. To book your bike Tel: Sarah-087-2117262.

**Sale of Household Items:** In Portumna Town Hall on Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. from 10.45am-1pm. Items to include:- Washing Machine,Dishwasher,Pots/Pans,Delph/Glassware,Furniture items to include Writing Desk,Bric-a-Brac.All monies raised will go to Kathleen Sullivan(Athenry Nursing Home).

**Festive Friday:** At Hayes & Hayes Totalhealth Pharmacy on Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> Dec.-6pm-8pm. special offers,live music,in store raffle & a lot of festive spirit. All welcome.

**Chiropody Clinic:** In Hayes Pharmacy,Portumna on Tues.11<sup>th</sup>,Thurs. 13<sup>th</sup>,Fri.14<sup>th</sup> & Thurs.20<sup>th</sup> Dec.for general & diabetic footcare.

**Redwood N.S Christmas Variety Show:** Performed by the children of Redwood N.S on Tues.11<sup>th</sup> Dec. @7pm in Redwood Church.Show to incorporate music,song,hop hop dancing,choreographed by Dance It Out Ireland & "The Nativity".Admission **FREE**. Raffle(for hamper & plenty of spot prizes) and refreshments in school afterwards

**Lorrha Development/Tidy Towns 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Christmas Market & Auction:** On Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. from 1pm. Auction @2.30pm,Santa arriving 3pm. Stalls galore inside with auction of fuel,fodder,meal etc outside. Raffle for large food hamper,biscuits,wine & plenty more. For information [Tel:086-8493595](tel:086-8493595) or 086-8647166 or 090-9747196. Support much appreciated for the **ONLY** fundraiser of the year.

**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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**Holy Mass Times: St. Brigid's Church**

Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 11.00am (M.M.) Patricia Kilroy  
Holy Souls  
7.00pm (A) Shauna Gillane & Frank & Colman Gillane  
(1<sup>st</sup>A) Mary Hackett(nee Slevin) & Tony Hackett

Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 11.00am (A) Ryan & Cooney families  
(A) Sean Fahy

Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 10.00am Private Intention

Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10.00am Private Intention  
People of the Parish

Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10.00am Private Intention

Thurs.6<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.00pm (M.M) Sally Duggan  
(A) Mary Mitchell

Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 7.00pm Vigil Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
(1<sup>st</sup>A) Teresa Nevin  
(A) Mary,Jack & Sheila Donohue & Bridget & Thomas Keating

Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10.00am Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
7.00pm (A) Matthew Fitzpatrick  
(A) Thomas & Annie Mai Mitchell

Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec 11.00am (A) John Joe Shaughnessy  
(1<sup>st</sup>A) Ivy Patricia Warner & Gregory Warner

**Minister of the Word: Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. & Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

7.00pm: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Lillian O'Dwyer & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Isabelle Canning

11.00am: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Peter Ayres & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ava Downey

**Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. & Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

7.00pm:K O' Hare,B Mitchell,M Fahy 11.00am: J Dillon,P Lohan,P Joyce,

**Mass Servers: Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.& Sun.9<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

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

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

Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 09.30am (A) Tom Joe & Mai Hardiman

Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. 09.30am

Reader: Adrian Hoare

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**2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018**

**First Sunday of Advent**