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Portumna Faith Community Area

Holy Mass Times: Quansboro Church.

Sat 27th Apr – Sun 28th 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.

Next Weekend

Sat 4th May – Sun 5th May: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Fahy 8pm:

Minister of the Word: Brendan Madden Minister of Holy Communion: Lucy Conroy

Readings: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48. 1 Jn 4:7-10. Jn 15:9-17.

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.

Fahy Church reopens next weekend.

Altar Society for May: Lucy Conroy/Ann Duane. Counters: Johnny Murphy/Elizabeth Campbell

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 Calasanctius 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.

Darkness Into Light 2024 registration & Information day in Dolans Centra Service Station, Creagh on Saturday 4th May from 10 am to 5 pm. Register online at <u>darknessintolight.ie</u>

Pro Life Rally Dublin May 6th Book your FREE place on the Galway for Life bus travelling to the March for Life. Call Aisling O'Rourke 085 747 4185 or Luc Debonnet 087 904 4174 to book your seat!

East Galway Hunt Point to Point taking place Sunday, 5^{th} May at Stowlin Eyrecourt H53P521. First Race 2pm. A fun filled day out for all the family. Admission $\in 10$, children free.

Come join Killlimor GAA Healthy Clubs to do Darkness into Light on Saturday, 11th May @ 4.15am on Club Grounds. https://www.darknessintolight.ie/fundraisers/killimorgaahealthyclubsdarknessintolight

The All Ireland Rosary Rally is back in Knock on June 1st. 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.

St. Brendans Education Centre, Abbey St, Loughrea 091 841387. Class places left only in Culinary and Hairdressing Level 3. Please contact the manager John Melville on 087 9332033 or email john.melville@gretb.ie or freda.murphy@gretb.ie.

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.

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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