

**Confessions:** Every Saturday-6.00pm-6.20pm in St. Brigid's Church,Portumna  
**Adoration**-2.00pm-7.00pm every Thursday & Friday

**NB: This week-end's Mass is on Page 332 of St. Paul Sunday Missal.**

**Annual Trip to Knock:** On Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> Sept.-Eve of Our Lady's Birthday. Details to follow. To reserve a seat Tel: Portumna Day Care Centre-090-9741740 or Anne-087-2800208.

**Carmelite Lourdes Pilgrimage Fundraiser:** Tea Party on Fri. 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug. in Portumna Town Hall with sit down supper @8.30pm followed by dancing to Sabrina Fallon. Tickets €15 on sale in O'Meara's/SuperValue,Portumna and at the door on the night.

**Midland Warmer Homes Scheme:** In conjunction with the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland is **FREE** to individuals in receipt of Fuel Allowance,Family Income Supplement,Job Seekers Allowance(for more than 6mths with a child/children under 7yrs.),One Parent Family Payment,Domicillary Care Allowance or Carers Allowance-living with the person you care for,the person must have their own house and house must be built before 2006. Only homes that have **NOT** received works can apply for this project. Works covered include-Attic,Cavity Wall,External Wall and Heating Installations-based on SEAI criteria and survey of house. For more information or application form Tel: 090-6488292 or e-mail-[info@midlandwarmerhomes.ie](mailto:info@midlandwarmerhomes.ie).

**Michel Deon Memoirs:** Dr. Eamon Maher,Tallaght IT.will launch Michel Deon's Memoirs on Sun.25<sup>th</sup> Aug.at 11.45am.Horseman Pass By,inTynagh School Hall then Christy Cunniffe(Archeologist) with John Joe Conwell(Historian) will launch-Kilcorban Priory-the story of Irelands oldest wooden statues and the miraculous Madonna,800 yrs old.

**Portiuncula University Hospital:** Currently Recruiting Volunteers. By giving a few hours of your time and skills you could improve the Patient Experience and contribute to the wellbeing of our patients and visitors. Please submit your expression of interest in writing to Ms Marita Fogarty,Director of Nursing,Portiuncula University Hospital,Ballinasloe,Co. Galway by Fri. 30<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2019.

**Brunch in aid of St. Vincent de Paul,Loughrea Conference:** In Rooftop Garden,Lough Rea Hotel & Spa on Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. from 10.30am-1pm. Tickets €10 available from SVP,T.L.O'Brien's,Main St. Loughrea or the hotel. Prizes galore sponsored by members. Loughrea Fatima Pilgrimage:

**Woodford Furnace Festival:** On Mon.19<sup>th</sup> Aug.-Sun.25<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2019 with charcoal making,furnace building,smelting and forging throughout the week. Also a series of events in Woodford Heritage Centre,all **FREE**. For details [Tel:090-9749309](tel:090-9749309) or check <https://www.furnacefestival.org/programme.html> or Facebook Woodford Furnace Festival.

**Portumna G.A.A:** There were two winners of last week's lotto jackpot. Numbers drawn were 4,9,13,24. Congratulations to Des Madden and Leon Downey. Each received €3600.00. The Senior championship resumes at the weekend with senior hurlers playing Liam Mellows in Loughrea @ Sat. @1pm. Best of luck to all involved.

**National Bridge Week-16<sup>th</sup> Aug.-25<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2019:** Organised in order to promote the game nationally. Portumna has 2 Bridge Clubs that meet weekly. There are 2 flyers in various shops in town with the relevant information. Portumna Contract Bridge Club meet on a Monday night in Portumna Town Hall.

**Heritage Week at Portumna Castle:** On **Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Aug.**-Play Croquet and Boules on the lawn as Lords and Ladies did in Past Times. On **Mon. 19<sup>th</sup> Aug.,Tues. 20<sup>th</sup> Aug.** and **Thurs. 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug.**-Garden Tours with Lynn from 11am-2pm each day. On **Fri. 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug.**-A presentation on the history of pursuits,leisure and hobbies from Past Times @7pm. Booking advisable as seating is limited. On **Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug.**-Lecture and Brochure Launch @2.30pm: A Snapshot of Portumna town,"1791" by Steve Dolan. **Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug.**-A presentation of the progression of musical instruments through the ages-2.30pm-5pm. This presentation caters for all the family. **FREE** admission to all events.

**Chiropodist in Portumna Day Care Centre:** On Wed. 21<sup>st</sup> Aug. For appointment Tel:086-3532672

**2019 Shorelines Art Exhibition:** A Call to Artists-Please bring your art work to the Irish Workhouse Centre,Portumna on **either Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> Sept.**-2.30pm - 4.30pm or **Mon. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept**-5pm-7pm. Exhibition Launch on Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> Sept.-5pm-7pm. Full details on [www.shorelinesartsfestival.com/calling-all-artists.html](http://www.shorelinesartsfestival.com/calling-all-artists.html) or Tel:087-6319890.

**Summer School:** A Summer School on local history will be held at the Irish Workhouse Centre on Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug.,Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug.and Sat. 31<sup>st</sup> Aug. from 10am-1pm each day. An excellent range of speakers will give presentations. All welcome.

**Chiropody Clinic:** In Hayes Pharmacy,Portumna on Mon.19<sup>th</sup> Aug. & Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Aug for general and diabetic footcare. Tel: Emma-086-1901247 for appointment.

**NB:** The protection of your personal data is important to us. We are happy to include your notice in our Parish Bulletin,**BUT** please ensure that you have received the consent of any persons referenced before submitting a notice to us.

**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. 17<sup>th</sup> Aug. 6.30pm (A) Pat & Mai Broder & Ann Broder  
(A) Kathleen(Kitty) Walsh  
Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.30am (A) Bridie Daly & Matilda Fahy  
Mon. 19<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.00am Private Intention  
Tues. 20<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.00am Private Intention  
People of the Parish  
Wed. 21<sup>st</sup> Aug 10.00am Private Intention  
Thurs. 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug 7.00pm Private Intention  
Fri. 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug 7.00pm Private Intention  
Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug 6.30pm (A) Jack Hoary & Meara family  
Private Intention  
Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.30am (A) William Murphy  
(A) Ambrose & Theresa Mullins, Cyril Mullins & Noreen Mullins

**Minister of the Word: Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug & Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug**

6.30pm: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ita Hynes & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Fiachra Callan  
10.30am: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: John Gannon & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Isabelle Canning

**Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug & Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug**

6.30pm E Ryan, M Connors, N Hayes 10.30am: S O'Dwyer, S Smith Tuohy, P Lohan

**Mass Servers:**

Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. 6.30pm=Team (A) & Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug. 10.30am=Team (C)

**St. Peter & Pauls, Boula**

Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Aug: 9.15am

Reader: Rose Dolphin

Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug. 9.15am

Reader: Patrick Donohue

# Portumna Parish Newsletter

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

**Twentieth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**