

**Confessions:** Every Saturday-6.00pm-6.20pm in St. Brigid's Church,Portumna

**Adoration**-2.00pm-7.00pm every Thursday & Friday

**This week-end's Mass is on Page 94 of St. Paul Sunday Missal.**

Church Gate Collection in aid of Abalta(Special school for children with Autism) will take place this week-end.

Church Gate Collection in aid of Irish Wheelchair Association will take place next week-end 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> February.

2<sup>nd</sup> Basket Collection for Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes for 2020 this week-end.

Blessing of the Throats (St Blaise) will take place on Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> February. after 10am Mass.

3<sup>rd</sup> Holy Communion Preparation Mass will take place next Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

**Special Loughrea Group Christmas Pilgrimage** to the Holy Land: For 8 nights,also 20<sup>th</sup> July for 8 nights ex Dublin.

Taking in Bethlehem,Jerusalem Mount Tabor,Cana,Nazareth,Jericho,River Jordan,Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee. Tel: James-086-05722 or office-01-8783111.

**Local Pilgrimage to Fatima Easter 2020:** From 8<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> April for 5nts with Full Board taking in all the major sights to include day trips to Santerim where Bleeding Host took place and Lisbon to see St. Anthony's Church and Baptismal Font. Tel: James Treacy-086-0572216.

**Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages Apr.-Oct.2020:** 7night stay and airport shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €266pp sharing. Book any flight any time and shuttle service will be provided. Tel: 01-4434510 or [e-mail-reservations@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:e-mail-reservations@med-irishcentre.com).

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage ex Cork** 30<sup>th</sup> June-7<sup>th</sup> July 2020. Cost is €725.00pps(half board in Hotel Leone,2mins walk from Church. **Spiritual Director**-Fr. Pat O'Donoghue,**Group Leader**-Sean O'Shaughnessy. Deposit of €200.00 secures a place. Some places still available. [Tel:086-2959380](tel:086-2959380) or Joe Walsh Tours-01-2410800.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage 2020:** Organiser Fr. Benny McHale(Athenry) has organized pilgrimage to The Holy Land from Tues. 23<sup>rd</sup> June-Fri.4<sup>th</sup> July 2020.It is advisable to book as soon as possible. [Tel:091-844227](tel:091-844227).

**Portumna G.A.A:** No winner of last week's lotto jackpot. Numbers drawn were 6,19,26,28. No match three winner.Donation to Local Charity.Jackpot now €3200.00.

**Portumna Tús Community Work Placement Scheme:** Have a number of Vacancies in Portumna and surrounding area. If you are in receipt of Job seekers Allowance payment for a minimum of 12mths,interested in developing new skills and re-joining the work force for 19.5hrs per week in a family friendly manner,please call contact Galway Rural Development,Tús Office on St. Brendan's St.Portumna(Starr's building) or Tel: Yvonne-087-7113029 for more information.

**Western Alzheimer's:** Seek volunteers for our befriending service. Meeting in Shearwater Hotel, Ballinasloe on Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup> February @11am. Tel: 091-565193 for further information.

**Annual Service of Remembrance:** For parents who have experienced bereavement through loss of a baby or child will be held in Portiuncula Hospital Chapel on Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> February @7.30pm.Light refreshments served afterwards. All welcome to attend.

**Word of Thanks:** Portumna Social Services would like to acknowledge monies received from Killeen Community Night in McDonagh's,Kilcorban on Fri. 27<sup>th</sup> December 2019 last. It is much appreciated for all efforts on the night.

**Chiropody Clinic:** In Hayes Pharmacy,Portumna on Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> ,Mon. 10<sup>th</sup>,Mon.17<sup>th</sup>.,and Mon. 24<sup>th</sup> February for general and diabetic footcare. For appointment [Tel:087-3344530](tel:087-3344530).

**Silent Retreat:** In St. Mary's Knock,Co Mayo on 24<sup>th</sup> February.-1<sup>st</sup> March. Preached by Fr. Kilian Byrne. Cost is €440 for full board. Tel: Helen-00353861678027 or [e-mail-hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com). Visit [www.foyerofcharity.ie](http://www.foyerofcharity.ie).

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**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> Feb 11.00am Mass for the Dead offered for John Gorman  
6.30pm (M.M) Mary Moran  
Private Intention  
Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 10.30am (A) Agnes Heagney & deceased family members  
Private Intention  
Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 10.00am (A) Marty Mullins  
Private Intention  
Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> Feb 10.00am Private Intention  
People of the Parish  
Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 10.00am Private Intention  
**Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 10.00am** (A) Mary Ellen Moore  
Private Intention  
Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 7.00pm (A) Vincent Dillon  
Private Intention  
Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 11.00am (1<sup>st</sup>A) Mary Ward  
6.30pm (A) Tessie Mannion  
(A) Brendan & Dympna Callanan  
Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 10.30am (A) Desmond Durack  
(A) Billy Salmon

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

**6.30pm: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Courtney Duane

**10.30am: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Emma Burke & **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Alannah Larkin

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

**6.30pm** N Hayes, B Mitchell, R O'Rourke **10.30am:** P Coleman, M Lewis, S O'Dwyer

**Mass Servers:**

**Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Feb. 6.30pm=Team (E) Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Feb. 10.30am=Team (B)**

**St. Peter & Paul's, Boula**

**Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb.** 9.15am (A) Vincent & Elizabeth O'Meara

**Reader:** Ann Heagney

**Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Feb.** 9.15am (A) Josie Dolphin, Kitty Dolphin, Gerard Dolphin & Joe Dolphin

**Reader:** Adrian Hoare

# Portumna Parish Newsletter

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020**  
**The Presentation of the Lord**