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**EVERY BLESSING ON THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR  
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Fr. Ciprian led an opening of the School Year Prayer Service with the pupils of Scoil Bhríde during the week. We wish the pupils, teachers, staff and all the families attached to the School every blessing for a happy and fruitful year ahead.



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## Living In Wholeness

You must have met people who blame God when bad things happen. Do those same people give credit to God when good things happen? Today's gospel reading is a lesson on living in gratitude and wholeness.

Jesus cures ten lepers and nine of them hurry off with-

out a word of thanks. Presumably they can't wait to get back to their families and loved ones. They can't wait to get back to where they left off. They can't wait to get back to 'normality'. To the nine lepers Jesus must have seemed nothing more than a biblical paramedic. How often do we fall into the same trap? We pray to God to help us through some crisis, but when the crisis blows over, do we remember to thank God or do we heave sigh of relief and carry on as 'normal'?

The one leper who returned to thank Jesus recognised that his life would never be 'normal' again. Something extraordinary had happened; his life had been touched by God. The nine lepers who returned to normality knew they had been made well, but the one who returned to thank Jesus recognised that not only had he been made well ..... he had been made whole. The leper who returned was not about to forget what God had done for him. The leper who returned was bubbling over with gratitude.

We all have reasons to bubble over with gratitude to God. The key to living in wholeness is to appreciate when God lifts us from 'normality' and 'ordinariness'.



## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention

### A Church Open To Everyone

Pope Francis tells us, "Let us ask for the grace to overcome the temptation to judge and categorize," he says, "and may God preserve us from the 'nest' mentality, that of jealously guarding ourselves in the small group of those who consider themselves good." Pope Francis warns that sometimes there are groups of people, which close themselves off to outsiders. "All this runs the risk of turning Christian communities into places of separation and not of communion. The Holy Spirit does not want closedness; He wants openness, and welcoming communities where there is a place for everyone." We are invited to join in Pope Francis's prayer intention for October, "...We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality."

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prayed at the Grotto at 8pm.

All are welcome.

**Service of Remembrance:** The Maternity Department at Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise, warmly welcomes you and your family to attend a Service of Remembrance on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30pm in Portlaoise Parish Church. This annual service is held in memory of all babies who have died, and of all pregnancy losses, however recent, however long ago.

**Thank You:** Laois Guide Dogs would like to thank all the volunteers who helped with our church gate collections recently. It was a real testament to the generosity of the people of Laois, and we raised a fantastic amount of €6,072, which is just brilliant! A hearty thanks to all those who took part!

**Laois Heritage Society:** A brief history and a pictorial farewell to the peat railways of county Laois by Sean Cain, Abbeyleix Heritage House, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm. €3 or free for members, annual membership €20. E-mail; laoisheritagesociety@gmail.com

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The closing date for applications is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 1pm. Applications are available to download from our school website (portlaoiseCBS.com), our school App, or by e-mailing stmarys@portlaoiseCBS.com and from the school office. They will be distributed in the primary schools also.

**Medjugorje September '22:** Mary's Hands Medjugorje run by Jacov the youngest Visionary, would like to thank you for your generous donation to the Poor in Medjugorje (money raised through end of year Rosary donations). €1,500 was given to Mary's Hands and €1,600 was given directly to families for firewood and utility bills, total €3,100. Holy Mass was offered for the people of Portlaoise on 21<sup>st</sup> September by Fr. Martin Shanahan.

## Results of Whist Drive held in the Parish Centre on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October;

**Top score:** Mary Delaney

**1<sup>st</sup> Lady:** G. McCormack

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lady:** Tom Jacob

**1<sup>st</sup> Gent:** Frank Keenan

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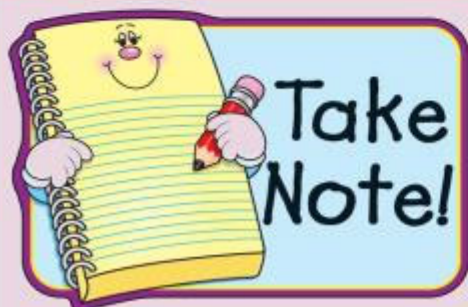
Thanks to everyone for their support. Whist continues every Tuesday in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm.

**Portlaoise Active Retirement** meet every Wednesday in the Parish Centre. The club are going on their autumn holiday to Donegal on 10<sup>th</sup> October so there will be no club that week, it will resume again on 19<sup>th</sup> with exercises and fun with Moez. Bowls will resume Mon. 17<sup>th</sup> October in St. Mary's sports hall. Please support, beginners very welcome, full tuition given, all ages and level of fitness welcome. Cards in Sue Ryder Centre Kilminchy every Thursday afternoon 3pm, all welcome for a game of cards and chat, tuition given free. For further information on the club please contact P.R.O. on 087-6204617.

**Ballyfin Vintage & Veteran Club;** Following the tremendous success of the Field & Threshing Day held on 7<sup>th</sup> August, Ballyfin Vintage & Veteran Club in support of local needs and charities, will host a presentation evening on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 9pm in The Deadmans Inn, Ballyfin. All are welcome.

**Join with us to pray the Rosary via Portlaoise Parish webcam daily at 9:30am, 7pm, 9:30pm.**

*Rosary will be prayed at the Grotto after evening Mass on the First Friday of every month.*



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## The Thankful Leper



A friend of mine recently had a baby and I sent them a gift for the new baby. Last week I received this "Thank You" card

in the post. Inside of the card it says, "Thank you so much for your gift. It was just what we needed for our new baby." You know, it really made me feel good that our friends took the time to send us a card to say, "Thank You."

Don't you just hate it when someone does something nice for you and your mother prompts you by saying, "Now, what do you say?" You knew what to say, didn't you? We all know what to say, but unfortunately, we sometimes forget to say it. That is what happened in the Gospel today.

Our Gospel today is about ten lepers. Do you know what a leper is? No, it is not an animal with spots on it. That's a leopard! However, a leper does have spots. A leper is a person who has a disease called leprosy. This disease causes sores all over the body. Leprosy was very common in Jesus' day, and people who had this disease were thought to be unclean. They were required to stay away from other people because of the fear that they might infect them with their disease.

One day, Jesus was walking through a small village when he saw a group of ten lepers. They stood far away from Jesus and called to him, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us." Obviously, they knew who Jesus was and that he had the power to heal them. When Jesus heard them, he called back to the lepers and said, "Go, show yourself to the priest."

As the lepers went on their way to see the priest, they looked at their skin and the sores were gone. Jesus had healed their disease. They were so happy that they ran up and down the streets singing and dancing. Suddenly, one of them stopped and went back. Praising God with a loud voice, he threw himself at Jesus' feet and said, "Thank You." Jesus said to him, "Weren't there ten who were healed? Where are the other nine?" Only one out of ten remembered to say, "Thank You."

God does so much for us! Every day he provides everything we need: food, clothing, and a place to live. Do we ever forget to say, "Thank You?" Let's stop right now and say "Thank You" and ask God to help us remember to thank Him every day.

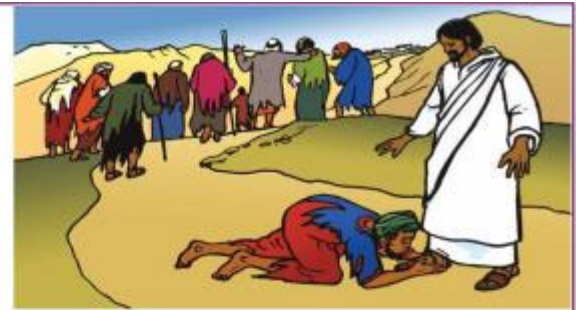
### My Prayer

Father, help me to appreciate my health, family, friends and everything I am given. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# Jesus Heals Ten Lepers

*One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. Luke 17:15*



Choose the word that best matches the definition.

- \_\_\_ 1. An infectious disease that damages a person's nerves and skin  
**A. mumps**    **B. influenza**    **C. malaria**    **D. leprosy**
- \_\_\_ 2. A community smaller than a city  
**A. metropolis**    **B. country**    **C. village**    **D. state**
- \_\_\_ 3. A person ordained to perform religious duties in the church  
**A. teacher**    **B. priest**    **C. leper**    **D. usher**
- \_\_\_ 4. To restore to health  
**A. infect**    **B. heal**    **C. praise**    **D. leprosy**
- \_\_\_ 5. To rid of impurities by or as if by washing  
**A. cleanse**    **B. praise**    **C. glorify**    **D. priest**
- \_\_\_ 6. To honour, worship, and express admiration to God  
**A. heal**    **B. cleanse**    **C. praise**    **D. thank**
- \_\_\_ 7. To express gratitude to someone for something they have done.  
**A. cleanse**    **B. heal**    **C. faith**    **D. thank**
- \_\_\_ 8. The number equal to 7+3  
**A. ten**    **B. twelve**    **C. nine**    **D. eleven**



**One leper  
thanks Jesus**

*The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary  
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.*

**Hail Mary...**

*Behold the handmaid of the Lord*

*Be it done unto me according to thy word.*

**Hail Mary...**

*And the Word was made flesh.*

*And dwelt among us.*

**Hail Mary...**

*Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God*

*That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord,

Your Grace into our hearts;

that as we have known the incarnation of Christ,

your Son by the message of an angel,

so by His passion and cross

we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.

Through the same Christ, our Lord.



Do you know how to say  
the Angelus? Why don't  
you say this prayer with  
your family today.





# Time to Think!

## WHAT IS PEACE OF MIND?

Peace of mind, is a feeling of being safe or protected, it is the absence of worry. It's achieving a calm state of mind regardless of your situation and circumstances. The most important step to achieving peace is to acknowledge the fact that you have control over your mind, including your thoughts and how you respond to others. If you refuse to take responsibility for your reactions to others then you will never live in peace. However, when you accept that you are in control of how you respond to people and situations you can begin to make progress in this area instead of living controlled by things that are happening around you.

Here are 7 tips to help you stay focused in order to experience peace of mind.

### 1. Nourish your Spirituality

Every person has spirituality. Whatever moves or expresses your spirit or inner energy is part of your spirituality. In some senses your spirituality is expressed in every aspect of your personal and public life. It is part of who you are, woven into and expressed through every thought, feeling, and action. There are many definitions of spirituality. Any of them can be helpful in understanding this important yet mysterious part of life.

Ultimately, none of them captures the whole reality, but what becomes clear is that spirituality has these core elements.

A nourished spirituality allows you to push out the worrying and nagging thoughts that creep into your mind. It helps you to take control of anxiety and stress. This allows you to experience peace even if things in life aren't perfect, and the physical benefits are numerous.

### 2. Limit your use of Social Media

There are things that are good about social media, but there are also lots of studies that show the ways that it can be harmful to the mental health of its users. The use of social media tends to cause us to compare the good, the bad, and the ugly of our lives with the highlight reel that friends and family are sharing. The messy parts of your life are never going to compare with the highlights that other people are sharing. Therefore, if you are struggling with peace and constantly find yourself comparing yourself to others on social media it can be best to stay off the platforms. Social media is also a distraction. It feeds our FOMO (fear of missing out) craving. With access to social media on our phones, it's easy to be tempted into stopping what you are trying to work on or think about in order to "check" what's going on with friends and family.

### 3. Let go of the Past

Getting hung up on the things that have happened in the past make it difficult to stay focused on the present and the future. Focusing our attention on things that we cannot change makes it difficult to maintain peace of mind. If there is something from the past that you can correct, then do it. Otherwise, it's time to forgive others, forgive yourself, and move on.

### 4. Don't be easily offended

It is much easier to maintain peace of mind when you let things roll off your back. If you take offense at every little thing that other people do and say, you will remain in a constant state of frustration. Your thoughts will feel out of control and you will quickly lose your peace. However, if you focus on believing the best in others you are shifting your thoughts which will make finding peace much easier.

### 5. Choose your battles carefully

If you make it your personal mission to correct everyone who is doing something you don't agree with you are going to live in a constant state of strife. And it will be near impossible to keep your mind focused on what you want to focus on. Just like parents are taught to choose their battles with their children, you want to do the same thing with the people and situations you face daily. For example, you might not agree with a conversation that is happening between your co-worker and your boss, but if you are not part of the conversation it's best to stay out of it. If you choose to involve yourself you could be putting yourself in a position of choosing sides, putting your job at risk, and adding stress that you don't want in your life.



### 6. Make time to Journal

Journaling is a great way to release those thoughts that are bogging down your mind. You can write out your stresses and worries and then once they are out of your head, release them altogether. Some people like to rip up or burn the paper as a symbolic way of showing that they are letting go of those thoughts. Journaling also helps you to process through situations and see things in a different light. Take the time to write about your day, learn from it, and move on from it.

### 7. Incorporate times of Silence and Solitude into your Schedule

Constantly being in the hustle and bustle of life is a sure-fire way to lose peace of mind and focus. This doesn't mean that you should avoid people at all costs, however, taking time to get away from everyone else and be in total silence can help you to reconnect with yourself. If you find that you have lost all peace, you might need to take a solitude retreat. You could get away for a weekend alone or simply an afternoon. Find a quiet place to retreat to. Allow yourself to think about the thoughts that have been rolling around in your head. Then, decide how to deal with those thoughts. Allow yourself to recharge during this time. Sometimes it can be difficult to realise what we are thinking and how those thoughts are impacting us. If you are struggling to obtain peace of mind you could benefit from a conversation with a local therapist. They know the right questions to ask to help you get to the root of your struggle. Then, they can provide you with actionable steps to help you find and live in peace.

## *The Serenity Prayer*

*God grant me the serenity*

*To accept the things I cannot change;*

*Courage to change the things I can;*

*And wisdom to know the difference.*

*Living one day at a time;*

*Enjoying one moment at a time;*

*Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;*

*Taking, as He did, this sinful world*

*As it is, not as I would have it;*

*Trusting that He will make things right*

*If I surrender to His Will;*

*So that I may be reasonably happy in this life*

*And supremely happy with Him*

*Forever and ever in the next. Amen.*

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**Mondays at 10am**

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**Monday at 10am**  
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### THRIVE & SURVIVE YOGA & MEDITATION

12.30pm - 1.30pm  
Booking Essential

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A Citizens Information Adviser will give you advice about the financial help you may be entitled to and will help you to navigate the process. e.g., medical card application etc

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There are a number of these ministries listed below and we would love to get more of you involved. If you are interested please tick one or more of the ministries and include your name, phone number and email address and we will be contact with you about upcoming training.

Please Tick



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Altar Server (open from 3rd Class)	
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I give Portlaoise Parish permission to contact me in relation to the relevant ministry activities

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THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY ;**



*John Byrne*

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Portlaoise



*Peter Keenan*

Portlaoise/Dublin

*Even though I walk through the darkest  
valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me;  
Your rod and your staff - they comfort me.*

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**  
*Our sympathy to their families.*

A message of sympathy may be left for the family by logging on to  
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*In Loving Memory of*  
**MARGARET CULLEN**

*Harpurs Lane, Portlaoise.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary occurs 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022.*



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in  
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, this  
**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 10am.**

*Just a prayer from the family that loved  
you, just a memory fond and true,  
In our hearts you will live forever,  
Because we thought the world of you.*

**Sadly missed and always remembered by your loving  
family and friends.**

*Rest in Peace Margaret*

*In Loving Memory of*  
**JOHN FAHY**

*55 Beladd, Stradbally Rd., Portlaoise.*

*10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 15<sup>th</sup> October 2022*



**Dad;**

We miss you everyday,  
You were so precious and unique,  
A guiding light throughout our lives,  
You were our strength when we were  
weak.

Happy memories flood our minds,  
Whenever we think of you,

But you can never be replaced, that much is sadly true.  
The fact that you're no longer here still fills our hearts with  
pain, we wish we had just one last chance,

To talk to you again.

We shall always remember the closeness that we had,

We love you and miss you so much,

Our kind and wonderful Dad.

*Love you always*

*James, Ber, Sharon, Elaine, Dor, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law,  
grandchildren and great-grandchildren xxx*

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's  
Parish Church, Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 12:30pm.

*Rest in Peace John*

*In Loving Memory of*  
**WILLIAM (Billy) Kelly**

*59 Newpark. 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022*

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated  
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Church this  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm

*Your gentle face and patient smile  
with sadness we recall,  
You had a kindly word for each and  
died beloved by all.*

**Sadly missed by all his loving family and friends.**

*May Billy Rest in Peace*



*In Loving Memory of*  
**CATHERINE (Kate) BROPHY**

*Market Sq. Portlaoise. 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs at this time.*



**"A loving Mother with a Heart of Gold"**

*Will those who think of her today,  
A little prayer to Jesus say.*

Lovingly remembered by your son John  
and Rita, daughter Phyllis and Peter  
and grandchildren.

*May Catherine Rest in Peace*

**In Loving Memory of  
PAT DOWLING**

*Ballycarroll, Portlaoise.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary occurred 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022*



1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in the Church of the Assumption, the Heath, this Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30am.

*In the hearts of those who loved you,  
You will always be there.*

*Sadly missed and always remembered by  
your family, friends and neighbours.*

*Rest in Peace Pat*

**In Loving Memory of  
DAMIEN CONNOLLY**

*Springfield, Ballyfin, Co. Laois.*

*11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurred 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022*



If I could have a wish come true,  
A dream that's come to pass,  
I'd ask to spend a day with you,  
And pray that it would last.  
I'd run to you and hold you close,  
We'd laugh and smile again,  
I'd listen so intently, as you told me  
how you've been.

When time was up I'd hold you close,  
not wanting to let go,  
You'd smile and tell me, "see you soon", and somehow I  
would know, that while it's very hard to wait,  
One day the time will come.

I'll join you there forevermore, when I too am called  
home.

My wish may go ungranted, but it will always be true,  
I'd trade many tomorrows, for one yesterday with you.

*Miss you so much, your wife Jacinta xx*

*Rest in Peace Damien*

**In Loving Memory of  
CHRISTY KEENAN**

*Rossleighan, Portlaoise.*

*6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022.*



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 10am.

*Your life was one of kindly deeds,  
A helping hand for others needs,  
Sincere and true in heart and mind,  
Beautiful memories left behind.*

*Sadly missed by Pat, Ger and Claire  
Scully, neighbours and friends.*

*Rest in Peace Christy*

**In Loving Memory of my Dear Brother  
PADDY GORMAN**

*Late of Ballacolla Village.*

*20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurred 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022.*



*Today I light a candle and say a  
little prayer,*

*For a very special Brother,*

*I loved so very dear.*

*R.I.P. Pat, until we meet again.*

*Always remembered by your loving  
sister Kathleen.*

*Rest in Peace Paddy*

**In Loving Memory of  
KEVIN GRAHAM**

*Ballydavis North, Portlaoise.*

*8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022*



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm.

*Just a prayer from the family who loved you,  
Just a memory fond and true,  
In our hearts you will live forever,  
Because we thought the world of you.*

*Always remembered & sadly missed by all his loving family.*

*May Kevin Rest in Peace*

**In Loving Memory of  
NIAL WALSH**

*Stradbrook and Dysart, Portlaoise.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary occurs 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022.*

*Thinking of you today and always x*

*Rest in Peace Nial*

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*And his brother FINT*

*Formerly of Cromogue, Kilbricken and Kent, England.  
5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022.*



*You're not just a memory  
silently kept,  
You are both part of a family  
that will never forget.  
Deeply missed and always  
in our hearts.*



*Rest in Peace*

**In Loving Memory of  
LIAM (Bill) HORAN**

*23 Grattan St., Portlaoise.  
10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022.*

*Anniversary Mass will be celebrated  
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church,  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 6:30pm.*



*Daddy*

*When God was making Fathers,  
He must have made a fuss.  
He spent a lot of time on one and  
gave that one to us.*

*Of all the gifts in life, however great or small.  
To have you as our Daddy was the greatest gift of all.*

*Always loved and missed by Hannah, Andy, Cian,  
Pat, Fiona, Jason and Rachel.*

*May Liam Rest in Peace*

**In Loving Memory of  
WILLIAM BOHAN**

*34 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise. 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary occurs 9<sup>th</sup> October.*



*The years we spent together, we keep within our  
hearts, they hold precious memories that will  
never let us part, unspoken thoughts, no outward  
show, but deep inside we miss you so.  
Each one thought the world of you, for us you did  
your best, and now we pray the Lord will grant  
your soul eternal rest.*

*Always remembered, Billy, John, Michael, Maurice, Eugene, Dermot,  
Brian, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, sisters-in-law and  
brothers-in-law.*

*May William Rest in Peace*

*let His light shine.*



**In Loving Memory of  
EOIN FINGLETON**

*Sallins and formerly of Ballytegan, Portlaoise.  
Died 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019*



*3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Mass will be celebrated  
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, this  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 12.30pm.*

*Never more than a thought away,  
Deep in our hearts you will always stay,  
Loved and remembered everyday.*

*Sadly missed by his Dad, Mam, sisters Aoife and Ciara,  
brother Brian, Sarah, nephew Cillian, nieces Aine and  
Eabha, extended family and friends.*

*Rest in Peace Eoin*

**In Loving Memory of  
MICHAEL GAYNOR**

*Whose 48<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurred 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022.*



*Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in  
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church this  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm.*

*You are with us dad when the morning  
breaks and as the day departs,  
For God has left a special gift of  
footprints in our hearts.*

*Lovingly remembered Dad today and forever, by all your loving family xxx*

*May Michael Rest in Heavenly Peace*

**In Loving Memory of our Dad  
PATRICK DOYLE**

*Formerly 37 Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise.  
Died 7/10/1978.*

*44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurred 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022.*



*Dad*

*Look around your garden Lord,  
He won't be hard to find,  
He has a face that's full of love,  
And a heart that's good and kind.  
Tell him that we love him,  
And when he turns and smiles,  
Put your arms around him,  
And hold him for a while.*

*Lots of love always, missed dearly by your loving son Joe  
and daughters Ellen, Guggie and Mary and families xxx*

*Rest in Peace Dad*

*If we have died with him,  
then we shall live with him*

*2 Timothy 2:11*

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May the wind be always at your back,  
May the sun shine warm upon your face;  
the rains fall soft upon your fields  
and until we meet again,  
may God hold you in the palm of  
His hand.*

## Portlaoise Parish



## Results for 6th October 2022

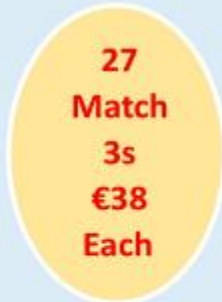


No €15,000 Jackpot Winner

### WINNERS

Teresa Timmons  
 Matthew Lalor  
 Clooney Family  
 Sharon Malone  
 Nuala Arrigan  
 Tony O'Brien  
 Tom Lantry  
 Christy Cahill Jnr  
 Brendan Whelan  
 Kathleen Dunne  
 Paul Hyland  
 Frank Cullen  
 Anne Marie Phelan  
 Bartle & Alva Dunne  
 The Two Connors  
 Mr Mac  
 Thomas Nevin  
 Jack Rafter  
 Noel Lynch  
 Teresa Hibbitts  
 Susan Hartford  
 Mary Breen  
 Paul Cullen  
 Isobel Farrell  
 Pauline Phelan  
 Michael & Mary William  
 Benny Russell

### MATCH 3s €1,000



### PROMOTER

Tommy Timmons  
 Richard Phelan  
 Paul Dooley  
 Online Lotto  
 Online Lotto  
 Tommy Timmons  
 Lotto Gift  
 Tommy Timmons  
 Lily Whelan  
 Kathleen Dunne  
 John Loughlin  
 Frank Cullen  
 Paul Dooley  
 Bartle Dunne  
 Lisa O'Brien  
 Elizabeth Dowling  
 Paul Dooley  
 Anthony Preston  
 Betty Lynch  
 Peter Ryan  
 Geraldine Greene  
 Chris Holohan  
 Jerry Dooley  
 Jerry Dooley  
 Margaret Doheny  
 Mai Murphy  
 Bernie Phelan

Next Week's Jackpot is €16,000

## Clergy of the Parish



Msgr. John Byrne P.P.V.G.  
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Fr. David Vard C.C.  
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Deacon Eugene Keyes  
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To contact the Priest on Duty:  
 Parish Centre during office hours  
 Tel: 057 8621142  
 Outside office hours  
 in emergency only  
 Tel: 057 8621364

### Safeguarding

All safeguarding statements and policies can  
 viewed on our website and our Church Porches.  
 Diocesan Designated Liaison Person  
 Kathleen Sherry safeguarding@kandle.ie

### Parish Centre



Office Hours Monday to Friday 9am-5pm  
 Phone: 057-8621142 / 057-8660722  
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**MANAGER** Declan Kelly

**Parish Secretaries** Michelle Bartley

Agnieszka Kaczmarek

**Accounts** Michelle Conroy

**Sacristans Parish Church**

Sr. Sybil and Sr. Julie

All Masses and services from the Parish Church and  
 the Heath Church are live streamed  
[www.portlaoiseparish.ie](http://www.portlaoiseparish.ie)

(Sacristy phone attended prior to Mass times  
 057 8600119)



**Secretary:** Julie Conroy

Monday to Thursday

11am to 1pm & 2.15pm to 5pm

057-8692154

Advertising deadline: 12 noon Wednesday

Subject to availability of space

E-mail: linkup@portlaoiseparish.ie

PARISH SHOP

057 8621142 - Claire Scully

### Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kings 5:14-17 | Psalm 97:1-4 | 2 Timothy 2:8-13 | Luke 17:11-19

### Support for the Parish

We have traditionally depended on the passing of the collection baskets at Sunday Masses for support. *Thank you* to the many who have found new ways of continuing to support the Parish during this time of Lockdown. The generosity of so many means we **continue to** be well supported and can pay our way at this time.

#### Ways to contribute to our Parish

Envelope boxes available at Church porches and Parish Centre

Direct payment by cheque or cash

Cashless Point at the back of the Parish Church

Donation facility on our website

Standing Order forms available at the Parish Centre

Or Transfer directly to our Account

**Portlaoise Parish Account:**

IBAN: IE53AIBK93327916658045

**Portlaoise Parish Clergy Fund Account:**

IBAN: IE12AIBK93327916658201

(The BIC for both accounts is AIBKIE2D)

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