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4th May 2025

Third Sunday of Easter



The process of choosing a new Pope is called a *conclave*—from the Latin *cum clave*, meaning "with a key," since the cardinals are literally locked in until a decision is made, a tradition going back to 1274. Held in the Sistine Chapel in Vatican City, the conclave gathers all cardinals under the age of 80. They pray, discuss, and vote in secret, needing a two-thirds majority to elect a new Pope. White smoke from the chapel's chimney signals to the world: *Habemus Papam*—"We have a Pope!" We will pray for them during the *Conclave*. See more about the *Conclave* on page 12.

Come, Holy Spirit,
Guide the hearts and minds of the Cardinals
as they discern the one you have chosen
to shepherd your Church in love and truth.
Grant them wisdom, courage, and unity.
May the new Pope be a faithful servant,
a sign of hope, and a bridge of peace.
Amen

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Second Chances

After the Resurrection, we might have expected the disciples to rush off in a frenzy of enthusiasm spreading the good news, but no, today we find them back on the lake fishing. When you stop for a minute to imagine what it might have been like to be in Peter's shoes perhaps it isn't all that surprising. Peter had given up everything for Jesus and promised his all. But despite all his promises, Peter had ended up denying Jesus three times. Almost certainly he would have been suffering from feelings of crippling guilt and insurmountable failure. Is it really any wonder that fishing suddenly seemed a more attractive option than evangelising?

But for Jesus, giving up is not an option. Jesus appears at dawn by the lakeside where he asks Peter. "Do you love me?" Three times Jesus asks the same question ... the same number of times that Peter had previously denied him. It's as though Jesus is giving Peter the chance to put right a wrong. This is part of Peter's healing process. This is Peter's big chance to put his hopes and dreams back on track. Then Jesus, who has known all along what is in Peter's heart, gives him a gentle reminder of his commission to shepherd his Church.

There's a heartening message for us too in this story. How many times do we see in the Bible people getting not just second chances but third and fourth chances? We can get things wrong and we can let ourselves down ... but God who knows what is in our hearts, reminds us that he is there to take away the burden of our guilt and of our failures and set before us new horizons and second chances. We are not expected to be perfect; we are only expected to be human.

For Our Younger Parishioners

Remember over the next couple of weeks to pray for our younger parishioners many of who are in the middle of exams and exam preparation. We pray that they are able to do themselves justice, no more and no less. Whatever the outcome we will be proud of them.

Mass times for the coming week
(Parish Church or otherwise stated)

Monday (Bank Holiday): 10am

Tuesday - Friday: 7.30am & 10am

Saturday: 10am

Sunday

Vigil 6.30pm (Saturday)

8.30am, 10am, 11.15am & 12.30pm

Church of the Assumption, The Heath

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CONFESSIONS

Saturday: After 10am Mass & after 6.30pm Mass.

Thought for the Day

All things rising, all things sizing

Mary sees, sympathising

With that world of good,

Nature's motherhood.

Their magnifying of each its kind

With delight calls to mind

How she did in her stored

Magnify the Lord.

This ecstasy all through mothering earth

Tells Mary her mirth till Christ's birth

To remember and exultation

In God who was her salvation.

*'May Magnificat' Gerard Manley Hopkins
(1844-1889)*



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Caelan Noah Irwin, Berryridge Avenue

Who were baptised last weekend.

Papal Prayer Intention for May

We are each unique and unrepeatable, but before we make our contribution in the work place, we have to know our gifts? Do you know your gifts? Do you use them to serve others in your work? God trusts each



of us to use the gifts he has given you for the good of all. In the month of May we are invited to join in with the Papal prayer intention. "Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanised."

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7:00-8:00 PM (Beginners)

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In Irish, you would say, "Mo grá thú!"

In German, you would say, "Ich liebe dich!" Can you say that?

In Polish, you would say, "Kocham Cie!"

In Spanish, you would say, "¡Te amo!" That is pretty easy -- try it!

In sign language, you would say, "I love you" like this.

I know that you can all say, "I love you!" in sign language!



You know, it is pretty easy to say, "I love you," but it is sometimes a lot harder to show it by our actions. That is what our Bible story is about today.

After Jesus was raised from the dead, he appeared to his disciples several times. On the third time that Jesus appeared to his disciples, he was with them on the shore by the Sea of Galilee. He turned to Peter and said, "Peter, do you love me?"

Peter answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Then, Jesus said to Peter, "Feed my lambs."

Jesus asked Peter again, "Do you love me?"

Again, Peter answered, "Yes Lord, I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Take care of my sheep."

A third time Jesus asked Peter, "Do you love me?"

Now Peter was very sad that Jesus asked him this question again, but he answered Jesus again, "Lord, you know all things, you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."



Why did Jesus ask Peter the same question three times? I think he wanted Peter to understand - and he wanted you and me to understand -- that it isn't enough just to say, "I love you." We must show our love for Jesus by showing our love for one another and caring for one another.

Do you love Jesus?

Then feed and take care of his sheep!

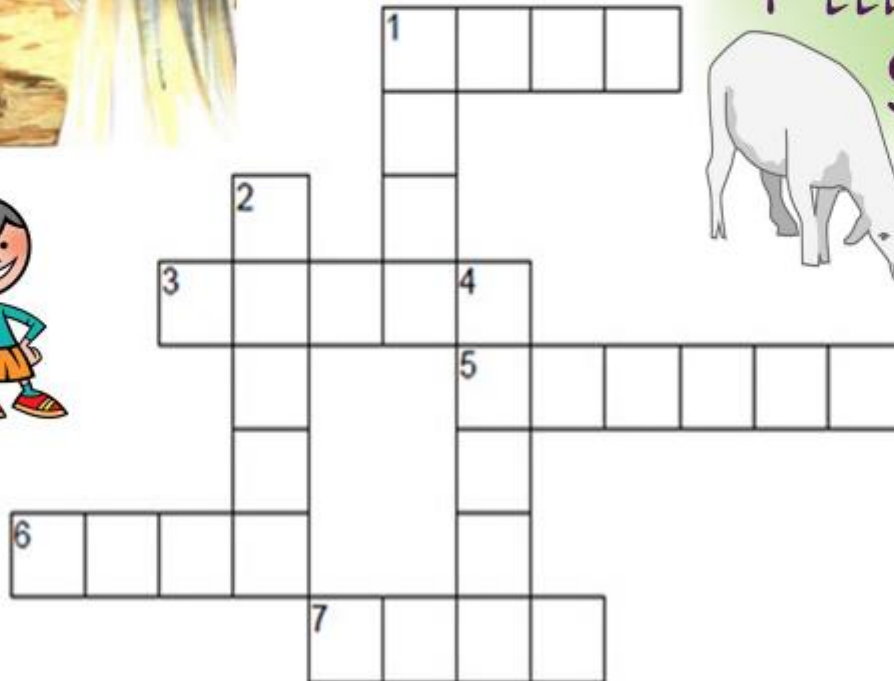
**Now, that is love that can be understood
in any language.**

**Dear Jesus, help us to show our love for you by loving
and caring for one another. Amen.**





The third time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said "Feed my sheep".



ACROSS

1. A young sheep
3. Woolly animals similar to goats
5. Taking food into the body through the mouth
6. To give food to be eaten
7. The Almighty, Creator, God, the One we worship

DOWN

1. A deep, tender, feeling of affection toward another person
2. The person or thing following the first and second
4. A fisherman who was one of Jesus' disciples

**LAMB
EATING**

**LORD
SHEEP**

**FEED
THIRD**

**PETER
LOVE**

Taken from Today's Gospel

Jesus called out 'Have you caught anything friends?' And when they answered 'No', he said 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish.





Time to Think!

CONCLAVE 2025

As I write this article, looking out of my window, the month of May, begins in splendid sunshine. Birds singing loudly, new leaves on the trees suggesting a new season, a new time. In this Easter Season, Christ's resurrection, continues to inspire hope. These are very historic days in the history of the Catholic Church. Following the death of Pope Francis the church is now invited to select a new Peter. Like humanity, the Petrine Ministry, has given many different styles and personalities, regarding the office of Pope. I pray sincerely that the process of selecting a new Pope will truly be anointed with wisdom, discernment and prayer. I pray that the Cardinals fuelled with the Spirit of hope, will select a leader capable to present the Gospel message, knowing the signs of our times.

Pope Francis, who died April 21 at age 88, was laid to rest at the Basilica of St. Mary Major following his funeral on April 26. As the world continues to mourn the late pope during the nine-day period known as "Novendiales" (also rendered "Novemdiales"), preparations are underway for the highly-regulated conclave process, which is the means by which a new pope is elected for the Church. The task of electing the new pope falls solely upon the members of the College of Cardinals who are younger than age 80 and otherwise eligible or able to participate, of which there are currently 134. Cardinal Giovanni Battista Re, 91, is the current dean of the College of Cardinals, i.e., the most senior member, elected from among the ranks of the cardinal bishops and confirmed by the pope. Personally I thought he celebrated the Popes funeral with a great sense of energy and dignity. I was amazed to discover he was 91 years young !!! Normally, it would be Re's job to move the conclave process forward once it gets underway. Re is too old to take part in the conclave, however, as is his vice dean, Cardinal Leonardo Sandri. So the upcoming conclave will be directed by Cardinal Pietro Parolin, the next eligible most senior cardinal bishop and the Vatican's secretary of state.

The conclave system was formalized in 1274, and its procedures are spelled out in great detail in the 1996 apostolic constitution *Universi Dominici Gregis* of Pope John Paul II, which was amended slightly by Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis. Normally, the day on which the conclave begins is to be the 15th day after the death of a pope, the 16th day of the interregnum (which just means the period between popes). It can begin up to the 20th day "for serious reasons," or earlier than the 15th day if all the cardinals are present. The conclave will begin on the morning of May 7, with the Holy Mass for the Election of the Roman Pontiff in St. Peter's Basilica. That afternoon, the cardinals — only the electors — will make their entrance into the Sistine Chapel, chanting the "Veni Creator Spiritus," invoking the Holy Spirit's guidance. Once inside, each cardinal will take an oath to observe the procedures, maintain secrecy, and vote freely for the candidate he believes most worthy.

When the last of the cardinal electors has taken the oath, the master of papal liturgical celebrations, Archbishop Diego Ravelli, will give the order "Extra omnes" ("Everyone out"), indicating that all those not taking part in the conclave must leave the Sistine Chapel. Other than the cardinals, the only people allowed to remain in the chapel

are the master of papal liturgical celebrations and a clergy member chosen to preach a meditation to the cardinals. After the meditation is given, he and the master of papal liturgical celebrations will leave the chapel (though the master of papal liturgical celebrations will need to be readmitted several times during the process, particularly when a vote is about to happen).

The chapel doors will then be closed to the outside world until a new pope is chosen. The cardinals must swear to absolute secrecy both during and after the conclave process, and great care must be taken to ensure the Sistine Chapel has not been bugged. Whenever they leave the chapel — such as for meals and to sleep — the cardinals are not allowed to discuss anything about what took place in the chapel. Inside the locked chapel, votes are taken among the cardinals once on the first afternoon session, and twice on each morning and afternoon session for each day of the conclave.

The ballot papers all bear the words "Eligo in summum pontificem" ("I elect as supreme pontiff"), above a space for the cardinals to write a name. During the vote, cardinals individually approach Michelangelo's painting of the Last Judgment, profess an oath in Latin, and drop their ballot into a large urn. Four rounds of balloting take place each day until a candidate receives two-thirds of the vote. The result of each ballot are counted out loud and recorded by three cardinals designated as recorders. If no one receives the necessary two-thirds of the vote, the ballots are burned in a stove near the chapel with a mixture of chemicals to produce black smoke. If the electors fail to reach an agreement on a candidate after three days of inconclusive voting, a break of up to one day is allowed for prayer, free discussion among voters and a "brief spiritual exhortation," according to the Vatican.

When a cardinal receives the necessary two-thirds vote, the dean of the College of Cardinals asks him whether he is willing to serve.

If he is, the new pope chooses a papal name and is dressed in papal vestments. The ballots of the final round are burned with chemicals producing white smoke to signal to the world the election of a new pope. The Roman Catholic Church has seen 266 popes during its nearly 2,000-year history with the first being St. Peter, the apostle of Jesus Christ. Francis was the most recent pope, who was elected following the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI in 2013. There has been much speculation regarding who will be the next Pope. My sense is we will be greatly surprised. The example of Pope Francis regarding humility, Courage and holiness are important gifts for us all to learn from. May the Spirit of God, anoint all of us, as we please God, walk in pathways that are level and smooth.



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National Guide Dog Day – Volunteers Needed : National Guide Dog Day takes place on May 23rd. If you would like to volunteer for Guide Dogs, contact **Paul at 087-725264 or Jim at 087 4746519**, or leave a message on WhatsApp at Laois Guide Dogs. Guide Dogs are also seeking puppy walkers—please visit the Guide Dogs website to register. Thank you for your support.

Theatre Night Out – Dunamais Arts Centre, Portlaoise: Fourth Wall Laois Theatre Group presents "I Do Not Like Thee, Doctor Fell" — a comedy by Bernard Farrell.

Join us at the Dunamais Arts Centre, Portlaoise on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th May at 8pm.

Bookings: Call 057 866 3355 or visit www.dunamais.ie.

A must-see play!

Portlaoise Active Retirement: meets every Wednesday at 3 PM in the Parish Centre for friendship, fun, and activities. New members always welcome. This week: No bowls on Monday 5th, Chair Yoga with Tara on Wednesday 7th, and Cards & Chat at Sue Ryder Centre, Kilminchy, Thursday 8th at 3 PM (tuition available). More info: Maria 087 918 7157.

Caring in Offaly CE scheme: Home Respite Care Worker, Vacancy No. 2388668, Portlaoise area, 19.5 hours per week. Please contact **Alison Hackett** for more information on **086-0213711**

ahackett@familycarers.ie

Whist Drive Results – Tuesday, April 29th, Parish Centre: Top score: Mary Dunne,

1st Lady: Bernie Cahill, **2nd Lady:** Rita Arrigan, **1st Gent:** P J Cahill, **2nd Gent:**

Tom Kearns, **1st Half:** Catherine Fitzpatrick, **2nd Half:** Mary Lillis, **Raffle: 1st** Mary Gowing,

2nd Mary Dunne, **3rd** Catherine Fitzpatrick, **4th** Margaret Flanagan **5th** Peter Stevenson.

Thanks to all for your support. Whist continues each Tuesday night at 7.30 in the Parish Centre, new members always welcome.



RELIGIOUS NOTES

Divine Mercy Chaplet 3pm every Sunday in the Parish Church.

Rosary in the Church of the Assumption, the Heath: Daily 2pm (Monday to Saturday). Sunday 3pm (Adoration).

Rosary will be recited in Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish Church every evening at 7pm.

Vocations Society of St. Joseph: Holy Hour, Adoration, Prayer for vocations, 3pm Friday in the Parish Church.

Legion of Mary Portlaoise: Meets every Wednesday at 7.00pm in the prayer hall of the parish church. All are welcome.

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11th: Maureen Ryan, sponsored by Mulhall's SuperValu Portlaoise

12th: Maureen Ryan, sponsored by Telford's

13th: Margaret Tyrrell, sponsored by Downey's Auto Stop

Maura O'Brien and the Fatima Committee would like to sincerely thank everyone who supported their coffee morning, those who baked, and all our generous sponsors. Special thanks to the Parish Centre for facilitating the event. A special Mass will be offered in Fatima for all.



Portlaoise Pilgrimage to Fatima

A Mass for all pilgrims travelling to Fatima on 12th June will be celebrated in the Parish Church on 27th May at 7:30pm.

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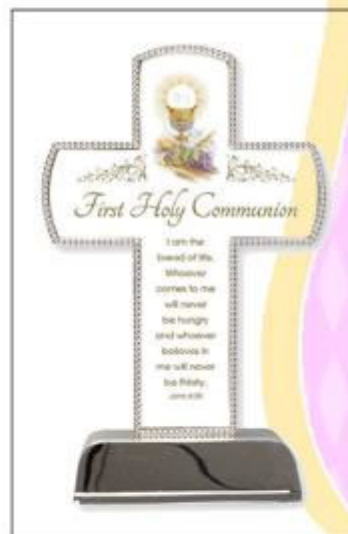
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MICHAEL EARLY
Stradbally Rd, Portlaoise



**CHRISTINE RONAN
(NÉE WHELAN)**
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*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*

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on February 24th, 2025, and his
beloved wife Mary Cardiff on
March 22nd, 2025.

Their legacy of kindness will
forever be cherished by all who
knew them.

A special Mass will be offered at
Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish

Church on Saturday, May 10th, at 10:00 AM. We invite all
family and friends to join us in prayer and remembrance as
we give thanks for the gift of their lives and commend their
souls to God's everlasting care.

*We honour their memory and offer our prayers for
their eternal peace.*

*May Martin and Mary rest in the
loving embrace of God.*

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
MAURA MORRIN (Nee Carroll)
Fieldbrook Lawns, Portlaoise.



**1st Birthday Away from Home
Happy Heavenly Birthday, Mam**

*Is there a party up in heaven
To Celebrate today?*

*Did angels frost a cake for you?
Or sing to start your day?*

*We're celebrating you down here
As they must be above*

*I truly hope your special day
Is filled with peace and love*

This day was always special

As we gathered round you here

We'd sing and laugh and celebrate

Your day with so much cheer

I miss those special moments

That we shared throughout the years

It's hard to find that on this day

My eyes now fill with tears

I'm trying hard to smile for you

But, ohh... that empty chair....

I turn around and find myself

Still shocked that you're not there

Please know I'm thinking of you

As I go throughout each day

This day is very special though

Because it's your birthday.

**Happy Birthday Mam, with love always your loving
Husband Seamus, Niall, Fergal, Róisín, Carina and
Grandchildren.**

May Maura Rest in Peace



In Loving Memory of
RAY BERGIN

14 St. John's Square, Portlaoise.

6th Anniversary away from home - 7th May 2025.



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on
Wednesday 7th May at 10am.

You always had a smile to share,
A laugh a joke and time to care,
A good life came to an end
You died as you lived
Everyone's friend.

Sadly missed by his wife Mossie, daughters Martina,
Lisa and Sandra, grandchildren and extended
family and friends.

Also remembering his son Dean at this time.

Rest in Peace Ray

In Loving Memory of
MAIREAD MAHER

Market Square, Portlaoise.

2nd Anniversary occurs 5th May 2025.



The Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on
Saturday, 3rd May at 6:30 PM.

Sadly missed along life's way
Quietly remembered everyday
No longer in our life to share
But in our hearts he's always there.

Loved and missed always by your brothers Nicky and
Joe, sisters Ann and Norah, nieces and nephews,
family and friends.

Rest in Peace Mairead

In Loving Memory of
LIAM CONROY

10 New Row, Green Rd. Portlaoise.

11th Anniversary occurs 5th May 2025.

Also remembering Liam's birthday - 18th May.



Daily thoughts and silent tears,
Always wishing you were here,
Life goes on, we know that's true,
But never the same since losing you.

Liam's Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church this
Saturday 3rd May at 6.30pm.

Sadly missed by your loving wife Mary,
son Brian, Louise, Jake and Stephen, Shirley, son-in-law
John and grandson Conor, extended family and friends.

May Liam Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of
CLAIRE LOUISE TAYLOR

Ballyfin Road, Portlaoise.

25th Anniversary occurs 8th May.



Always in our hearts

Sadly missed, love Daddy, Mammy,
Alison, Cian and Sean-Luke xxxx

May Claire Louise Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory Of
SEAN and PHIL McCormack
Late of St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.



Sean's 20th Anniversary
occurs on **27th May 2025**
and Phil's 3rd
Anniversary occurred on
24th April 2025.



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at Sts. Peter and Paul's
Parish Church on **Sunday, May 11th at 10:00 AM.**

As each day dawns, we think of you,
As each night falls, we pray for you.
And throughout our lives, no matter where,
In our hearts you are always there.
They both lived for those they loved,
And those they loved remember.

Forever in our thoughts, your loving family.

*May Sean and Phil rest in the
loving embrace of God.*

In Loving Memory of
JOHN DOLLARD

32 St. John's Square, Portlaoise.

35th Anniversary occurs 4th May 2025.



John's Anniversary Mass will be
celebrated at Sts. Peter and Paul Church
on **Friday, 2nd May at 7:30 PM.**

Life is a beautiful memory,
Death is a silent grief,
You sleep now in God's
beautiful garden,
In sunshine and perfect peace.
We miss you oh so very much,
But trust that God knew best,
He let us have you for many years,
and then gently let you rest.

Sadly missed and never forgotten by your
loving family.

Rest in Peace John

ANNIVERSARY AND BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Of our daughter
AGNES MILLIS GLEESON

Late of O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.
27th Anniversary and Birthday away from home.



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church,
this Sunday 4th May at 10am.

*Deep in the heart lies a picture,
of a loved one laid to rest,
In Memories frame we keep it,
because she was one of the best.*

**Love and miss you always from all your
loving family.**

May Agnes Rest in Peace

**In Loving Memory of
TOM BRACKEN**

Ardanure, Block Road, Portlaoise



**2nd Anniversary occurred on
9th May 2025.**

*Tom's 2nd Anniversary Mass will be
celebrated on Sunday 11th May 2025 at
11.15am in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish
Church.*

Missed deeply every day.

With love always Nancy and all the family.

Suasimhneas Dé ar d'anam dílis

**In Loving Memory of
OLIVE BRENNAN**

(née Lawlor)

51 Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise.
29th Anniversary occurs 7th May 2025.



Anniversary Mass will be
celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's
Parish Church on **Tuesday 7th
May at 7.30am and 10am**

Missing you always Mam

*We had a wonderful mother,
One who never really grew old.
Her smile was made of sunshine,
And her heart was solid gold.*

*Her eyes were as bright as
shining stars,*

And in her cheeks, fair roses you'd see.

*We had a wonderful mother,
And that's the way it will always be.*

**Dearly missed and loved so much by your loving
sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law,
grandchildren and great-grandchildren.**

May Olive Rest in Peace

**In Loving Memory of
DAVID McEVOY**

22 Rossvale, Portlaoise.
26th Anniversary occurred 3rd May.



*It broke our hearts to lose you
Dad,*

*but you did not go alone,
Resting now with Mam in
God's eternal home,*

*Those special years will not
return when we were altogether,
But memories within our hearts
will stay with us forever,
Only God knows how much we
miss you, every hour of every day.*

Miss and love you always, from all your loving family.

May David Rest in Peace

**Happy Heavenly Birthday
To My Kind hearted, Loving and
Funny Mother**

ANNIE GREENE

74 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
Who's Birthday occurs on the 6th of May 2025.



*I will always love you
That much I know is true,
There's a hole deep in my heart,
That can only be healed by you,
Its full of beautiful memories
Treasured now and forever,
Life is eternal love will remain,
As time goes on we shall meet again.*

**Also remembering my Dad
THOMAS GREENE whose birthday occurred in April.**
*From your heartbroken daughter Annmarie, son-in-law
Peter, grandchildren Tanya and Courtney and
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Rest in Peace Mammy & Daddy

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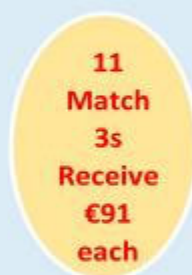


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