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Portumna Faith Community Area

Holy Mass Times: Quansboro Church.

Sat 20th Apr – Sun 21st Apr: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Quansboro 8pm: Frank Treacy + Paddy & Katie O'Brien, Mary Dermody and Ellie O'Hara.

Minister of the Word: Caoimhe Treacy

Minister of Holy Communion: Catherine Mulvey

Readings: Acts 4:8-12. 1 Jn 3:1-2. Jn 10:11-18.

Next Weekend

Sat 20th Apr – Sun 21st Apr: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Quansboro 8pm: John Joe, Sonny and Bridie Fahy and deceased members of the Fahy family Deerpark + Mary Hennessy

Minister of the Word: Kevin Dolan

Minister of Holy Communion: Anna McDonagh

Readings: Acts 9:26-31. 1 Jn 3:18-24. Jn 15:1-8.

NOTES:

Mass Bookings; please book all Masses with Niamh Kilkenny going forward (087 9584856).

Christenings, weddings and funerals are to be booked through Mary in Portumna Parish Office on 087 6227468 / 090 9741092.

Raheen National School is now enrolling for the school year 24/25. School contact details: 086 144 9353. Join us in the local school. Connect with us on the website raheenns.ie to view our events and activities and download the Enrolment form. Thank you.

Míle Buíochas to all who contributed to make Daffodil Day a very enjoyable event in Raheen NS. Over €200 has been collected. We also had a great community response to the clothing collection on Wednesday. 510 kilos were recycled. Le gach deá guí, Raheen NS.

Vigil of Prayer for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood in the Diocese of Clonfert to coincide with Vocations Sunday 2024 will take place directly after 8pm Mass until midnight on Saturday 20th April 2024 in the Cathedral of St Brendan, Loughrea. Please make a special effort to come and join us.

Vocations Workshop - Bishop Michael will lead a workshop for those who might be interested in Diocesan Priesthood in the Diocese of Clonfert or the Diocese of Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora on Sunday Afternoon the 28th of April 2024 from 2-6pm. Further Information available from Fr. Ian O' Neill, email - galwaypriesthood@gmail.com or telephone - 087 2048497

National Pilgrimage for Life - The first National Pilgrimage for Life, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 4th May in Knock Shrine with Mass at 3.00pm in the Basilica. Anointing of the Sick will take place during Mass. Main celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Francis Duffy. We invite you to join us in Knock to celebrate the gift of life and to pray for the protection of all human life.

The Clonfert and Galway Pilgrimages to Knock takes place on Sunday 19th May. Ceremonies begin as usual at 2.30pm with the celebration of the Sacrament of the sick followed by the celebration of Eucharist at 3pm, followed by the Rosary Procession.

The Youth 2000 Connaught retreat will take place in Calasactius College, Oranmore, Co. Galway on the weekend of May 10th to 12th, consisting of workshops, talks, testimonies, music, prayer and time to relax & meet with others. Come along for the weekend or pop in & say hello! Donation only, 16-35yrs. To book a place or for more information, visit www.youth2000.ie or email connaught@youth2000.ie.

In a drive to promote Peer-Support as a vital link in mental health awareness and suicide prevention, **Cycle Against Suicide** offers its training in Mental Health Peer-Support Programme free of charge to any community volunteer. Online via Zoom from 7-10pm on 4 evenings over 2 weeks. To register: www.cycleagainstsucide.com/register-to-become-community-buddy/or email: training@cycleagainstsucide.com

All Ireland Rosary Rally Knock -The All Ireland Rosary Rally is back this year on Saturday, June 1st in Knock. The day begins with a Marian Conference,

at 9.30am in St. John's Centre. Speakers include: Fr. Michael Donnelly, Sr Ana Margarita Lanzas SCTJM and Fr. Joseph Maria Deane CFR. For more information, and to see a list of buses going from around Ireland, please visit www.AllIrelandRosaryRally.com.

ACCORD Ballinasloe are committed to providing a professional counselling service for individual and couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriage and relationships. This confidential service is available and affordable. Contact 090 9643573.

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland will be holding a Social Club in The Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre, Bridge Street, Loughrea, every Wednesday 2pm to 4pm. Contact Teresa on 087 1888177.

The 'Synodal Explored' Conference will be held on 19 and 20 April, where Cardinal Mario Grech, Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops will be the keynote speaker. The conference is open to the public and is free of charge. Further details are available at www.knockshrine.ie Tel 094 93 88100 or email communications@knockshrine.ie.

Information and support for Birth Mothers – whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling the relevant section of TUSLA at +353 818 445 500.

Gamblers Anonymous – want to stop Gambling Helpline 086 349 4450. Weekly meetings, Tuesday GELS Room, Main Street, Ballinasloe H53RC95 at 8pm.

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Fourth Sunday of Easter