

**Fourth Sunday
of Advent**

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22nd December 2024

Our thanks to all who assisted in decorating our Church especially Joe Greene and Wally O'Loughlin who decorated the Tree on Saturday last.


It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

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The Promise of a Lifetime

It's easy for us to take promises with a pinch of salt. Whilst growing up, we've learned that promises are easily made and easily forgotten. We make promises of our own with varying degrees of commitment. In short, promises are not always made to be kept, and our faith in a promise is

seriously undermined. We don't always believe in a promise.

Does a promise made to us by God carry any more weight? Well yes of course! If we were truly convinced that God was making us a promise then it probably would. There's a saying that goes, "We question all our beliefs, except for the ones we really believe, and those we never think to question." It seems that belief is key in getting excited about a promise. Mary obviously had no doubts; this is illustrated in her promptness to act on his commands. We might not confess to doubts, but why then do we hedge our bets. Why do we squash God into a small corner of our busy lives and get on with other things?

Mary is a perfect role model for us all. She believed in God's promise. She acted on God's commands. She didn't push God into a small corner of her life God was her life. "Blessed is she," writes Luke in today's gospel, "who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled."

Today's gospel is an invitation for us to take God's promises to heart, to make them real in our minds, and act on them.

Today we welcome Bishop Denis, and wish him a Happy Christmas.

Celebrant of our 12.30pm Mass.



JESUS

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god with us

The Priests of the Parish would like to wish all our parishioners a Blessed Christmas.

Mass times over the Christmas Period

(Parish Church or otherwise stated)

MONDAY 23rd & Tuesday 24th DECEMBER

7am (Christmas Novena) & 10am

See our Christmas Timetable on page 14

Collectors for Christmas Masses

Usual Collectors are required to help in Church porches is interested in helping out, please contact the Parish Office during office hours
Tel: 0578621142. **Thank you.**



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Feast of the Holy Innocents 28th December

The feast of the Holy Innocents recalls the boys aged under two whom Herod killed in order to try and remove Jesus from the scene. This is very much a feast of our time. On this day we also remember those innocent and defenceless children who still suffer today. The 4000 Irish children without a place to call home this Christmas, children who suffer neglect, and abuse. We remember children who suffer from hunger, poverty and poor health. We remember children who are forced to fight or to work long hours for little or no money in hazardous conditions. On this day we remember that every child has a right to love, security, and basic needs.



May this season of joy bring peace to your hearts, comfort to your souls, and hope to your lives.

This year, as we gather to celebrate the birth of Christ, we are reminded of the light He brought into a world often marked by darkness. Our world continues to face profound challenges. We think of those suffering in war-torn regions, of families torn apart by conflict, of communities ravaged by famine, and of the many still struggling to rebuild their lives in the face of adversity. It is easy to feel overwhelmed, yet we remember the angelic proclamation to the shepherds on that first Christmas night: "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy for all the people."

Looking ahead to 2025, we find a special source of encouragement. Pope Francis has declared it a Jubilee Year, a time to renew our faith and focus on the theme of hope. Hope is not mere optimism but a deep trust in the God who walks with us, even in our most difficult moments. As we prepare for this Jubilee, let us embrace this call to be people of hope, to carry the light of Christ into the world and into our communities.

Closer to home, I want to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you who make our parish a living reflection of that hope. To the many volunteers who dedicate their time to ministries and groups within the parish, thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ. Whether you serve at the altar, visit the sick, organise events, support the parish and provide support to those in need, you make a difference.

I also wish to extend my thanks to our parish staff and the dedicated teams at our 3 Churches and parish centre. Your hard work and commitment create a welcoming and vibrant space where faith is nurtured, and community thrives. You embody the care and compassion that make our parish a beacon of hope for all who pass through our doors. Thank you also to the members of our Community employment schemes.

As we journey through this holy season, let us keep in our prayers those who cannot be with us—those who are lonely, grieving, or unwell. Let us also pray for peace in our troubled world and for the courage to be instruments of God's peace wherever we find ourselves.

May the joy of Christmas and the promise of the New Year fill your homes and hearts. And may we all enter 2025 with a renewed commitment to being bearers of hope, drawing inspiration from the love of Christ and the strength of our community.

Wishing you a blessed Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

John Byrne, P.P. V.G.

PORTLAOISE PARISH - CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS 2024

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

16th to 24th DECEMBER

MONDAY 16th to SATURDAY 21st

Mass at 7am.

SUNDAY 22nd Mass at 8.30am.

MONDAY 23rd and THURSDAY 24th

Mass at 7am.

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(PENITENTIAL SERVICE)

FRIDAY 20th DECEMBER

Parish Church 7.30pm.

PARISH CAROL SERVICES

SUNDAY 22nd December Parish Church

Children's Carol Service 3pm

Parish Carol Service 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY 21st DECEMBER

after 10am Mass and after the 6.30pm Mass

MONDAY 23rd DECEMBER

after 10am Mass to 1pm and 6pm - 7pm

TUESDAY 24th DECEMBER

after 10am Mass to 1pm.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS TIMES

Portlaoise Parish Church Children's Mass

(mainly aimed at those who have not

yet received 1st Communion) 4pm

Children's Mass 6pm

Parish Church Our Midnight Mass 9pm

Parish Church Polish Mass 12am Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS TIMES

Parish Church 8.30am, 10am, 11.15am

and 12.30pm

The Heath 9.30am Ratheniska 10am

THURSDAY 26th DECEMBER

(St. Stephen's Day)

Parish Church 10am

Parish Church - Polish Mass 2pm

FRIDAY 27th DECEMBER

AND SATURDAY 28th DECEMBER

Parish Church 10am

SUNDAY 29th DECEMBER

Parish Church 6.30pm (vigil), 8.30am,

10am, 11.15am and 12.30pm

The Heath 9.30am Ratheniska 10am

MONDAY 30th DECEMBER AND

TUESDAY 31st DECEMBER

Parish Church 10am

WEDNESDAY 1st JANUARY

(MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD)

Parish Church 10am

THURSDAY 2nd JANUARY

to SATURDAY 4th JANUARY,

Parish Church 10am

FRIDAY (First Friday) 3rd JANUARY

Parish Church 10am and 7.30pm

SATURDAY 4th JANUARY

Parish Church 10am

SUNDAY 5th JANUARY

Parish Church 6.30pm (vigil), 8.30am,

10am, 11.15am and 12.30pm

The Heath 9.30am Ratheniska 10am

MONDAY 6th JANUARY

(THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD)

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Friday	27th Dec	8am-5pm
Saturday	28th Dec	7.30am-7pm
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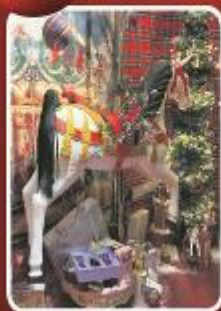
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Whist will return on Tuesday January 21st 2025 at 7.30 in the Parish Centre, new members always welcome.

Wishing everyone a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

RELIGIOUS NOTES

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

Rosary in the Church of the Assumption, the Heath;

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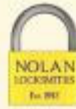
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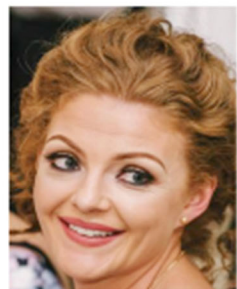
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In the Gospel today the story tells what happened after God sent the angel Gabriel to tell Mary that she was going to have a baby and that she would name him Jesus. Can you imagine how Mary, a teenager engaged to marry a young carpenter, must have felt to hear news like that? After she recovered from the shock, the Bible tells us that Mary hurried to the home of a relative, Elizabeth, to tell her the news. Elizabeth was also expecting a baby and the Gospel tells us that when she heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

Elizabeth gave a glad cry and said to Mary, "God has blessed you above all women, and your child is blessed." That is amazing! Before Mary even said a word about having a child, Elizabeth knew it and she knew that the child was going to be a very special child! "Why am I so blessed that the mother of my Lord would visit me?" Elizabeth said. "You are a blessed woman because you have believed that the Lord would do what he said."

So, at the very beginning of the Christmas story was an event that was shared with family and it is a time that has meaning to us as families today. As we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, it is certainly appropriate that we celebrate it with our families just as Mary did with Elizabeth.

Our Prayer

Heavenly Father, we are thankful for this time of joyful celebration of our Saviour's birth. We pray that we will honour his birthday as a time of celebration with our families. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.



*We wish our young parishioners
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An Angel visits Mary
 You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.
 Luke 1:31



GABRIEL SON MARY BORN VIRGIN
AFRAID JOSEPH ANGEL BIRTH JESUS



The Story of the Poinsettia

One Christmas Eve, a young Mexican boy was walking to his local church. Because he was very poor, he couldn't afford a present for the baby Jesus in the crib. This made him really sad. All of a sudden, while on his way to the church, an angel appeared to him and told him to pull up some weeds that were growing on the side of the road, and bring them to the crib for Jesus. The little boy did as the angel had told him. As he laid the weeds in the crib, he bowed his head and prayed. As he did, the weeds began to change into little red flowers with star-shaped leaves. Everybody was amazed at what had happened. We call these flowers Poinsettias, or 'Flor de la Noche Buena', (the Flower of the Holy Night) in Spanish.



A LOVELY TRADITION

Placing the figure of the baby Jesus in the Crib on Christmas Eve. Often the youngest member of the family gets this honour. It may be accompanied by this prayer:

Emmanuel, God with us,
 come to each of us and stay with us.
 Protect us and guide us as a family,
 free us from worry
 and let your love grow in our hearts
 so that we may be Emmanuel,
 God with us,
 to one another
 over these Christmas days
 and beyond.
 Amen.





Time to Think!

Emmanuel God is close

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ this year, I'm conscious of all what we have to be grateful for. Many long for what so often we take for granted. The terrible tragedy of Israel and Gaza, the ongoing war in Ukraine and the persistent and life-destroying famine in East Africa, are all the more shocking when we see their impact on the lives of children. The terror of hunger, fear or maiming should be far from every child's life and yet we see it daily in our media. Recently Pope Francis unveiled a nativity scene featuring a unique display crafted by Palestinian artisans from Bethlehem, and featuring baby Jesus lying in a cradle wrapped in a Palestinian Keffiyeh.

During the event, the Pope appealed for an end to the war, saying, "Enough wars, enough violence! Did you know that one of the most profitable industries here is weapons manufacturing? Profit from killing. Enough wars!"

Through his actions, the Pope reminds us of the important role churches have in advocating for peace and showing solidarity with all those who are suffering, especially at this time of the year. It is right to reflect on these matters as we prepare to celebrate the birth of the baby who was God himself.

The world into which Jesus was born was as destructive to childhood as ours in many similar ways: hunger, homelessness, seeking and being refused refuge and being the victim of political leaders' power struggles. There was no social media to carry the instant story and yet, the events of Bethlehem and Nazareth have echoed down the years, changing people's hearts from stone to flesh, their lives from hatred to love. As we prepare for Christmas this year, let us pray that the telling of the Christmas story will give us a new impetus to leave aside hatred, jealousy, judgmental attitudes and allow us to see the life-changing effect of letting love in.

The Christmas story began with Mary and her acceptance of her place in God's plan. Human, like the rest of us, she could not see all that it would entail of joy and sorrow, but at the moment of the Annunciation she was willing to let God's love work through her. She was truly faithful in the sense that she trusted God and felt that great things could happen if she said yes. As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, the challenge given to us is much smaller but no less significant. Can we say yes over the holiday period to children, to the elderly and to the lonely or recently bereaved? Not just by giving material things but also by giving people our attention – the gift of noticing them and making them feel visible and loved in the world.

Throughout his life, Jesus welcomed the outsider, the marginalized and assured them that being included was God's plan for them. We will have plenty of opportunities to do this over Christmas and the year ahead. It is in small things, kind words, a welcoming smile, a helping hand that the Kingdom of God is found and our chance to build God's Kingdom is when we take the opportunities to do that.

2025 is a jubilee year. It's hard to believe it is almost 25 years since we began the journey of the new Millennium. The first quarter of a century has brought huge opportunity and challenge to humanity. Pope Francis has called this jubilee a year of hope. In an often-troubled world, hope, will always prevail for the Christian people. Hope in the promise that we are not alone our God is very near and in him all things will be well. Hope that soon even the winter darkness, will once again be but a memory, when we anticipate the birth and new life and green shoots of the new spring. Hope because God's presence is alive and active in the many actions of compassion and kindness that are part and parcel of our daily lives. Hope is indeed one of the great Christian virtues and my prayer is that this new jubilee year there will be anointing of great hope in all our lives.

We are at a time of great change in the church – as Pope Francis calls it, a change of era – but we can look forward with hope to God doing great things in all our lives. With that thought in our hearts and minds, let us see in Mary, God's mother, a model for journeying in faith without knowing where the journey will take us. I pray we will all be filled with Hope and Joy of Christmas, the confidence to see that God is at work in every person and the courage to fearlessly bring about change in the time and place where we live. May the Lord fill us with health of body and peace of mind this Christmas.

May the feet of God walk with you, and his hand hold you tight.

May the eye of God rest on you, and his ear hear your cry.

May the smile of God be for you, and his breath give you life.

May the Child of God grow in you, and his love bring you home.



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Portlaoise



**Zita
Hayes**
The Grove
Abbeyleix



**Maureen
Kennedy**
Ironmills
Ballinakill



**Mary
Carroll**
Killamuch,
Abbeyleix

Let the Heavens rejoice and the earth be glad
PSALM 96:11



In Loving Memory of FR. THOMAS BROWNE



Parish Priest
Portlaoise
1941 to 1976

Who died
5th January 1982

May he rest in Peace



Christmas Remembrance *In Loving Memory of WINIFRED & JAMES McCORMACK* Timahoe and Clonboyne, Portlaoise. 13th and 35th Christmas away from home.



*Missing you
Mam and Dad
at Christmas
It is not what we
write or even
what we say,
It is what we feel
inside as we think
of you both today.*



*You made each Christmas special, the way it's
meant to be, and filled it with your love,
Kindness and generosity.
You were the dearest Mam & Dad,
We knew that we were blessed,
And pray that Christmas Angels bring you
sweet eternal rest.*

*Missing you both at Christmas-time
Love Margaret, Richard, Pauline, Robert,
Gavin, Alex, Margaret, Dave, Ryan, Pat
and Trish x*

May They Rest In Peace



Christmas Remembrance *In Loving Memory of JOSEPH, ELISH & FINTAN DOOLEY* 7 Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise.



*Sweet are their memories, dear are their names,
Close to our hearts, they will always remain.
Loved and remembered by all their loving family.*

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

**In Loving Memory of
JAMES (Muddy) & PHYLLIS CARROLL**
St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.



It's sad that you're not with us at this lovely time of year, but we have many precious memories of when you both were here.

You made each Christmas special, the way it's meant to be,

And filled it with your love, kindness and generosity. You were the dearest Mam and Dad, we know that we were blessed, and pray that Christmas Angels, bring you sweet eternal rest.

Happy Christmas to a wonderful Mam and Dad

From your loving daughters Betty, Cora, Jackie and Tina, sons-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Rest in Peace Mam and Dad

In Loving Memory of

**My Wonderful Mother and Father
MARGARET (Peggy) McDONNELL née Tobin**
Ballylinan and formerly of Summerhill, Portlaoise
AND THOMAS (Tom) McDONNELL
Ballylinan.

*Margaret's 11th Anniversary occurs 4th January 2025
Thomas' 10th Anniversary occurs 2nd February 2025*



*May the Lord bless you and take you into His keeping,
May He show you His countenance and take pity on you,*

May He turn his eyes towards you and give you His peace.



Sadly missed, loved and remembered by Margaret & Joe.

May Margaret and Thomas Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

**In Loving Memory of
John and Kathleen Dunne**

St. Christopher's, Ballyfin Rd. Portlaoise.
7th and 12th Christmas away from home.



Your life was a blessing,
Your memory a treasure...
You are loved beyond words,
And missed beyond measure

Loved and remembered by;

Veronica, Dan, Dermot, Graham, Clodagh and Aoife.

May John & Kathleen Rest In Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

Patrick (Bumper) Whelan
16 O' Moore Place, Portlaoise



*And his daughter
Caroline Moore née Whelan*



14th & 15th Christmas away from home.

*The sadness never goes away, the silent tears still flow,
You're thought of and so sadly missed, more than you'll ever know,*

*But now you're with the angels, safe and sound in Heaven above, we hold onto the memories and treasure them with love,
Yet special times like Christmas often make us wonder why,
God took you from this world, it was too soon to say goodbye,
But memories are precious, they will last a lifetime through,
We know God has chosen you to be his angel too.*

*Happy Christmas to a wonderful Dad and Sister
From your loving wife Kathleen, Patrick, Chris, Mag, Jackie, Mary, Samantha, Paul, Niall and Gavin xxxxx*

May Patrick and Caroline Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of JIMMY MORRIN R.I.P.

45 St. John's Sq., Portlaoise, formerly New Road.
20th Anniversary occurs 24th December 2024.



Also remember our Dear Mother Annie who died on 26th March 1962 aged 38 years.

*Dad, as long as our hearts keep beating,
As long as our eyes shed tears,
We will always love and miss you,
No matter how many years.*

*Never more than a thought away,
Loved and remembered everyday.*

Mass offered

*Sadly missed by Joe, Anne, Mick and granddaughters
Karen and Rachel.*

Rest in Peace Jimmy

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

KATHLEEN DOYLE
45 St. John's Square, Portlaoise.
4th Christmas away from Home.



*When you lose someone you love,
You gain an angel you know.*

*Sadly missed by Anne, Mick,
Karen, Rachel and Eoin.*

Rest in Peace Kathleen

Christmas Remembrance
OLIVER & ELIZABETH
BARTLEY

91 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise
Oliver's 10th Christmas away from home.
Elizabeth's 4th Christmas away from home.



We look back in fondness every day at the joyful times we had, no one could wish for such a perfect pair as our special Mam and Dad. We are grateful for what you taught us and we're grateful for all your love, and we know that you will watch over us from Heaven up above.

Although you're missed so dearly and so many tears we've cried, it is so sweet and fitting that you sleep softly side by side. You shared your love, you shared your life, many precious times together, now you will spend eternity hand in hand forever.

Loved and sadly missed and forever remembered by their daughter Monalisa, son-in-law Donal and grandsons Darryl and Stefan.

Missing you at Christmas

Every day without you since you had to go, is like summer without sunshine and Christmas without snow. I wish that I could talk to you, there's so much I would say, Life has changed so very much, since you went away. I miss the bond between us and I miss your kind support, You're in my mind and in my heart and every Christmas thought. I'll always feel you close to me and though you're far from sight, I'll search for you among the stars, that shine on Christmas night.

Loved and missed by their sons John, Oliver, Shay and Darren, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and the Conroy & Bartley families.

Rest in Peace Mam and Dad

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
WILLIAM (Billy) MARUM
171 St. Brigid's Place Portlaoise.
4th Christmas away from Home



Look around your Garden Lord, and when he turns and smiles, put your arms around him Lord, and hold him for a while.

Sadly missed by his loving wife Phyllis, daughters Susan, Samatha, Sawnya and Sabrina, son William, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law and grandchildren

May William Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance
MARGARET BERGIN
Millhouse, Boley, Abbeyleix.
3rd Christmas away from Home



*We think of you in silence,
We often speak your name,
But all we have are memories,
and your picture in a frame.
Your resting place we visit
and put flowers there with care,*

But no one knows the heartache, as we turn and leave you there.

*Loving you is easy, we do it every day,
Missing you is a heartache that never goes away.*

Happy Christmas in Heaven Mags

Sadly missed, loved and remembered by her loving husband Jimmy, sons James, John and Owen, extended family and friends.

Rest in Peace
Margaret



Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
WILLIAM & KATHLEEN MARUM
and our Brother BILLY
63 O' Moore Place & St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.



*We often sit and think about the years that have passed by,
And of the happiness and joy that was shared by you and I.
We think of all the laughter, the smiles and all the fun,
And before we even know it the tears have once again begun.
For although it brings us comfort to walk down memory lane,
It reminds us how without you, life has never been the same.*

Loved and remembered by brothers Daniel & Richard and sisters Catherine, Breeda, Tina and Mary.

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
THE MURPHY FAMILY



Margaret Murphy
Thomas (Dawn) Murphy
Thomas (Tommylad) Murphy
Rose Murphy
Patrick Delaney and sister Helena
John Naughton
And all our extended family

Will those who think of them today a prayer to Jesus say.
Missed always by your loving families.

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

To our Parents

DAVID AND JANE McEVOY

22 Rossvale, Portlaoise.

Also Birthday Remembrance of our Dad David



They are our bridge over
troubled waters,
The wind beneath our wings,
And now our loving parents
are a candle in the wind,
The flowers we place upon your
grave will wither and decay,
But the love we buried with
you both will never fade away.

Loved and never forgotten, your loving family xx
May David and Jane Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of

LOUISA POWDERS

Grattan Street, Portlaoise.

2nd Anniversary occurs 24th December 2024



Though your smile is gone forever
and your hand we cannot touch,
Still we have so many memories of
the ones we loved so much,
Your memory is our keepsake with
which we'll never part,
God has you in His keeping,
We have you in our hearts.

Loved and missed by your husband
Martin, children, grandchildren and
great grandchildren. xxx

Rest in Peace Louisa

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

JOHN-JOE & OLIVE DWANE

2 Well Rd., New Rd. (Maisonettes) Portlaoise.

John-Joe's 10th Anniversary occurs 26th December.

Remembering Olive's 23rd Anniversary earlier this year.



We think of you in silence,
We often speak your name,
But all we have are memories,
And your picture in a frame.
Your resting place we visit,
And put flowers there with care,
But no one knows the heartache,
As we turn and leave you there.



Lots of love always from all your loving family.

May John-Joe and Olive Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of

JOHN-JOE DWANE

2 Well Road (Maisonettes)

New Road, Portlaoise.

10th Anniversary occurs 26th December 2024.



Anniversary Mass will be
celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish
Church, on Thursday
26th December at 10am.

We thought of you today,
but that is nothing new,
We thought about you
yesterday and days before
that too.

We think of you in silence, we often speak your
name, all we have are memories and your
picture in a frame.
Your memory is our keepsake, with which we will
never part, God has you in His keeping,
We have you in our hearts.

Always loved and remembered
by your sons, daughters,
grandchildren, great-grandchildren
and extended family.



Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

Our loving parents, Thomas and Annie Greene,
Brothers Tony and Michael Greene
St Brigids Place and Well Road
16th, 9th and 2nd Christmas away from
Home



Now that you're no longer here, I'll hope you'll always know, your memory is with me everywhere I go.

Christmas has descended now and happily I find, the thoughts of all the fun we shared are always on my mind.

I wish you peace at Christmas time wherever you may be, and thank you for the memories that mean the world to me.



Thinking of you at
Christmas

From your daughter Mary, Sons Christy, Joe and Paul, sister Ellie, Daughters-in-law, and grandkids.

May They Rest
In Peace



In Loving Memory of ANTHONY (Tony) DUNNE

Glendowns, Portlaoise.
6th Anniversary occurs 6th January 2025.
Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's
Parish Church, on Sunday 6th January at 8.30am.



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

Sadly missed and always remembered
by his loving wife Mary, daughters
Tracy and Regina, sons, Tony, Greg
and Damien, grandchildren
Danielle, Cheyenne, Saffron, and extended family.

Rest in Peace Tony

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of CATHERINE (KITTY) SIDES RICHARD (DICK) SIDES

6 Ridge Road, Portlaoise.



Loving memories of one
so dear,
Treasured still with a
love sincere,
In our hearts you will live
forever,
Because we loved you too
dearly to forget.



Always remembered by their daughter Ann,
son-in-law Noel, Aoife & Damien and Aine & William.

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of DECLAN DOOCEY

Formerly of Castletown, Colt and Abbeyleix
5th Christmas away from home



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

Sadly missed by
Helen, Mark, Paul, Conor,
Doireann, Éadaoin & Grandchildren
Ella, Mia, Noah and Ceol x

Rest in Peace Declan

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of FRANCES & PADDY REDDIN

4 Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise.



Remembering our
Parents in Heaven.

You made each
Christmas special,
the way it's meant to
be, and filled it with
your love, kindness
and generosity.



You were the dearest
Mum and Dad, I know that we were blessed, and pray
that Christmas angels bring you sweet eternal rest.

Sadly missed by all your loving family.

May They Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of FRANCES REDDIN

4 Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise.
4th Anniversary occurs 28th December 2024
Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, on
Saturday 28th December at 6.30pm



Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us everyday,
Unseen, Unheard but always near,
Still loved, still missed, still very dear.
Sadly missed by all her loving family.

Rest in Peace Frances

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of our Daddy
KENNETH (Ken) CLEAR**

44 O' Moore Place, Mountmellick Rd. Portlaoise.
11th Christmas away from Home.



We're thinking of you once again Daddy and the memories we hold so dear,
But it always seems to hurt more at this time of year,
Christmas here without you is like winter without the snow,
And everything seems darker since the day you had to go.

Heaven gained an angel, but it left us feeling blue,
Especially at Christmas time our hearts still weep for you,
But we'll remember all the good times and keep the memories burning bright, until the day God calls for us and we can re-unite.

So, as we place the presents beneath the Christmas tree with no fuss, we'll wrap one up with all our love and you'll know that one is from us.

Happy Christmas Daddy

Always in our thoughts.

From Becky and Dylan and your grandson Thomas William xx

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
MARY SEALE**

Late of Clonkeen and Forest Park, Portlaoise.
7th Christmas away from Home



Christmas was very special, and it filled our hearts with love,
But it doesn't feel the same now, as you watch me from above,

The lights on the tree don't shine so bright, and my tears they melt the snow,
Because its hard to get through Christmas, since the day you had to go,

I know you will be watching and things will be ok,
Because I still feel you beside me,
Every single day.

*Sadly missed by your loving son,
Declan O' Brien and partner Linda.*

Rest in Peace Mam

**In Loving Memory of
EDWARD (Ned) KIRWAN**
Boley, Abbeyleix.

24th Anniversary occurs 28th December 2024
Mass offered.



Two Tired eyes are sleeping,
Two willing hands are still,
The one who worked so hard for us, is resting at God's will.
In a near and silent graveyard,
Where the trees their branches wave,
Sleeps a kind and loving father,
In his cold and lonely grave.

He bade no one a last farewell,
He raised his hand to none,
His spirit flew before we knew,
That he from us had gone.

*Sadly missed by his loving wife Nannie,
children and grandchildren.*

May Ned Rest in Peace

Let the Heavens rejoice and the earth be glad

PSALM 96:11

**Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
PJ O' BRIEN**

83 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
9th Christmas away from home.



Missing you Dad at Christmas
Christmas is a time of joy, but now without you Dad, memories surround us, and it's easy to be sad.

But knowing you'll be watching with a father's gentle pride,
We'll celebrate the happiness, those memories provide.

Your love is here to guide us,
In everything we do,
And we give thanks at Christmas time, in memory of you.

RIP Grandad xxx

*Truly missed by your beloved wife Teresa,
daughters, sons, grandchildren and your large circle of friends.*



Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
AGNES & PETER LALOR**

Missing you always - Especially at Christmas



*With all the celebrations and
Christmas drawing near,
what a lovely time we'd have,
If only you were here.
We'd spend so many hours the
way we did before, Christmas is*

*for loved ones and we couldn't miss you more.
Missing you both at Christmas and always.*

Also thinking of their Daughters

**RITA LALOR, MARGARET LAWLESS &
KATHLEEN LALOR**



*Sadly missed,
loved and
remembered by
their siblings,
daughters, sons,
sons-in-law,*

*daughters-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren,
nieces, nephews and grand-nephews.*

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of a precious
Son, Brother, Father and Granddad

P.J. SWAYNE

St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise. 2nd Christmas away from home.
3rd Anniversary occurs 28th December 2024.



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, on
Saturday 28th December at 10am.

*Son it is so difficult to understand why
you're no longer here, yet sometimes
when I close my eyes, you feel so very
near.*

*You left me with warm memories and they are mine to
keep, we will never be apart, the bond is way too deep.
If I could have one Christmas wish, just one that could
come true, then I would wish with all my heart, just to
spend Christmas with you.*

Happy Heavenly Christmas P.J.

**Sadly missed, loved and forever remembered by his
mother Mary, father Joe, sister Denise and family,
brother Adrian and family, aunts and uncles,
extended relatives and friends.**

Rest in Peace P.J.

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
IAN LAWLOR-AMARAL**

*Bennekerry and Oakleaf Place, Portlaoise.
4th Christmas away from Home*



*Ian, we know you soar with
angels now, and that your
heart has wings,
We know you are watching
over us, whatever this world
brings.*

*We know you were a gift from
God, and that you are safe
now in Heaven above,*

*We know that we will see you again, and
once more feel your love.*

*We know you live in Heaven now and without
you, we must go on,*

*And we know that our hearts will ache for you
until our time on earth is done.*

*Deeply loved and missed by his mother Annette,
brothers Owen, Paul and Wayne, sister Gemma and
brother-in-law Fahad, niece Sara, nephew Sameer,
extended family and friends.*

Rest in Peace Ian

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
MAURA MORRIN**

1 Fieldbrook Lawns. 1st Christmas away from home

Missing you at Christmas



*There's a little place within my heart
That is with me every day*

*A place where all my memories are
softly tucked away*

*It's the perfect place in my grief for me to
go*

*For words could not explain how very
much I miss you so.*

*And now that Christmas time has come around
Its where the sweetest memories and thoughts of you are
found.*

Sadly missed & always remembered by Mary & Family

Rest in Peace Maura

**In Loving Memory of
ADAMS FAMILY**

26th, 18th, and 2nd Christmas away from home



Also, Mary's 26th anniversary occurred on the 2nd of December 2024.

Sadly missed by all your family.

May They Rest In Peace

**In Loving Memory of
JOHN KEENAN**

51 Marian Place, Portlaoise.
Whose 35th Anniversary occurs 3rd January 2025.



Those we love remain with us for love itself
lives on, cherished memories never fade,
because one loved is gone.

Those we love can never be more than a
thought apart, for as long as there is a
memory, they live on in our hearts.

Sadly missed and always remembered by
his wife Lily, his children, grandchildren
and great-grandchildren.

Rest in Peace John

Christmas Remembrance

**In Loving Memory of
DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DUNNE FAMILY
Late of 6 Borris Little, Portlaoise.**



Seamus Dunne, Charlotte Dunne,
Charlotte Gogarty, Ger Dunne and
John Dunne

*Beautiful memories are treasured forever
Of happy days when we were together*

*Remembering you all at Christmas time
From Geraldine, Tony and family.*

May They Rest in Peace

**CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
SHANE MOORE**

62 Rossvale, Portlaoise.
12th Christmas away from Home



Loving memories of you
Shane

No longer in our lives to
share, but in our hearts
you are always there.

Loved and missed
everyday by

Mam, Dad, Marian, Ross, nephew Shane
and all your loving family and friends.

Rest in Peace Shane

**Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
GERARD DUNNE**

Braccas, Ballacolla, Co. Laois
8th Christmas away from home



Many the thoughts I give to you,
As the long hours go by,
Thinking of the things we used to
do and say, just you and I.
Sometimes they make me smile,
Sometimes they make me cry,
But are precious to me alone,
Memories of You and I.

Sadly missed and always remembered by his loving
wife Kathleen and all his family xxx

May Gerard Rest in Peace

**CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
RAYMOND (Ray) BYRNE**

113 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
19th Anniversary occurs 26th December, 2024



Call Ray's name out softly Lord and when he looks
your way, tell him that we love him and miss him
everyday.

Loved and missed always Mam, Lilly, Angela,
Ken, Trevor, Gordon, Evan, Megan, Lorna,
Gavin and families.

May Raymond Rest in Peace

**CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
A Cherished Father, Brother and Mother
PATRICK, WILLIAM AND
BRIGID MILLS**



*If tears, heartache and longing could make special dreams
come true, we'd be celebrating this Christmas,
once more again with the three of you.*

Loved and sadly missed so much, Gean, Cathy, Marie,
Patrick, Teresa, your 12 grandchildren,
great-granddaughter and all your loving family xxx

Sleep in Heavenly Peace xxxxx

**CHRISTMAS
REMEMBRANCE**

*In Loving Memory of
A Dear Husband, Father & Grandfather
WILLIAM (Willie) O' REILLY
28 Lakeglen, Portlaoise.
7th Christmas away from home.*



*When snowflakes dance on winter windows
And coloured lights shine Christmas cheer
When Christmas laughter fills the air
And Family gathers from far and near
We try to celebrate with them
And not let our hurting show
But the empty space within our hearts
As this season seems to grow
And often times it fills the day
And many night times too
With aching thoughts and memories
Of all the Christmas's we spent with you
So for now we will wipe away our tears
And join with loved ones dear
Happy Christmas Daddy,
Forever in our thoughts.*

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS, WE MISS YOU MORE
THAN WORDS CAN SAY.**

**Happy
Christmas**



*Always remembered by your wife Anne, sons
and daughters, son-in-law, daughters-in-law,
and all your grandchildren and our newest
addition Thomas William. xxx*

Christmas Remembrance

*In Loving Memory of
PATRICIA O' BRIEN
Late of 98 Cherrygrove, Portlaoise.
5th Christmas away from home.
and
CHRISTY O' BRIEN
Late of 79 Cherrygrove, Portlaoise.
4th Christmas away from home.*



*I hold you close within my heart, and there you
shall remain, to walk with me through my life,
until we meet again.
So rest in peace dear loved ones and thanks for
all you have done,
We pray that God has given you both the
crowns you truly won.*

*Forever in my heart, love your son Damien.
Rest in Peace Mam and Dad*

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*In Loving Memory of
ALICE PARNELL*

"Avondale", Old Knockmay Road, Portlaoise.



*As time unfolds this Sixth year,
We know and feel you are very near,
Silent thoughts of our time together,
Hold memories that will last forever.*

*Loved and remembered by her husband Kieran,
son Michael, daughter Lisa, daughter-in-law Ann,
son-in-law Peter, grandchildren Aoife, Rachel, Adam,
Laura, Conor, Amelia, relatives and friends.*

May Alice Rest in Peace



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
BERNADETTE (Bernie) MITCHELL**

17 Riverview, Towerhill, Portlaoise.
4th Christmas away from Home



*Treasured thoughts of one so dear,
Often bring a silent tear,
Thoughts of scenes long past,
Years roll on but memories last.*

*Sadly missed by her loving family, nieces,
nephews, neighbours & friends. Xxx*

Rest in Peace Bernie

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
MARGARET CULLEN**

Harpurs Lane, Portlaoise.
4th Christmas away from home.



*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.*

*Sadly missed and always remembered by your loving
husband Frank and all your loving family xxx*

Rest in Peace Margaret

Christmas Remembrance

**In Loving Memory of
SEAN & TERESA CONROY**

Ballydavis, Portlaoise.



*Deep in our hearts you will forever stay,
Both loved, cherished and remembered on this
Christmas Day and always.*

*Your son Brendan, daughter Mary, daughter-in-law
Anne, son-in-law Joe, grandchildren David, Benny,
Mark and Chloe.*

Also remembering their Son John

*whose 52nd Anniversary
occurs 31st December.*

*And their Grandson
Darren Campbell, whose
9th Anniversary occurs
23rd December.*



May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
JULIA (PEG) HOLOHAN**

12 Marian Avenue, Portlaoise.
13th Christmas away from home.



*I cannot halt the hand of time,
Or live again the past,
Within my heart are memories,
That will forever last.*

*Sadly missed and always
remembered by your loving
son Frank and family.*

Rest in Peace Julia

**Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of**

PATRICK and CHRISTOPHER DWANE

Late of O' Moore Place, Portlaoise



*May the winds of love blow softly
and whisper in your ear.
And tell you how much we love you
both and miss you more each year.*



*Thinking of you at Christmas
from all your loving family.*

May You Both Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
MICHAEL & JOSEPHINE GALVIN**

Burnwood, Clonad.



*We who love you, sadly miss you,
As it dawns another year,
In our lonely hours of thinking,
Thoughts of you are ever near.*

*From Sean, Michael, Noel and Mary.
Remembering our parents at
Christmas time.*

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

**In Loving Memory of
CAMILLUS RYAN**

O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.
5th Christmas away from Home



*Sadly missed by his son James,
daughters Aileen, Denise and Melissa,
daughter and sons in law,
grandchildren and extended family.*

Rest in Peace Camillus

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

of a Special Son and Father

JAMIE-LEE MOORE & FRANCIS MOORE



With all the celebrations and Christmas drawing near,
What a lovely time we'd have if only ye were here,
We'd spend so many happy hours, the way we did
before,

Christmas is for loved ones and I couldn't miss ye more,
When I wake on Christmas Day, I'll look to Heaven above,
And I'll remember every smile and think of ye with love,
It warms my heart to know ye are together for all eternity.



Love and Miss ye always Jamie Lee and Daddy

Christmas Remembrance of a Precious Brother

On your 10th Christmas away from home Jamie-Lee

Thinking of you and missing you more than words could ever say,
For life seemed to change forever on the day you went away,
And this season has lost it's sparkle now that you're no longer here,
Gone is all the warmth and laughter and those feelings of good cheer.
But each night there in the distance, shines a brilliant Christmas star,
Which is Heaven's way of showing just exactly where you are,
And on Christmas Day as always and on each day yet to come,
You'll be loved, missed and remembered for you meant the world to us
dear brother.

*Love and miss you always, Tanya, Tirna, Jake, Taylor and
your nieces Kyra-Mae, Nelly-Rae and Jamie-Lee & Loran xx*

Christmas Remembrance of a Nephew and Dad

Looking back to Christmas past and happy times gone by,
Remembering both with laughter and always asking "Why"?
For there are just so many things that no one can explain,
Why both of you were taken but the rest of us remain,
And why a special time like this should be a time to grieve, to wish you both were still here
and wonder why ye had to leave,

Because you're missed at Christmas and on each and every day,
For ye both were someone special, who meant more than words can say

Love and miss ye Always, Sharon, James and family xxx

May Jamie and Francis Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of **ANNIE O' BRIEN**

Late of 6 Marian Ave., Portlaoise.
4th Christmas away from Home.



We think of you in silence, we often
speak your name, but all we have are
memories and your picture in a frame.
Your resting place we visit, and put
flowers there with care, but no one
knows our heartache as we turn and
leave you there.

Love Billy, Elizabeth, Liam, Martina
and Michael.

Rest in Peace Annie

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of **SUSAN & JOHN GREENE**

74 O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.



Mum & Dad

Missing you both at Christmas

Every day without you since you had to go, is like
summer without the sunshine and winter without the
snow.

We wish that we could talk to you, there's so much we
would say, life has changed so very much since you both
went away.

We miss the bond between us and we miss your kind
support, you're in our minds and our hearts and every
Christmas thought.

We'll always feel you close to us and though you're far
from sight,
We'll search for you both among the stars that shine on
Christmas night.

Loved & Missed Always

From your daughters, sons, daughters-in-law,
sons-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of

WILLIAM KERRY 25th Christmas away from Home
ROSANNA KERRY 7th Christmas away from Home

61 Knockmay Estate, Portlaoise.

And their Grandson

ROBERT MYERS - 3rd Christmas away from Home



We cannot send a Christmas Card,
Your hands we cannot touch,
But God will take our greeting to the ones we love so
much.

Sadly missed by your sons, daughters, grandchildren,
great-grandchildren & extended family xx

Rest in Peace William, Rosanna & Robert

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of **MARY JO McDONNELL** née Maher

Late of Shanahoe, Abbeyleix.

5th Anniversary occurs 30th December 2024.



To your resting place we visit,
Place flowers there with care,
But no one knows our heartache,
When we turn and leave you there.

Sadly missed by her husband
Walter, son Colm, sister Phyllis
and all her loving family.

Rest in Peace Mary Jo

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of **GERALDINE LEWIS**

The Heath, Portlaoise. 6th Christmas away from home.



*Missing you always, especially
this Christmas, our sixth
Christmas without you.*

Geraldine, we shared some laughs,
we shared some tears, but best of
all Geraldine we shared great years,
No more tomorrows for us to share,
but yesterdays memories will
always be there.

*Loved and missed dearly by your loving husband Derek,
children Serena, Rachel, Darragh and grandson Killian.*

May Geraldine Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of **TEDDY LEWIS**

*Ballyfin Road, Portlaoise.
3rd Christmas away from Home*



*You were always there when we
needed you,*

No task too great or small,

With loving heart and willing hands

For us you did it all,

In God's garden now at rest,

Peacefully sleeping lies one of the best.

*Sadly missed, loved and remembered by your loving wife
Trisha, sons Frank, Derek, Keith, Gavin, daughters
Yvette, Avril, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law,
grandchildren and great-grandson.*

Rest in Peace Teddy

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of **GERALDINE LEWIS née Buggy**

The Heath, Portlaoise. 6th Christmas away from home.



*You gave us years of happiness,
then sorrow came with tears,
You left us lovely memories that we
will treasure through the years.*

*Sadly missed and always remembered
by your Daddy, Mammy, Sean, Valery,
Edel and families xxxx*

Also remembering Geraldine's father-in-law Ted Lewis.

Rest in Peace Geraldine

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of **MICHAEL FARRELL** Lakeglen, Portlaoise.

9th Christmas Away from Home

There is a very special place beyond the
skies above,

Somewhere very peaceful that is full of
light and love,

That special place is Heaven where you're
free to laugh and roam, it was your time
to go there so the Angels took you home,
And though you're in our thoughts each
single day throughout the year,

At this special time of Christmas, we all wish you could be here.

*Love always, Patricia and Patrick and also your brothers,
sisters, nieces and nephews xxxxx*

May Michael Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of **GERALDINE LEWIS**

The Heath, Portlaoise. 6th Christmas away from home.



*Geraldine, we shared some laughs
We shared some tears.,
But best of all we shared great years
No more tomorrows for us to share
But yesterday's memories will always
be there.*

Sadly missed, loved and remembered
by Trisha, brothers-in-law,
sisters-in-law and extended family.

May Geraldine Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of **SHEILA AND RICHARD (Sonny) BROWN** **AND THEIR SON STEPHEN** *2 Dublin Road Portlaoise*



*Your presence we miss,
your memory we treasure,*

Loving you always, forgetting you never.

*Sadly missed by all their loving family, extended
family and friends and the Wright family.*

May They Rest in Peace

3rd ANNIVERSARY AND CHRISTMAS
REMEMBRANCE IN LOVING MEMORY OF

P.J. SWAYNE

3rd Christmas away from Home
3rd Anniversary occurs 28th December 2024



*A Dad's love is special, a gift beyond
compare, you only know the meaning when
he is no longer there.*

*A special time, a special place,
A special Dad we cannot replace.*

*With an aching heart we whisper low,
Happy Christmas Dad, we love and miss you so.*

*Dearly loved and missed by his daughter Louise, son-in-law
Patrick and grandchildren Eiramay and Theo xxx*

Rest in Peace P.J.

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

Of a Dear Friend

TERESA KHANDKER

London and formerly Portlaoise.

6th Christmas in Heaven



*Although you can't be here
with me, were truly not apart,
until the final breath I take,
you'll be living in my heart.*

*Missed today and everyday,
a true friend.*

Your pal Frances and Tom xx

Rest in Peace Teresa x

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of

SEAN (SEANIE) PHELAN

Fisherstown

*2nd Christmas away
from home*



*Like branches on a tree we
all grow in different ways, yet
our roots remain as one.*

*Sadly missed by your loving sons, Denis,
Trevor, and Families.*

Rest in Peace Sean

Jesus is the reason for the Season

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

KATHLEEN DOYLE

*45 St. John's Square, Portlaoise.
4th Christmas away from home.*



*The years we spent together,
I keep them within my heart,
They hold precious memories,
That will never let us part,*

*Unspoken thoughts, no outward show, but deep
inside I miss you so.*

*Sadly missed by her loving husband Joe and
sisters-in-law Mary, Ellen and Gug.*

Rest in Peace Kathleen

Christmas Remembrance

*In Loving Memory of
THE DOYLE FAMILY*



Our Parents Patrick and Mai Doyle

Late of 37 Dr. Murphy's Place

*Our brothers Pad, Jack, Jim and
Mick. Our sister Ann Whelan.*

Our nephew Paul Doyle.

Our sister-in-law Kathleen Doyle.

*For Christmas is a time for sharing, with those we hold
so dear, please take this gift with all our love,
for angels who are no longer here.*

*It's wrapped up in all our memories, we once shared
from the past, the ribbons and bows are all our dreams,
inside there's broken hearts.*

*Please Santa don't delay, I would love it to be in Heaven
in time for Christmas day.*

*Love always, never forgotten by your loving son and
brother Joe, daughters and sisters Ellen, Guggie, Mary
and families xx*

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of Dad & Mam

MICHAEL and JULIA TIMMONS

53 O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.



*Will those who think of
Dad and Mam today,
A little prayer to
Jesus say.*

*Love always, Margaret,
Brendan and family.*



Rest in Peace Mam and Dad

Fondest Remembrance of
A Much Loved
Wife, Mother and Grandmother
NOREEN ROCHE

**Crookedwood Cross, Boley, Abbeyleix and
 formerly Portlaoise.**

4th Anniversary occurs 28th December 2024



**Anniversary Mass will be
 celebrated in
 The Most Holy Rosary Church,
 Abbeyleix at 10am.**

*If we could visit Heaven, on this
 our saddest day, maybe for a
 moment our pain would go away.*

*We would put our arms around
 you and whisper words so true,*

*That living life without you, is so very hard to do.
 We cannot bring the old days back, when we were
 all together, but loving thoughts and memories will
 stay with us forever.*

**Sadly missed by your loving husband Billy and
 family xxx**

Rest in Peace Dear Noreen

In Loving Memory of
SHARON CREAN
3rd Christmas away from Home



*Two tired eyes are sleeping,
 Two willing hands are still,
 For one who suffered far too much
 Is resting in God's will.
 You never said goodbye to us,
 Perhaps it's just as well,
 We never could have said goodbye,
 To one we loved so well.*

*Loved and missed by your brother Nigel, friend
 Leanne, nephews Thomas, Leo and Calvin and your
 loving mother Catherine xxx*

Rest in Peace Sharon

In Loving Memory of
SHARON CREAN
3rd Christmas away from Home



*Sad was the parting, no one can tell,
 So sudden on earth, the sorrow fell,
 The blow was hard,
 The shock was severe,
 To part with one I loved so dear,
 Dearer still as months depart,
 Your memory lives within my heart.*

*Loved and missed today and forever by Jason,
 Vanessa, Sienna and Christian.*

Rest in Peace Sharon xxx

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
CHRISTOPHER
& ELIZABETH GING

8 New Road, Portlaoise.



*It's sad that you're
 not with us at this
 special time of year,
 But we have
 precious memories of
 when you both were
 here.*



*You made Christmas special, the way it's meant to be,
 filled with love and kindness and generosity.*

*You were the dearest Mam and Dad, we know we were
 truly blessed, and pray that Christmas angels,
 Bring you sweet eternal rest.*

Always in our thoughts, forever in our hearts.

*Loved and always remembered by their sons,
 daughters and all their loving family.*

In Loving Memory of
SHARON CREAN
3rd Christmas away from Home



*The moment that you died,
 My heart was torn in two,
 One side filled with
 heartache,
 The other died with you.
**From your much loved son
 Lorcan xxx***

*It broke our hearts to lose you,
 But you did not go alone,
 For part of me went with you,
 The day God called you home.*

**Loved and missed by Nicola, Dylan, Nicole,
 Conor, Shane and Leah xxx**

Rest in Peace Sharon

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
FERGUS BEERE

Clonkeen, Portlaoise.
3rd Christmas away from Home.



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

Lovingly remembered at this time
especially at Christmas

From your loving wife Ailish,
nephews, nieces and friends xxx

Rest in Peace Fergus

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of



Our Mother
RITA DUFF
And her Husband
JOHN DUFF
And Son
PATRICK DUFF



Also her Brother
DAN CONROY
Glenfield, Portlaoise



Remembering you
this Christmas

Always loved and never forgotten.

Sadly missed and always remembered by all their
loving family.

May They Rest in Peace

9th ANNIVERSARY

In Loving Memory of our Mother

RITA DUFF

Kyleclonhobert, Ridge Rd. Portlaoise

Died 6th January 2016

9th Anniversary Mass will be
celebrated in

Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on
Monday 6th January 2025 at
10am.



You gave us years of happiness,
Then sorrow came with tears,
You left us lovely memories,

We will treasure through the years.

Sadly missed and always remembered by all her
loving family and friends.

May Rita Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of My Dearest Mum
ELIZABETH (Mary) McEVOY
née Ryan

64 Beladd, Summerhill Lane, Portlaoise.

A guiding hand, a heart of gold, memories of you I lovingly hold
10th Christmas In Heaven and away from Home



Remembering a wonderful Mother at Christmas

Don't think of me, enjoy yourself. I know
that's what you'd say. But I've missed
you more than ever, since the day you
went away. And I hear familiar carols,
then I look back at the years

When we shared such happy moments
And I can't hold back the tears. For I'd

give the world this Christmas, to spend one more hour with
you. Exchanging special gifts and hugs the way we used to do.
But all that I can give you, Mother is the promise that you'll be
in my heart and mind this Christmas and for all eternity.

Missing you at Christmas

Every day without you, since you had to go, is like
summer without sunshine, and winter without snow.
I wish that I could talk to you there's so much I would say, life
has changed so very much since you went away. I miss the
bond between us and I miss your kind support, you're in my
mind and in my heart and every Christmas thought. I'll
always feel you close to me and though you're far from sight,
I'll search for you among the stars that shine on Christmas
night.

To a special Mum at Christmas

Christmas here without you will put me to the test, but I
know you'll be up in Heaven because God only takes the best.
I know you're watching over me, you loved this time of year.
But a little bit of Christmas has died without you here. You'll
always be remembered and you're always in my heart, I
know that you're beside me although we are apart. You
touched the lives of those you loved, and we wanted you to
stay, but you were needed up in Heaven, and God whispered
"Come this way". On Christmas when I feel lonely and this
smile becomes a frown, I'll look up to the sky above and there
will be an Angel looking down.

Missing you Mum at Christmas

Missing you so deeply this special time of year, your
passion for the season brought laughter warmth and cheer.
Your love remains to guide me in everything I do, I give
special thanks at Christmas time in memory of you.

*Sending you my wishes and prayers on this
Christmas Day. You will always be remembered
Mum, Happy Christmas in Heaven. Love James
XXX. God blesses you with peace and prosperity.*

MAY YOU ELIZABETH MY DEAREST MUM
REST IN PEACE

Christmas Remembrance for

Our Parents

JOHN AND OLIVE BRENNAN

51 Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise.

Our Brother OLIVER BRENNAN

Our Sister ESTHER DUNNE née Brennan

And Esther's Son PATRICK DUNNE

*Late of Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise / Portarlington
All who are missed at Christmas and all year through.*



Christmas Without You

It's Christmas time and ever since, that day that you were taken, the lovely memories that you left have never been forsaken.

They will always stay as vivid just as though you still were here, and especially are cherished at this special time of year. There's never a day goes by without joyful thoughts of you, for no one could bring happiness in the way ye used to do.

Missed everyday by all the family.

Esther's 5th anniversary occurs on the 26th of December. Mass will be celebrated at 10am in St. Peter and Pauls Church.

May They Rest in Peace

Family Christmas Remembrance In Loving Memory of

The Collins Family Mountmellick

Mam and Dad, Pam Tuohy

Bernie Geraghty and her husband James (Goxie)

Carmel and Mick McGuinness

Granddaughters Fiádh and Eve Graham

John (Barney), Olive and Oliver Brennan, 51 Dr Murphy's Place

Joseph (Jo Jo) Lawlor - Ash Trees Stradbally

Sean and Ann Hanrahan - Ballinakill

Mary Henry and Sharon

Tobin

Also Remembering

ESTHER DUNNE

St. Michael's Park,

Portarlington

And her son

PATRICK



Special memories will always bring a smile, if only we could have you back for just a little while. Then we could sit and talk again, just like we used to do, You always meant so very much to us and will always do too.

The fact that you're no longer here will always cause us pain, but you are forever in our hearts, Until we meet again.

Missing you all at Christmas time and thinking of you always.

Love from Michael, Ann and Family.

May They Rest In Peace

Christmas Remembrance In Loving Memory of

Joseph and Kathleen Paisley

William (Bill) Doyle



A light went out on earth for us, the day we said goodbye, And on that day three stars were born, the brightest in the sky. Reaching through the darkness with their rays of purest white, lighting up the Heavens as they once lit up our lives.



With beams of love to heal the broken hearts you left behind, where always in our memories your beautiful stars will shine

Remembering you all with love on this Christmas day and always.

Also remembering Kathleen's godson Liam Doyle on his 2nd Christmas away from home and all the deceased members of the Doyle and Paisley families this Christmas.



Lots of love from all your loving family

Rest in Peace Joseph, Kathleen and Bill

Christmas Remembrance



MICHAEL KERRY Sr



ROSE KERRY



JOE KERRY



MICHAEL KERRY Jr



AGNES GLEESON



JOHN-PAUL MITCHELL

If I could have a life time wish a dream that would come true, I'd pray to God with all my heart for yesterday and you, A thousand words can't bring you back, I know because I've tried, And neither will a million tears, I know because I've cried, You left behind my broken heart & happy memories too, But I never wanted memories I only wanted you.

Loved and missed always by their loving families & friends.

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

**MARY, ALO and
ALAN McEVOY**

Late of St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.

Alo's 6th Anniversary occurs 28th December '24



Alo's 6th Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on **Saturday 28th December, 6.30pm**



*It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.
You left us peaceful memories,
Your love is still our guide,
And though we cannot see you,
You are always by our side.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.*



Remembering especially their Son

ALAN McEVOY

*Who sadly passed away on
7th October 2023*

2nd Christmas away from Home



And their Grandson

DARYL DARGAN

8th Christmas away from Home

Sadly missed by Sean, Joanne & Family

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
PATRICIA GING**

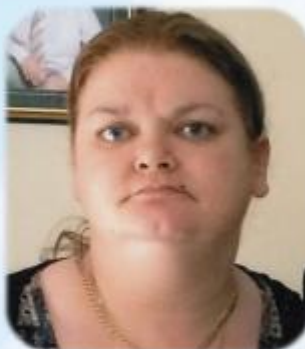
Formerly 44 St. John's Square, Portlaoise.

8th Christmas away from Home

And her Son

ARON GING

5th Christmas away from Home



This Christmas you're in a different place, and though we seem apart, we're closer than we ever were, you're both here in our hearts. You are with us as we greet each day and while the sun shines bright, you're here to share the sunsets too and we feel your presence each night. We feel you close when times are good, sharing a laugh or two, and if a tear should start to fall, that's when we are thinking of you. Because those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday, unseen, unheard, but always near, so loved, so missed, so very dear. And when that day arrives, that we are no longer apart, we will smile and hold you close to us, safely forever in our hearts.

♥ Thinking of you in Heaven today and always ♥

Loved and missed by all their loving family.

Rest in Peace Patricia & Aron

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

STELLA PHELAN

*Cois na Habhann, Portlaoise.
2nd Christmas away from Home*



*Every day in some small way,
Memories of you come our way,
Though absent, you are always near,
Still loved, missed and always dear.*

Still loved by your daughter Edel and Kevin and grandchildren Darra and Ryan.

Rest in Peace Stella

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

IMELDA MADIGAN

*54 árdan Glas, Portlaoise.
2nd Anniversary occurs
24th December 2024*



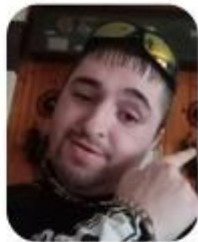
*Loving memories of one so dear,
Treasured still with a love sincere,
In our hearts she is living yet,
We loved her too dearly to forget.*

Sadly missed & always remembered by your husband Daniel, sons Daniel, Michael & Gerard.

May Imelda Rest In Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
ALICE TOM & KEITH McEVOY
80 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.



Wonderful memories of ones so dear,
Treasured still with a love sincere,
In our hearts they are living yet,
We loved them too dearly to forget.

Also thinking of other departed loved ones at this time.

From all their loving family.

Rest in Peace Alice, Tom and Keith

In Loving Memory of

MARY KATE SHEEHAN

68 O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.
7th Anniversary and Christmas away from Home.



If roses grow in Heaven,
Lord pick a bunch for me,
Place them in my Mother's arms
and tell her they are from me,
Tell her that I love and miss her
and when she turns to smile,
Place a kiss upon her cheek and
hold her for a while,

Remembering her is easy, I do it every day,
But there's an ache in my heart that never goes
away.

Loved and missed dearly by your daughter,
Philomena and family.

Rest in Peace Mary-Kate

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
SEAN & KEVIN KEOGH
Parkview, Portlaoise.



When ties of love are
broken, and loved ones
have to part,
It leaves a wound that
never heals, an ever
aching heart.



From your loving wife Brid and family.

May Sean & Kevin Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
MICHAEL KERRY

Cois na hAbhann, Greenmill Lane,
Portlaoise.

3rd Christmas away from Home.

The moment that you died.
My heart was torn in two.
One side filled with heartache.
The other died with you.

Sadly missed, loved and remembered
by your loving wife Tina, son Declan
daughter Rebecca, daughter-in-law
Catriona, son-in-law Ciaran and
grandchildren, Leah, Eoghan, Alana, Ava and Hannah.

Rest in Peace Michael

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

To a cherished Mother and adored Nannie
NUALA BEALE
Glenbrook, Ballyroan.

2nd Birthday away from Home occurs 24th December
2024.



We miss you from your fireside chair,
Your loving smile and gentle air,
Your vacant place no one can fill,
We miss you Mam and always will.
She was a Mam so very rare,
Content in her home, and always there,
In Heaven you rest, God Bless you Mam,
You were one of the best.

Always remembered by your
loving family.

Rest in Peace Nuala



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
MICHAEL CONROY

Cooltoran, Ridge Rd, Portlaoise .
2nd Christmas away from Home.



Your hand we cannot touch,
Still we have so many memories,
Of the ones we loved so much.
Your memory is our keepsake,
With which we'll never part,
God has you in his keeping,
We have you in our hearts.

Loved and missed today and always, your loving
wife Margaret, daughters Louise and Denise and
their partners, his son Michael and his adored
grandchildren Leila, Eve and Charlie.

Rest in Peace Michael

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
TIMMY & BERNADETTE SCULLY
3 New Road, Portlaoise.



*It's sad that you're not with us, at this lovely time of year,
But we have precious memories of when you both were
here.*

*You made each Christmas special, the way it's meant to be,
And filled it with your love, kindness and generosity.
You were the dearest Mam and Dad,
We know that we were blessed,
And pray that Christmas Angels, bring you sweet
eternal rest.*

*Always in our thoughts, forever in our hearts.
Loved and remembered always by your daughters
Mary and Bernadette, grandsons Senan and Cillian
son-in-law John, family and friends.*

Rest in Peace Timmy and Bernadette

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
AMY DUNPHY

Marian Ave, Portlaoise.
2nd Christmas away from Home.



*We hear your voice floating on the
wind, catch your scent upon the breeze,
We wish we had you here to guide us
through mourning's stormy seas,
We miss your smile, we miss your laugh,
we miss the times we shared,
We even miss the times we cried,
just because you were there.*

*The ache we feel inside our chest is so
deep and so profound, that we feel as
though we have lost our hold, upon the solid ground,
In our darkest moments we can feel that you are near,
Keeping your watch over us, always and forever here.*

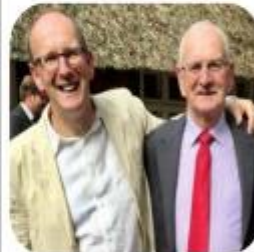
*Loved, missed and always remembered by Mammy,
Daddy, your little man Brody, Gemma, Gary, Ava,
Noah, Dara and all your loving family and friends .xxx*

Rest in Peace Amy

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
DECLAN and TOM BRACKEN

Block Road, Portlaoise.
2nd Christmas away from Home



Thinking of you both always

*Sadly missed, loved and
remembered by Nancy
and all the family.*

Rest in Peace Declan & Tom

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
DANIEL FITZPATRICK KERRY
11 Clonrooske view, Portlaoise.



*We think of you every day especially at
Christmas time.*

*Today you're in Heaven watching over us
with our other Angels.*

*Today we will spend time together
remembering our memories of you.*

*Happy Christmas in Heaven to our dear
son, brother, uncle, nephew and grandson.*

Love Mammy, Daddy, Clodagh, Roisin, Leanne & Freya xx

Also remembering this Christmas

*Our dearly loved and missed angel Autumn Breeze Hurley,
nanny Phyllis Fitzpatrick, cousin Leona Cuddy and
grandfather Johnny Delaney xx*

Rest in Peace Daniel

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
MARY & KEVIN FOGARTY

Marian Avenue, Portlaoise.
Remembering you on your 5th Christmas in Heaven



*Loving and kind in all your
ways, upright and just to
the end of your days,
Sincere and true, in heart
and mind, beautiful
memories you left behind.*



*Sadly missed and remembered by their loving family
and friends and neighbours.*

May They Rest in Peace

Unto us a child is born





CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE



Lovingly Remembering



My dear husband
MARTIN RAFTER

My son
DAVID RAFTER
My daughter-in-law
VANDA RAFTER

In thought we see you just the same, with love & pride we speak your names,
Sunshine passes & shadows fall, but love & memories,
Outlast them all.

Love always Mam (Betty)

xxx

Remembering Mammy & Daddy

*We miss you now, our hearts are sore, as time goes by we miss you more,
Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one can ever fill your vacant place.*

***Loved and missed today and forever by your daughter Amy son Stefan, his
partner Jennifer, grandson Daithí and your faithful friend Teddy.***

xxx

Daddy, David & Vanda

Everyday without you, since you had to go,
Is like a summer without sunshine and Christmas without snow.

Never forgotten, remembering all the happy times,

Love John, Martina & Craig

xxx

Never say goodbye to love and let it pass away. Always hold us in your hearts
and think of us each day. For our love is always with you, from now until the
end, for moments shared will never die.

And true love shall transcend

Love Jimmy, Claire and Family.

xxx

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance
DAVID and VANDA
RAFTER

5th and 2nd Christmas away from Home



*We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
 As time goes by we miss you more,
 Your loving smile, your gentle face,
 No one can ever fill your vacant place.*

*Loved and missed today and forever by your
 daughter Amy, son Stefan, his partner
 Jennifer, grandson Daithí and your
 faithful friend Teddy xxx*

Rest in Peace Mam & Dad xxx

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
ESTHER SZWAGLIS
and her Daughter
VANDA RAFTER

*Late of 170 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
 25th and 2nd Christmas away from home.*



Christmas without You

Although it's sad to reminisce on Christmases we knew, this year I shall celebrate in memory of both of you.

I will put aside my sorrow with every unshed tear, and concentrate on all the love we shared when you were both here.

Our time together taught me what Christmas time is for, and that's what I'll remember, Until we meet once more.

*Sadly missed, loved and remembered by your
 loving husband and father Les, Philomena, Rita,
 Les Jnr. and Clive, Esther's daughters-in-law,
 sons-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren
 and Vanda's sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces
 and nephews.*

Also remembering Esther's sisters Alice and Mary

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
Father and Son
RAY AND DEAN BERGIN

*14 St. John's Square, Portlaoise.
 6th and 7th Christmas away from home.*



Missing you both this Christmas

*As we look up at the stars,
 We search for the brightest ones,
 And we know that's where ye are.*

*All our love, missing you always.
 From your wife and mother Mossie,
 Martina, Lisa, Sandra, grandchildren,
 nieces and nephews.*

Rest In Peace Ray and Dean



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
TOM TIERNEY

*Tierman, Ballydavis, Portlaoise.
 8th Anniversary occurs 4th January 2025*



*Time slips by and
 life moves on,
 But in our hearts,
 You'll always live on.*

*Loved and remembered by
 your loving wife Paula, sons
 Séamus and Ruaidhrí.*

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dilis

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*Our Dear Grandmother, Mother
and Brother*

**HANNAH MOYLAN, HANNAH
and PA TUOHY**

*Oakleaf Place, Portlaoise.
10 Marian Avenue, Portlaoise.*



*Our family chain is broken and nothing is the
same, but as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.*

*We didn't always tell you, but we always
hoped you knew, how much we truly loved,
And thought the world of you.*

You are all so missed by all your family.

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*In Loving Memory of
SEAMUS AND BILLY DARGAN
Harpurs Lane, Portlaoise.*



Gone but never forgotten

Two Gentlemen

*Sadly missed and always
remembered by
Noel, Bridie and the
O'Sullivan family.*

Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

*In Loving Memory of
FRANK RODDY*

*3 Well Road, Portlaoise.
3rd Christmas away from Home.*

*As day dawns and starts anew,
As each day ends I think of you,
And in between, no matter where,
Deep in my heart you're always there.
A smile for all, a heart of gold, one of the
best this world could hold,
Never selfish, always kind,
Beautiful memories left behind.*

*Sadly missed and loved by your loving wife Mary,
family and friends.*

May His Gentle Soul Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory

*Of My Beautiful Daughter
SAMANTHA MOORE*

*2 Triogue Manor, Portlaoise
Birthday and Christmas Remembrance*



*I feel her presence in the breeze,
She dances gently through the trees,
And in her face that I shall see,
When im in need of company.
At anytime I can recall,
The love we shared I've saved it all.
And in time more than anything,
I'll find some peace in remembering.*

Missed and loved forever,

Your mam x

Rest in Peace Samantha

**CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
THOMAS & FRANCES CARROLL**

*Thomas - 14th Christmas Away from Home
Frances - 7th Christmas Away from Home
72 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise*



*You'll never be forgotten, we pledge to you both today,
A hallowed place within our hearts,
Is where you both will stay.*

Sadly missed by your loving family.

May Thomas and Frances Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*In Loving Memory of
ELLEN BYRNE*

*Forest Park, Portlaoise and Dublin.
5th Christmas away from Home.*



*We think of you in silence,
We often speak your name,
But all we have are memories,
And your picture in a frame.
Your resting place we visit,
And put flowers there with care,
But no one knows the heartache as
we turn and leave you there.*

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

Rest in Peace Ellen

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
FINT GORMAN - 4th Christmas
CRAIG KELLY-GORMAN
11th Christmas
AARON KELLY-GORMAN
6th Christmas



Loving memories never die, as years roll on and days pass by, in our hearts a memory is kept, of ones we loved and will never forget.

*RIP Fint, love from your wife Ann and family.
RIP boys, love from Dad, Brandon, Chloe, Grace,
family and friends.*

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
A loving Mother and Father
WILLIAM & SHEILA READY
Late of 26 O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.



Thinking of you this Christmas and how things just aren't the same,
There's this dull and nagging heartache,
When someone speaks your name.
Sadly we can't buy gifts for you, just silent tears that fall, for this time of year without you, is the hardest time of all.

From your son William, daughter Marie and your granddaughters.

Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

Of our Angels in Heaven
MARY & ALICE NEVIN
Mountain View Square, Portlaoise.
Remembrance Mass will be held in Sts. Peter and Paul's Church
Tuesday 24/12/24 at 10am



*We know that you both are watching over us, like you always did.
We love and miss you both dearly, especially at this time of year.
Christmas*

Always loved and remembered by
Paddy, Kathleen, family and grandchildren.
May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
THOMAS, CRAIG AND
AARON KELLY



Do you think there's a Christmas in Heaven?
Because I have loving sons and my father up there,
I can no longer give them special gifts, but I want them to know, I still care and miss them so deeply.

So I'll send them my love forever, and send prayers that they're doing just fine, and my thoughts will always be with them, with a promise they will always be mine.

Sending love and hugs this Christmas, to my beautiful precious hearts, Daddy, Craig, Aaron, my darling loved ones who are resting in Heaven above.

Love you all forever Daddy and my two handsome Sons.

Love, Mammy, Mudasar, Brandon, Aisha, Noah and Junaid xxx

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
NED (Edward) & MADGE McEVOY

Capoley, Portlaoise.

27th & 7th Christmas away from home.



*You never lose the ones you love,
They walk beside us everyday,
Unseen unheard but always
near, a Father and Mother
we loved so dear.*



Forever in our hearts, loved and missed by Sarahann, Ailish,
Mary, Joe, Breda and families.

May Ned & Madge Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
MARTIN (Bunny) CARROLL

Marian Avenue, Portlaoise.

4th Anniversary occurred 19th December 2024
5th Christmas away from home.



*Though your smile is gone forever,
And your hand I cannot touch,
I still have so many memories,
Of the one I loved so much.
Your memory is now my keepsake,
Which with I'll never part,
God has you in His keeping,
I have you in my heart.*

*Sadly missed, but never
forgotten. Love your wife Chris x*

*Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure,
You are loved beyond words, and missed beyond
measure.*

Love and miss you everyday, Sinead & Jack x

*In loving memory of
A Dear Brother, Uncle and Friend
May the winds of Heaven blow softly and whisper
in your ear, how much we love and miss you and
wish that you were here.*

Love always Mary, Michael, John & families x

*Not a day passes by dad that you don't cross my
mind, not all of you departed when you left our
earth behind.*

*For in my heart there is a place that only you can
hold, filled with lovely memories far more priceless
than gold.*

*I know that you still hear me dad so please know
this is true, that everything I am today is all
because of you.*

*Remembering you is easy, I do it everyday,
But missing you is a heartache that never goes
away.*

Love you always and forever, Karen x

*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.
Loved and missed dearly, Louise, Jamie and
Aaron x*

**Also remembering Martins Parents Mary and
William, brothers Ned, Henry and Bill and
sister Sheila**

Loved and missed dearly

Rest in Peace Martin

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

For a much loved and cherished Wife, Mother,
Grandmother and Great-Grandmother

MARY LALOR

Ballycarroll, Portlaoise.

4th Christmas away from Home



*Those we love never go away,
They walk beside us everyday,
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved, still missed and very dear.*

Forever in our Hearts, Paddy, Patricia, Jennifer,
Seamus, Carol, Pdraig, Mary and families.

Rest in Peace Mary

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
JIMMY RYAN

Capoley, Portlaoise.

10th Christmas away from home.

10th Anniversary occurs 2nd January 2025

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on
Thursday 2nd January 2025 at 10am



Always remembered by Joe, Jennifer, Edward,
Joseph, David

May He Rest In Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
JIM FITZPATRICK

Abbeyleix Rd., Portlaoise.



*Jimmy, Suaimhneas Dé ár
d'anam dílis, le grá ó do
chilann go léir*

Christmas Remembrance

Of our beautiful daughter
MARIA GREENE

St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise. 7/2/09-15/3/14
11th Christmas in Heaven



Happy Christmas

Love from Daddy, Mommy,
brothers Stephen and Denis, sister
Natalie, grandparents, uncles,
aunts and cousins.

We'll always feel you are close to us and though you are
far from sight, we'll search for you among the stars that
shine on Christmas night.

Also remember

Our Loving Mother
JOSEPHINE (Josie)
GREENE

Kilimy, Emo.
9th Christmas in Heaven

Happy Christmas

Love from your sons, daughters, son-in-law,
daughter-in-law and grandchildren.



Christmas Remembrance

MARGARET HOULIHAN

14 Oaklawn, Ballyfin Road, Portlaoise.
7th Christmas away from home



Snowflake to Heaven
at Christmas.

I am sending this
snowflake with a hug
and a kiss, to my wife in
Heaven, who I love
and miss.

We are sharing this
snowflake in loving
memory of our beautiful

Mother, who we love and miss at Christmas time.

We miss you and think of you everyday,

We will never forget you.

Gone but never forgotten.

Sadly missed and always remembered by
your loving husband James, sons, daughters,
grandchildren and extended family.

Rest in Peace Margaret

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
MAURICE & KATHLEEN (Kitty) KERRY

1 Harpurs Lane and New Rd., Portlaoise.
10th and 12th Christmas away from home.



You left us such happy memories, that can make us
laugh and cry, the memories we have together,
no money in the world can buy.

There's this place within our hearts that no one else can
fill, we miss you both so very much and we always will.

Sadly missed by all their loving family and friends.

Rest in Peace Maurice and Kathleen

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
LARRY McDONALD

Lakeglen, Portlaoise. 13th Christmas away from home.

Gone are the days we used
to share, but in our hearts
you are always there.

The gates of memory will
never close, we miss you
more than anyone knows.
With tender love and deep
regret, we who love you
will never forget.

Sadly missed by your loving wife Margaret,
sons and grandchildren and great-grandchild.

May Larry Rest in Peace



Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
TOMMY SKELLY

St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
Remembering you on your 3rd Christmas in Heaven.



Those we love never go away,
They walk beside us everyday,
Unseen, unheard but always near,
Still loved, still missed and very dear.

Loved and missed dearly by your loving
wife Laura, daughter Anita, sons Jason,
Tom and family xx

Rest in Peace Tommy

Christmas Birthday Remembrance
In Loving Memory of My Husband
STEPHEN DWANE

11 Mill Court, Green Mill Lane, Portlaoise.
11th Christmas and Birthday away from Home



*Although you can't be here
with me, we're truly not
apart,
Until the final breath I
take, you'll be living in my
heart.*

*Sadly missed by his loving wife
Philomena Dwane xx*

May Stephen Rest in Peace

Christmas Birthday Remembrance
In Loving Memory of Our Father
STEPHEN DWANE

11 Mill Court, Green Mill Lane, Portlaoise.
11th Christmas & Birthday away from home.



*We think of you in silence,
We often speak your name,
But all we have are memories and your
picture in a frame,
Your resting place we visit and put
flowers there with care,
But no one knows the heartache as we
turn and leave you there.*

*To a loving father; sadly missed by your sons, daughters
and extended family. Forever in our Hearts. xx*

May Stephen Rest in Peace

Christmas Birthday Remembrance
In Loving Memory of Our Grandad
STEPHEN DWANE

11 Mill Court, Green Mill Lane, Portlaoise.
11th Christmas & Birthday away from home.



*It's lonely here without you,
We miss you more each day,
For life is not the same to us,
Since you were called away.*

To Grandad

Missing you every day.

*Merry Christmas and Happy Birthday from your
grandchildren and great-grandchildren xx*

May Stephen Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of
EOGHAN FRIEL

Derry and Portlaoise
7th Christmas away from home



*You never said I'm leaving
You never said goodbye
You were gone before I knew it and only
God knew why.
A million times I needed you,
A million times I cried,
If love alone would have saved you
You never would have died.*

*Loved and missed today and forever
your son Cillian and daughter Niamh*

Rest in Peace Eoghan

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
RITA LALOR

57 Hillview Drive, Portlaoise.
8th Christmas away from home.



*Thinking of you today, Mum, but then
that is nothing new, for you were
thought of yesterday, and will be
tomorrow too.*

*Because you're missed so very
much, far more than words can say,
And sadly Mum, no presents, cards
or hugs on Christmas Day.*

*Just silent tears and a special kiss, blown to Heaven
above, to thank you for a lifetime of devoted, selfless
love, and a whispered Christmas promise that on
each day yet to come, you will always be
remembered, for you meant the world to us Mum.*

*Loved always by Terry, Lisa, Nicola, Derek, Keith, Ciara,
grandchildren, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers,
sisters, nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.*

Rest in Peace Rita

I am with you

always

Matthew 28:20

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
JOHN, MARY and JOHN Jnr. ROCHE
 Mountrath Rd., Portlaoise.



*John's 7th Christmas Remembrance
 Mary's 3rd Christmas away from Home
 John Jnr. 23rd Christmas Remembrance*

*I hide my tears when I say your name,
 But the pain in my heart is still the same,
 Though I smile and seem carefree,
 There is no one who misses you more than me.
 Your presence I miss, your memory I treasure,
 Loving you always, forgetting you never.*

*Sadly missed and always remembered by all their
 loving family, extended family and friends.*

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
BRIAN LARKIN Jnr.
 Bianconi Way, Portlaoise. 7th Christmas in Heaven



*His charming ways and smiling
 face are a pleasure to recall,
 He had a kindly word for each,
 And died loved by all.*

*From your Mother Catherine,
 brothers Michael and Alan and
 sister Denise.*

Rest in Peace Brian

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
BRIAN LARKIN
 Marian Avenue, Portlaoise.
 5th Christmas away from Home.



*Two tired eyes are sleeping,
 Two willing hands are still,
 For one who suffered far too much,
 Is resting in God's will.
 You never said goodbye to us,
 Perhaps it's just as well,
 We never could have said goodbye,
 To one we loved so well.*

*From your loving wife Catherine, sons Michael,
 Brian jnr. (R.I.P.) and Alan and daughter Denise.*

Rest in Peace Brian

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
ANGELA CLEARY née Colbert
 37 Lakeglen, Portlaoise. 7th Christmas away from home.



*To a loving Wife, cherished
 Mother and adored Nanny*

*Thinking of you this
 Christmas and how things
 just aren't the same,
 There's this dull and nagging
 heartache, when someone
 speaks your name,
 Sadly we can't buy gifts for
 you, just silent tears that fall,
 For this time of year without you, is the hardest
 time of all.*

*Sadly missed by your loving husband Tom,
 daughters Stephanie, Tracey and Paula,
 grandchildren Craig, Ben, Ryan, Roisin and
 Willow and great-granddaughter Grace.*

Always in our hearts.

Rest in Peace Mam

In Loving Memory of
JOSEPH DUFF
 Beladd, Portlaoise.
 6th Anniversary occurs 25th December 2024.



*Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts.
 Peter & Paul's Parish Church, this Sunday
 22nd December at 10am.*

*God called your name so softly,
 That only you could hear,
 And no one heard the footsteps,
 Of angels drawing near,
 The golden gates stood open,
 God saw you needed rest,
 His garden must be beautiful,
 He only takes the best.*

*Sadly missed by your sister Margaret, brother Eddie and
 family.*

Rest in Peace Joe



**9th Anniversary and
Christmas Remembrance**

For A Loving Partner and Brother
FERGUS PATRICK DUNNE



9th Anniversary Mass will be celebrated
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Church on
Saturday 4th January at 10am

*Fergus, your life was a blessing,
Your memory a treasure,
You are loved beyond words and missed
beyond measure.*

Always remembered by his loving partner Esther,
brothers, sister, relatives and friends.

Also remembering other deceased relatives and friends at this
time.

May Fergus Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

For a Loving Sister, Mother and Gran
MARGARET LYNCH née DOHENY
St. John's Square, Portlaoise.



*Sadly missed along life's way,
Quietly remembered everyday,
No longer in our lives to share,
But in our hearts you are always there.*

Sadly missed and always remembered by
her loving family and friends.

Also remembering other deceased relatives and friends at this time.

May Margaret Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance
ANTHONY REDDIN

8 Triogue Place, Portlaoise and Mountmellick.
First Christmas away from home.

First Year Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on
Saturday 11th January at 6.30pm.



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

Sadly missed, loved and remembered by
his sons Pierce and Cole and their mother
Elizabeth, his granddaughter Emily-Rose,
god-child Keelin, partner Margaret and
her family, brothers, sisters, extended
family and large circle of friends.

Rest in Peace Anthony

Christmas Remembrance

For our Loving Parents
THOMAS & JULIA DOHENY

23 St. John's Sq. Portlaoise.

*Ye cared for us when we were small,
Watched over us as we grew tall,
Ye shared our joys and dried our tears,
Thank you for those precious years.*

With love from their daughters, sons,
grandchildren, great-grandchildren,
extended family and friends.

Also remembering other deceased
relatives and friends at this time.



May Thomas and Julia Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
MARTIN WALSH SNR
MARTIN WALSH JR
AND ANTHONY WALSH

118 St. Brigid's Place,
Portlaoise.



It's lonely here without you.
We miss you more each day for
life is not the same for us,
Since you were called away to
your resting place we visit.
Place flowers there with care,
but no one knows our
heartache when we turn and
leave you there.



*Sadly missed and always
remembered by your loving wife
and mother Margaret, brother
Joseph, sisters Mary, Tina, Attracta,
Patricia, Colette & families.*



May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

Remembering a dear Mother and Father
VIRGINIA & PATRICK DOYLE

Lakeglen, Portlaoise.



*I wonder if he's teasing you
now Ma, I wonder if he's
holding your hand,
Love has a way of never
letting go, sure I know, you're
together somehow.*

Finbar Furey



Sadly missed by their children Lisa, Thomas and Patrick
and grandchildren, Jane, Brian, Barry, Jack and Joe.

May They Rest in Peace

Jesus Light of the World

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
MARGARET MURPHY**

68 Marian Avenue, Portlaoise.
19th Anniversary occurs 24th December 24'
Also remembering her Son-in-Law

DAVE WALSH

68 Marian Avenue, Portlaoise.
13th Christmas away from Home.



Thinking of you always
From Catherine, Marguerite and families



*Rest In Peace
Margaret and Dave*

**Christmas Remembrance
KATHLEEN CLEARY**

St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.



Nothing can ever take away,
The love a heart holds dear,
Fond memories linger everyday,
Remembrance keeps you near.
Also remembering her husband Jack
whose 46th anniversary occurred this year.

Loved and remembered by the Lambe
family and the Lalor family.

Rest in Peace Kathleen

Christmas Remembrance

**Gertrude
John
Eamon
ROCHE**

Ballycarroll, Portlaoise, Laois

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

Loved and missed always by daughter Anne, son-in-law
James and grandchildren.

May They Rest in Peace



**In Loving Memory of
TOM PHELAN**

Clonkeen, Portlaoise



We miss the bond between us,
We miss your kind support,
You are in our hearts
and in our minds,
And every Christmas thought.

**Missing you at Christmas time
and always.**

Lots of love from your loving family.

Rest in Peace Dad

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

DAN HEFFERNAN

New Line Road, Mountrath.



Safe with all the angels, They
only take the best. And though
you are in our thoughts
throughout the year,
At special times like Christmas,
we all wish you could be here.

Happy Christmas. Always remembered by your
loving family xxx

Rest in Peace Dan

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of

LENA CONNOLLY

Stradbally Road, Portlaoise.
6th Christmas away from home.



Always in our thoughts
Forever in our hearts.

Happy Christmas

Always loved and remembered by her loving husband Paddy,
sons, daughters and grandchildren.

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
CHRISSIE GRAHAM**

Ridge Road. Portlaoise. 25-12-13.



We never need a special day to bring you to
our minds, for days without a thought of you
Mam are very hard to find.

We cannot send a birthday card,
Your hand we cannot touch,
But God will take our greetings, to you Mam,
who we love so much.

Happy Birthday. Loved always by your husband Jim,
son and daughters and grandchildren.

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
CAROLINE KHANDKER

Died 25th August 1982

And her Mother

TERESA KHANDKER

née McCormack. Died 13th May 2019



It's sad that you're not with us at this special time of year, but we have precious memories of when you were still here. We'll always feel you close to us and though you're far from sight, we'll see you in the stars above that shine on Christmas night.

*Deeply missed and always in our hearts,
 Samantha, Shabil, Nashad and families.*

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
JOHNNY & MAISIE DOLLARD

32 St. John's Square, Portlaoise.

PATRICK (Paddy) & ANNIE Na CARROLL

25 Dr. Murphy's Place, Portlaoise.



*Missing you at Christmas
 In our thoughts and prayers at Christmas. Always thought of especially at this time of the year. Missed always by your loving family*



*From your children,
 grandchildren and great-grandchildren x*

Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance
THERESA WHELAN

23 Coote Street, Portlaoise.

2nd Christmas away from Home



*We hold you close within our hearts,
 And there you shall remain,
 To walk with us, throughout our lives,
 Until we meet again.*

*So rest in peace dear loved one and thanks for all you've done,
 We pray that God has given you,
 The crown you've truly won.*

Sadly missed and always remembered by your loving husband Paddy and sister Olive.

Rest in Peace Theresa

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
KATHLEEN (Kay) & PATSY DEEVY

24 Lakeglen, Portlaoise.



*Someone is Missing
 at Christmas*

*In Memory of a Special
 Mam and Dad with love
 at Christmas*

*Thinking of you both today, but then, that is nothing new,
 For both of you were thought of yesterday, and will be tomorrow too.*

*Because you're missed so very much,
 Far more than words can say,
 And sadly, no presents, cards, or hugs on this Christmas day.*

*Just silent tears and special kisses, blown to Heaven above,
 To you both for a lifetime of devoted, selfless love.*

*And a whispered Christmas promise, that on each day yet
 to come,*

*You both will always be remembered,
 For you both meant the world to us.*

Sadly missed by your sons Pat and Brendan, daughter Hannah, daughters-in-law Sylvia and Maura, son-in-law Paddy, grandchildren Craig, Rebecca and Paddy.

May Kathleen & Patsy Rest In Peace

Christmas Remembrance
JIMMY & MAY PRESTON

St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.



Missing you Mam and Dad at Christmas

It's sad that you are not with us at this lovely time of year, but we have precious memories of when you both were here.

*You made Christmas special, the way its meant to be,
 Filled with love and kindness and generosity.*

*You were the dearest Mam and Dad,
 We know that we were blessed, and pray that Christmas angels, bring you sweet eternal rest.*

Loved and missed dearly by all your loving family.

May Jimmy and May Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
WILLIE LYNCH and
SHANE LYNCH**

4th and 1st Christmas away from Home.



**Remembering our Angels In Heaven
at Christmas Time.**

*The sadness never goes away,
The silent tears still flow,
You're thought of and so sadly missed,
More than you'll ever know,
But now you're with the Angels,
Safe and sound in Heaven above,
We hold on to the memories,
And treasure them with love,
Yet special times like Christmas,
Often make us wonder why,
God took you from this world.
It was too soon to say goodbye,
But memories are precious,
They will last a lifetime through,
We know that God has chosen you to be his
Angel too.*

**Also Remember 1st Anniversary for
SHANE LYNCH which occurs on the 29th Dec.**

*Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Church on
Sunday 29th December at 12.30pm*

Gone But Not Forgotten.

*One year has gone by, and not a day passes
without me thinking of you.
Your love and the memories we shared remain
my strength.
We miss you beyond words*

**Missed unconditionally by their adoring Wife
and mother Kathleen, son's and daughter's
brother's and sister's Tara, Katie, Nicole,
Shannon, Dylan and Aaron, grandchildren, and
nephews and all extended family and friends.**

May They Rest In Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
BILLY LYNCH R.I.P.
St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
And his son
WILLIE LYNCH Jnr.**

**Died October 2021
4th Christmas away from home
And his grandson
SHANE LYNCH
1st Christmas away from home**



*You won't be far from our thoughts on this Christmas Day,
Enjoy your time together until we meet again.*

Loved always and missing you this Christmas

**From your loving wife Betty
and family xxx**

*May They
Rest in Peace*



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
MICHAEL (Mick) GING**

**Green Road, Portlaoise.
2nd Christmas away from Home.**



*Dad, it's been the hardest thing to lose
you, you meant so much to me,
But you are in my heart Dad,
And that's where you'll always be.
I know that Heaven called you,
But I wish you could have stayed,
At least the memories I have of you,
They will never fade.*

*I did not want to lose you, but you did
not go alone, because a part of me went
with you,*

When Heaven called you home.

*So just remember one thing, we are not apart, you're with
me in my memories and in my broken heart.*

Love from Yvonne, Pdraig, John and Antoinette x

*Mick, you were my world, you meant everything to me,
The love I have for you now will last eternally,
I miss your warmth, I miss your strength,
I miss your lovely smile,*

*I wish I could see your face again, even for a little while.
All the magic of the season reminds me so much of you,
The Christmases we spent together were the best I ever
knew.*

*You'll be with me this Christmas, even though we are apart,
Living on in precious memories, like keepsakes in my heart.*

Love from your heartbroken wife Breda x

Rest in Peace Mick

Christmas begins with Christ

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
MARGARET LAWLESS *née Lawlor*
Lakeglen, Portlaoise.
Mag's 6th Christmas away from home.



Deep within our aching hearts,
Wrapped in the purest gold,
Are happy Christmas memories,
Spent with you at home.

As we prepare for Christmas,
Our thoughts will be of you,
You always made our Christmases,
The happiest we ever knew.
We will try our best to celebrate,
The birth of Christ our King,
But in our hearts we realise,
We have lost our everything.
I would give the world if I could say,
Merry Christmas to my Mum today.
To hear your voice, to see you smile,
Would be my dearest wish this
Christmas time.

From your loving husband Sonny, your son Thomas
and daughter in law Louise, grandchildren Tamara,
Thomas (Jnr), Jack, Rhea & Billy,
your son Terry and daughter in law Siobhan and
grandson Luke And your son Alan and
Son in law David

Rest in Peace Margaret

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
JOSEPHINE WATSON
Main St. Portarlinton and Dublin Rd. Portlaoise.
10th Christmas in Heaven



As every moment passes by,
Now that Christmas time is here,
We will be thinking of the joys we
shared, at this special time of year.

We remember the happiness and the
feeling of good cheer,
When we celebrated Christmas in the
days that you were here.

Instead of a card we send our love,
Instead of a gift, a prayer,
We will always love and miss you
and wish that you were here.



Will those who think of
Josephine today.

A little prayer to Jesus say.

With love on this Christmas day and always, from all your
loving family.

May Josephine Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of **TOMMY CLEAR**

17 Liogard, Portlaoise
26th Anniversary occurs 1st January 2025



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, on
Saturday 4th January at 6.30pm.

*It is not what we write or even what we say,
It is what we feel inside as we think of you today*
From his loving wife Mary, sons, daughters,
sons-in-law, daughters-in-law
grandchildren and great grandchild.

May Tommy Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of **RORY CULLITON**

Glenlahan, Portlaoise.
3rd Anniversary occurs 23rd December 2024



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

Greatly missed, loved and
remembered by his loving family.

Rest in Peace Rory

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
**GRETTA KELLY
AND JOE BYRNE**



Deep in our hearts you
will always stay,
Loved and remembered
every day.

Thinking of you both always, especially at Christmas
time from Mammy, Daddy and all the family.

May Gretta and Joe Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
DARYL DARGAN

56 Lakeglen, Portlaoise.
8th Christmas away from Home
To a special Son, Brother and now Uncle



We remember you this Christmas, just like every other year
since you passed. We remember your smile, we remember
your laugh, but most of all we remember your wittiness and
sense of humour. There will be an empty chair again this
year, but we know you are always near.

Love Mammy, Daddy, Lee, Stuart, Jade, Jody and
Noah xxx

Rest in Peace Daryl

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
THE CONROY FAMILY

O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.

Michael (Gilpin) Conroy - Died 07/09/'20 aged 72

4th Anniversary occurred in September

Margaret (Mag) Conroy - Died 14/12/'21 aged 70

3rd Anniversary occurs at this time

Eugene (Tommy) Conroy - Died 09/06/'17 aged 45

7th Anniversary occurred in June

Paul (Gozzy) Conroy - Died 11/02/'23 aged 48

2nd Anniversary occurs in February

Christmas Greetings



**Mammy,
Daddy,
Tommy,
Paul and
Baby
Christopher**



*The Christmas star shines brightly
upon all those missing loved ones in Heaven.
Like freshly fallen snow, our tears fall in the
reminder of those we miss in Heaven this
holiday season.*

*The only wish on our Christmas list is to meet again in
the great beyond.*

We miss you more than ever.

In the still quiet of a cold Christmas night,

We feel your spirit warming our hearts.

*A picture of you I carry in my heart, I close my eyes to
see it when the world gets dark.*

*A memory of you I carry in my soul, I wrap it close
around me when the nights get cold.*

*If you ask how I am, I'd say just fine, but the truth is,
if you could read my mind, not a day goes by that I
don't think of you all.*

*Loving you is easy, we do it every day, missing you is a
heartache that never goes away.*

Beautiful memories are wonderful things,

They last till the longest day,

*They never wear out or get lost and can never be given
away,*

*To some you may be forgotten, to others a part of the
past, but to us who loved and lost you,
your memory will always last.*

Missing all of you.

Love from Jimmy, Theresa and Andrew

Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
ORLA CONROY-KELLY

25 Bianconi Way, Portlaoise.

9th Christmas away from Home



*Everyday without you since you
had to go, is like a summer
without sunshine and
Christmas without snow.*

*We wish that we could talk
to you, there's so much we would
say, life has changed so very
much, since you went away.
We miss the bond between us and
we miss your kind support, you're
in our minds and in our hearts
and every Christmas thought.*

*We'll always feel you close to us, and though you're far
from sight, we'll search for you among the stars that shine
on Christmas night.*

Happy Christmas Orla

You are always on our minds.

*Missed and loved by everyone, especially
Orla-Mae & Emmy.*

From your heart broken parents, brother Brendan,
sisters and partners, Sharon & Jim, Lorena & Shane,
Lynda & Damien, Olivia, Geraldine & John and your
nieces and nephews. Also lovingly remembered by your
adored children Lydian and husband Sean,
son Paddy and granddaughters Orla Mae & Emmy.

Also remembering Orla's Grandparents

MICHAEL & EILEEN GRIFFIN

19 Marian Avenue, Portlaoise.



Remembering you both at Christmas and always

Also remembering Eileen who would be celebrating her
birthday on New Years Eve.

From all your loving family.

Rest in Peace Orla, Michael and Eileen xxx

In Loving Memory of
JOHNNY O'BRIEN

Old Knockmay Road, Portlaoise.

*3rd Christmas Away From Home, 3rd Anniversary & Birthday
Remembrance & Wedding Anniversary occurs on
5th January 2025*



*Saw you getting tired,
And a cure was not to be,
So he put his arms around you,
And whispered come to me,
With tearful eyes we watched you,
And saw you fade away,
And though we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay,
Cold and hearts stop beating,
Your tender hands at rest,
God took you home to prove to us,
He only takes the best.*

*Johnny's Anniversary Mass will be celebrated
in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church
on Sunday 5th at 12:30pm*

*Loved and always remembered by his wife Maura, sons
Richard, John & Tony, Daughters Christine and Maureen,
Daughters-in-Law Frances and Margaret, and all his
grandchildren and his brother Billy.*

May He Rest In Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

TOM WALL

Beladd, Portlaoise. 9th Christmas away from Home.



*Rest in peace dear loved one, and thanks for all you've done,
A special place is in our hearts, that you have truly won.*

*Loved and remembered by your loving wife Lily and all
your family and friends.*

May Tom Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

DANNY MARUM

*Abbeyleix Road, Portlaoise.
6th Christmas away from home.*



*Always so good, unselfish and kind,
Few on this earth, his equal we'll find,
Honourable and upright in all his
ways, loyal and true to the end of his
days.*

*Danny, you will never be forgotten,
your vacant chair will always be there.*

*Sadly missed and fondly remembered
by your good friend Maura x*

Rest in Peace Danny

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
JOSS ROBINSON

132 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.

*2nd Christmas away from
home.*



*Lovingly remembered
and sadly missed by
His wife Margaret, sons Joseph
and Michael, daughters Jackie
and Margaret,
Granddaughters and
great-grandkids.*

Rest in Peace Joss

Christmas Remembrance

and Anniversary

In Loving Memory of

JOHNNY O'BRIEN

Old Knockmay Road, Portlaoise.

*3rd Christmas Away From Home
3rd Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance
occurs on 5th January 2025*



Also Remember

**THOMAS &
KATHLEEN
WHELAN**

*Bellgrove, Ballybrittas and Marian
Avenue, Portlaoise.*

*Nothing can ever take away,
The love a heart holds dear,
Fond memories linger every day,
Remembrance keeps you both near.*

Always loved and remembered by Maureen and family.

May They Rest in Peace



Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

STELLA PHELAN

Cois na Habhann, Portlaoise.

2nd Christmas away from Home



*Every day in some small way,
Memories of you come our way,
Though absent, you are always near,
Still loved, missed and always dear.*

*Still loved by your daughter Edel and Kevin and
grandchildren Darra and Ryan.*

Rest in Peace Stella

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In loving memory of

TONY WHITE

Banagher, Co. Offaly

Missing you Daddy on your 2nd Christmas away from home.



With all the celebrations,
And Christmas drawing near,
What a lovely time we'd have,
If only you were here.

We'd spend so many happy hours,
The way we did before.
Christmas is for loved ones,
And we couldn't miss you more.

When we wake on Christmas day,
We'll look to Heaven above,
And we'll remember every smile,
And think of you with love.

R.I.P DADDY

Sadly missed & always remembered by your daughter Margaret, granddaughter Clodagh & Margaret's partner Jimmy

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

GEORGE KEYES

2nd Christmas away from home.

CHRISTINE KEYES

1st Christmas away from home.



*It's hard to believe you're no longer here,
We think of you, you feel so near,
In some small way every single day,
Memories of you come our way.*

PETER KELLEGER

1st Christmas away from home.



*Wonderful memories woven in gold,
This is a picture I tenderly hold,
Deep in my heart a memory is kept,
To Love, to cherish, Never to forget.*

Sadly missed and loved by Brenda, Ashleen, Shannon, Clodagh and Jayson

May They Rest In Peace

In Loving Memory of

Thomas (Tom) Lawless

Newpark, Portlaoise

1st Christmas away from home.



Think of him as living in the hearts of those he touched,

For nothing loved is ever lost,
And he was loved so very much.

We keep in our hearts the love of the past,
For there it was planted forever to last.

Your presence we miss, your memory we treasure,
Loving you always, forgetting you never.

Sadly missed by your loving wife Kathleen, sons and daughters and their families

Rest in Peace Tom

Christmas Remembrance

WILLIAM CONROY

O' Moore Place. Anniversary occurred 1st December.

NANCY CONROY

O' Moore Place and 1 Maisonettes.

Anniversary occurs 14th January.

ESTHER CONROY

O' Moore Place. Anniversary occurs 7th March.

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of

JOE BYRNE

24 Liogard, Portlaoise.

11th Christmas from home



*Since Heaven has become your home,
I always feel so alone,
And though we are not far apart,
You will forever hold a piece of my heart.*

Always remembered by his loving wife Olive.

May Joseph Rest in Peace



Deep in our hearts you will always stay,
Loved and remembered everyday.

Missed by all your loving family & relatives.

Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
**LIAM CONROY AND HIS GRANDSON
 SHANE FINAN**

GREAT-GRAN ELIZABETH HACKETT
 10 New Row, Green Road, Portlaoise.
 Also remembering Shane's birthday which
 occurs 2nd January 2025



*We miss your smiles, your joking ways,
 We miss the things you use to say,
 And when old times, we do recall,
 It's then we miss you most of all.*

**From Nana Mary & Brian, Shirley, John &
 Conor, Jake & Steven and Louise.**

May They Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
THE O' SHEA FAMILIES
 207 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.



Edward O'Shea Julia O'Shea Edward (Sonny) O'Shea Oliver O'Shea Frankie O'Shea



Geraldine Keegan Angela Kelly-O'Shea Gerard Kelly John Kelly Lisa O'Shea



Joseph O'Shea Jamie-Lee Moore Wayne Kelly Elizabeth (Betty) O'Brien



George Keyes Christine Keyes Deirdre Kelly Angrea Kelly



Michael (Gilpin) Conroy Paul (Gozy) Conroy Tommy Conroy Margaret Conroy

Also remember Sinead McCreavy

*From Lucy, Mag, Ann, Paul, Michael and
 Jacinta xxx*

Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of

MOLLIE FENNELLY

Late of 30 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
 Died 30th December 2001 R.I.P.

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in
 Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, on
Monday 30th December at 10am.

*Wonderful memories woven in gold,
 This is the picture we tenderly hold,
 Deep in our hearts, your memory is kept,
 To love, to cherish, to never forget.*

**Loved and remembered always by
 Mary, Eugene, Sean and Ronan.**

Rest in Peace Mollie

In Loving Memory of MOLLIE FENNELLY

Late of 30 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
 Anniversary occurs on 30/12/2024
 Also remembering **WILLIAM (Mick) and PATRICK**



*Time slips by, life goes on,
 But in our hearts you are always
 there.*

**Always remembered by
 Bee and family xxx**

Rest in Peace Mollie

CHRISTMAS
 BEGINS WITH

Christ



MONTHS MIND REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
AARON CRIPPS**



The Family of Aaron Cripps would like to express their heartfelt gratitude for the overwhelming support they received during the difficult time following the passing of their son Aaron. Your kind words, thoughtful gestures and presence helped bring the family comfort through their grief.

A special thank you to the emergency services, Matthew Keegan for their professionalism and going the extra mile for Aaron's brother Stephen, the priests of the Parish Centre, especially Monsignor Byrne for his kind words.

Also a special thank you to James O Connor for singing beautifully at Aarons Rosary, and finally the grave diggers for preparing Aarons final resting place.

*Aarons Month Mind will be celebrated at
Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish Church on
Tuesday 24th December at 10am*

*May Aaron's gentle soul,
Rest In Peace*

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
TOMMY, MOLLY, PAT, BREDA &
KATHLEEN KEOGH**
Ridge Road, Portlaoise.



Now you're in a better place,
Your souls are laid to rest.
Safe with all the angels,
for they only take the best.
And though you're in our
thoughts, each single day.
Throughout the year, at the
sad times like Christmas,
We wish ye could be here.
Always remembered by
your Loving family

*May They
Rest In Peace*

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
JOHN & HELEN BYRNE**

*Ridge Road, Portlaoise.
John's 3rd Christmas away from Home.
Helen's first Christmas from home*



*"Together again"
Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us everyday,
Unseen, unheard but always near,
Still loved, still missed and forever dear.*

*Loved and sadly missed by your loving family
John, Sharon, Ivan, Ian, Martin, daughters-in-law,
son-in-law and grandchildren.*

*May John and Helen
Rest In Peace*



**Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
CHRISTY CAHILL**

*St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise
1st Christmas away from home.*



*He left us quietly,
His thoughts unknown,
But left us a memory,
We are proud to own,
So treasure him Lord,
In your garden of rest,
For when on earth,
He was one of the best.*

*Sadly missed by Wife Lilly, sons,
daughters, grandchildren,
great-grandchildren, extended
family and friends.*

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of my dear Husband
RICHARD ANDERSON



The photographs I cherish, that surround me everyday, help to keep you close to me, although you are far away.

Now Christmas time is dawning, and although you're in my heart, it's just the hardest time of all, for us to be apart, But memories will bring me strength, and love will see me through,

My tears will all be fleeting and I'll smile again for you.

Loved and missed always, your loving wife Cecilia and family x

Rest in Peace Richard

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
TOMMY McCARTHY

6 Well Road, Portlaoise. 9th Christmas in Heaven.

A whisper on a November morn,
You heard a gentle call,

You took the hand of Jesus and quietly left us all,

Your memories are so precious,

Your presence missed so much,

You will always be remembered and missed by all of us.

From your many many friends.

Rest in Peace Tommy

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
CHRISTINE & JOHN CONROY

Hillview Drive, Knockmay.

Christine's 2nd Anniversary occurs
8th January 2025



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 11th January in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church at 6.30pm

We hold you close within our hearts and there you shall remain, to walk with us throughout our lives, until we meet again.

Loved and remembered by your sons John, Christy, Paul, daughters Mary and Siobhan, sons-in-law Martin and Niall, daughters-in-law Sinead, Nicola and Avril, grandchildren and great grandchildren

Always in our hearts Mam.

May Christine Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance

In Loving Memory of
LIZ AND PASCHAL FARRELL

5th and 48th Christmas away from home.

Missing you both always, especially at Christmas time.



With all the celebrations and Christmas drawing near,
What a lovely time we'd have, If you both were here,
We'd spend so many happy hours the way we did before,
Christmas is for loved ones, and we couldn't miss you both more. When we wake on Christmas day, we'll look to Heaven above, and we'll remember every smile and think of you both with love.

Lots of love always from Frank, Michael, David, Kenneth, Regina and family.

Granny

I don't need an angel on top of my tree, I already have one in Heaven looking down on me.

Missing you always, Jennifer, Stephen, Ava, Saoirse, Leon and Jaxon xxx

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
JOSEPH BUGGIE

3 Kylebeg, Stradbally.

8th Christmas away from home.



Always in our thoughts,
Forever in our hearts.

Always remembered by your loving wife Patricia, daughters, Celina, Margaret and Samantha and grandkids Haleema, Alannah, Kayla and J.J.

Rest in Peace Joseph

In Loving Memory of My Mother
CATHERINE KEOGH

Borris Rd. Portlaoise.

46th Anniversary occurred 14th December 2024



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

Also remembering;

Her father Garrett and grandson Kevin at this time.

Always loved and remembered by Margaret, Oliver and grandchildren.

May Catherine Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of a much loved Aunt
TERESA SHIELS
28 Beladd, Portlaoise
1st Christmas away from home.



*Thinking of you this Christmas and how things
just aren't the same.
There's this dull and nagging heartache, when
someone speaks your name.
Sadly we can't buy gifts for you,
Just silent tears that fall.
For this 1st Christmas without you Teresa,
Is the hardest time of all.
Loved and missed so much by Chris, Anthony,
Ian and Caoimhe.*

Rest In Peace Teresa

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of our Parents
JANE AND PADDY SHIELS
And our Sister **BRIGID (Sissy) MILLS**
Late of Dr. Murphy's Place, Portlaoise.



*Remembering the happiness and the feeling of
good cheer, when we celebrated Christmas, in
the days that you were here.
For at special times like this one, almost
everything we do, seems to bring back precious
memories of those moments spent with you.
But your smiles lives on forever and your voices
we often hear. And on Christmas day this year,
we will shed a silent tear. And we'll think of all
those good times, and the special bond we had.
Also remembering Mam on her anniversary
on the 5th January 2025
Loved and forever remembered by your sons
and daughter, son-in-law, grandchildren
and great-grandchildren*

May They Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of a Cherished Sister
TERESA SHIELS
28 Beladd, Portlaoise
1st Christmas away from home.



*I close my eyes and see your face,
smiling from a beautiful place.
You say that you're not far away and that we'll
meet again someday.
I ask if you'll stay a while,
I miss your laugh, I miss your smile.
Then you whisper in my ear,
"I never left, I was always here".
Our precious bond was priceless Teresa,
You were my sister and my friend.
A friendship that meant the world to me,
I'll cherish till the end.
I hold the memories that we made of times
spent together,
I'll keep them deep within my heart,
For Christmas and forever.
Loved and missed dearly by your loving sister
Nancy and brother-in-law Sean.*

*Missing you always, especially this Christmas,
our 1st Christmas without you.
Teresa, we shared some laughs, we shared some
tears, but best of all we shared great years.
No more tomorrows for us to share, but
yesterdays memories will always be there.
Sadly missed by your brothers Billy and Pat.*

Rest In Peace Teresa

In Loving Memory of
DARREN (HAGI) BREEN

Hillview Drive, Portlaoise
1st Christmas away from home.



*Our home is so quiet,
And empty without your voice,
And your love and laughter,
It echoes your loss.
Happy Christmas Babe.
From your heartbroken wife Olivia,
your kids and grandkids*

May He Rest In Peace

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
JOSEPH DOWNEY

7 Harpurs Lane, who died 18th August 2005.



*As each day dawns, we think of you,
As each night falls, we pray for you,
And throughout our lives,
No matter where.*

Always remembered by his family and grandchildren.

May Joseph Rest in Peace

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
ANNIE DOWNEY

7 Harpurs Lane, Portlaoise. 9th Christmas away from Home.



*When we wake up on Christmas Day,
We'll look to Heaven above,
And we'll remember every smile,
And think of you with love.*

*Always remembered by all your
loving family.*

May Annie Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of
ELLEN COSTIGAN (née Doyle)

Clonad, Portlaoise / Ballymoheen, Roscrea
1st Anniversary occurs 22nd December 2024

Anniversary Mass for Ellen will be celebrated on Saturday
28th December at 7pm in St. Fintan's Church, Raheen.



*Ní imithe uainn,
ach imithe romhainn.*

*Much loved and sadly missed every
day by her family and friends.*

Rest In Peace Ellen

Christmas Remembrance
Of Our Dear Parents and Grandparents
Our Dear Mammy

PATRICIA O' BRIEN née Rice
5th Christmas away from home.

And Our Dear Daddy

CHRISTY O' BRIEN
4th Christmas away from Home.
67th Birthday occurs 28th December 2024.



*Missed and loved beyond words by your girls
Yvonne and Sandra, also John and your grandchildren
Gordon, Evan, Teagan and Grace.*

Rest in Peace Mam and Dad

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of
CATHERINE QUIGLEY née Whelan

Rockdale, Portlaoise. 3rd Christmas away from Home.



*Think of Catherine as living in the
hearts of those she touched,
For nothing loved is ever lost,
And she was loved so much.*

*Sadly missed by Kevin, Selene,
Siobhan, Ronan & Noreen.*

Rest in Peace Catherine

Christmas Remembrance
CHRISTOPHER LaCUMBER

The Cottage, Stradbally Road, Portlaoise.



*Many the thoughts I give to you,
As the long hours go by,
Thinking of the things we used to
do and say, just you and I.
Sometimes they make me smile,
Sometimes they make me cry,
But are precious to me alone,
Memories of You and I.*

*Sadly missed, loved and remembered by his
loving wife Bridie, family, grandchildren and
brother Jim.*

May Christopher Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of
DARREN (HAGI) BREEN

First Christmas away from home, Daddy.

*I love & miss you every single day.
Love always, Joshua.*

Rest In Peace, 21/09/2024



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
OF

**EUGENE (Hughie)
McLOUGHLIN**

63 Lakeglen, Portlaoise.
23/8/1949-31/10/2022



*Those we love can never
be more than a thought
away...
For as long as there's a
memory, they live in our
hearts to stay.*

*Love Imelda, Danny & Family xxx
Rest in Peace Eugene*

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

**EUGENE (Hughie)
McLOUGHLIN**

63 Lakeglen, Portlaoise.
23/8/1949-31/10/2022



*At Christmas time our
hearts feel the ache,
For all the laughter and
memories we'd make.
The twinkling lights and
the songs that we sang,
Remind us of joy and the
love that we shared.
Though you're not here
your spirit shines bright.*

*In the warmth of the
season, and the soft glowing light.
We hold you close in each moment we share,
Missing you dearly, knowing you're always
there.*

*Love from you wife Patsy, Son Eugene,
Daughter Trisha, Yvonne, and Family. XXX*

Rest in Peace Eugene

Christmas Remembrance

*In Loving Memory of
Margaret (Peggy) CONROY
Glenlahan, Stradbally Rd.*



*1st Christmas from home this year.
Our thoughts are ever with you,
Though you have passed away,
And those who have loved you dearly,
Are thinking of you today.
Always remembered and loved by Joe, Dean,
Lorraine, Mary, Christian, Eva, Gavin and all
family and friends.*

Rest in Peace Peggy

Christmas Remembrance

*In Loving Memory of
JOE & ELLEN (Nellie) CONROY
47 Main Street, Portlaoise.*



*Tenderly we treasure the past,
Memories that will always last,
When we cease to think of you,
Will be when God has called us too.*

*Always remembered by their
family and friends.*

Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*In Loving Memory of
MARGARET RYAN (née Scully)*

*Grattan Street, Portlaoise. Died 18th November 2004.
21st Christmas away from Home.*



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

*Always remembered and greatly
missed by her family and friends.
Love always, Joe, Peggy, Dean, Lorraine
and Mary*

Rest in Peace Auntie Margaret

*In Loving Memory of My Mother
CATHERINE KEOGH*

*Borris Rd. Portlaoise.
46th Anniversary occurred 14th December 2024*



*A silent thought, A tear drop falls,
For a special Mam,
In God's arms she rests above,
In our hearts she rests with love.
Always loved and always remembered.*

*Also remembering;
Her grandson Kevin at this time who's
anniversary occurs at this time .
Always loved and remembered by
Margaret, Oliver and grandchildren.*

May Catherine Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS
BEGINS WITH

Christ



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*In Loving Memory of
My Wonderful Husband at Christmas
BRIAN LARKIN
7th Christmas in Heaven*



This time of year was always such a special time for me, I loved to share its warmth with you beside the Christmas tree.

But without my lovely husband I feel lost and all alone, And everything seems pointless, now that I'm on my own.

But each time I see your picture, you seem to smile and say,
Don't cry for me, I promise, that we'll meet again someday.

So until that perfect moment, we'll be just a thought apart,
And at Christmas time, as always, you'll be here inside my heart.

Sadly missed by your loving wife, Fiona x

*Loving Memories of a Special Dad
at Christmas.
7th Christmas in Heaven*

Remembering the happiness and the feeling of good cheer, when we celebrated Christmas, in the days that you were here.

For at special times like this one, almost everything we do, seems to bring back precious memories, of those moments spent with you.

But your smile lives on forever and your voice we often hear,
And on Christmas day this year, we will shed a silent tear.

And we'll think of all those good times, and the special bond we had,
For we never will forget you, our devoted, dearest Daddy.

Happy Christmas, Daddy in Heaven
*Loved and missed always by Ethan, Damon,
Oisin and grandson Odhrain.*

Rest in Peace Brian

**Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
DES CARROLL**

Beladd, Portlaoise.

2nd Christmas away from Home

Missing you always and especially at Christmas, our second one without you.



Fondly remembered always by your loving wife Margaret, daughters Gwen, Yvonne, Deirdre & Tracey, sons-in-law, grandchildren, brothers, family & friends.

Rest in Peace Des

**CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
THE BUGGY FAMILY**

George



**33rd
Anniversary**

Pat



**13th
Anniversary**

Mary



**26th
Anniversary**

George



**12th
Anniversary**

*Along the road to yesterday,
That leads us straight to you,
Are memories of the happy days,
Together we once knew,
And always every evening,
We seem to have a way,
Of wandering back to meet you,
On the road to yesterday.*

*Always in my thoughts,
love Phyllis x*

May They Rest in Peace

God gave His greatest gift to us
on that first Christmas Day
and may the wonder of it
always guide and light your way...

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*In Loving Memory of
PETER FRAWLEY*

Lynden Court, Portlaoise.

Son, Brother, Uncle.

2nd Christmas away from home.



Christmas without You

In the hearts of those who loved you,

You will always be there.

Your presence we miss,

Your memory we treasure,

Loving you always,

Forgetting you never.

Also remembering this Christmas

Thomas Frawley

Husband, Dad, Granddad

Whose Birthday occurred 20th December.

Loved and remembered always

*Mam, Nancy (Ann) sister Sylvia, brother John,
brother in law Pat, sister in law Tanya, nephew and
niece Craig and Rebecca, Áine and Jay*

Extended family and friends

May Peter Rest in Peace

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*In Loving Memory of
KATHLEEN (Kate) CURTIS*

Naas, Kildare.

1st Christmas away from home



*If tear drops could build a stairway,
And memory a lane,
We'd walk the long road to reach you,
And bring you home again.*

*Sadly missed by loving husband
John, her daughters Chris,
Caroline & Geraldine,
grandchildren
& great-grandchildren*

Rest in Peace Kate

Christmas Remembrance

*In Loving Memory of
THE O' SHEA FAMILY*

34 St. John's Square, Portlaoise

*Remembering Mam, Dad, Nanthan, Jimmy,
Susan, Billy and Michael, Anne.*



*It's Christmas time and ever since the day that ye were taken,
The lonely memories you've left have never been forsaken*

*They'll always stay as vivid, just as though ye still were here
And especially are cherished at this special time of year*

*There's never a day goes by without joyful thoughts of ye
For no one could bring happiness in the way ye used to.*

Happy Christmas

From John, Joe and all the family.

May They Rest in Peace



Christmas Remembrance

*In Loving Memory of
MARY FARRELL*

20 Mountain View Square, Portlaoise.

2nd Christmas away from Home

Those we love never go away,

They walk beside us everyday,

Unseen, unheard, but always near,

Still loved, still missed and very dear.

*Sadly missed, loved and remembered by her
loving husband Patrick, daughters Martina,
Mary, Sheila, grandchildren and extended family.*

Rest in Peace Mary



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

*In Loving Memory of
WESLEY O' BRIEN*

47 Heather Lane, Esker Hills, Ridge Rd., Portlaoise.

5th Anniversary away from Home.



*We are sad within our memory,
Lonely are our hearts today,
For the one we loved so dearly,
Has forever been called away.*

*We think of him in silence,
No eye can see us weep,
But many silent tears are shed,
When others are asleep.*

*Sadly missed by Mam, Dad, brother Lorcan,
son John and extended family and friends.*

Rest in Peace Wesley

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF
FIRST CHRISTMAS AWAY
FROM HOME**

**In Loving Memory of
SADIE COUGHLAN née Nallan**
Colliers Lane, Kilminchy, Portlaoise



The family of the late Sadie Coughlan, her brothers and sisters and extended family would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our gratitude to those who shared in our loss.

We sincerely thank Monsignor John Byrne for celebrating Sadie's Requiem Mass which was viewed via webcam by family and friends at home and abroad, especially Sadie's sister Rita. We would like to thank all of our relatives and friends, a huge thank you to all of the carers and Palliative Care who assisted the family in keeping Sadie comfortable at home, Cedar Clinic, especially Dr. Lawlor and Dr. Burke and McElwee Pharmacy for their care and kindness to Sadie, all those who called to the house, who sent letters, messages of sympathy, Mass Cards and left messages of condolences on RIP.ie

Thanks to Heather Fogarty for the wonderful music and singing.

We offer our heartfelt gratitude to all who attended Sadie's wake, her Requiem Mass and her burial. It was wonderful to hear so many stories from those whose lives Sadie touched and to know she was held in such high regard.

We would like to thank Matthew Keegan Funeral Directors and Undertakers for their courtesy and professionalism with the arrangement and conduct of Sadie's funeral.

Please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our heartfelt appreciation and deepest gratitude to you all. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for all of our intentions.

May Sadie Rest In Eternal Peace

**CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
CHRISTINE COUGHLAN**

Colliers Lane, Portlaoise
13th Christmas away from home.

Wonderful memories of one so dear,
Treasured still with a love sincere,
In our hearts she is living yet,
We loved her too dearly to forget.

*Sadly missed by all her
family & friends.*

May She Rest in Peace



**Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
PATRICIA (Pat) HOLOHAN**

2nd Christmas away from home.
Whose Anniversary occurred 15th December.

**In Loving Memory of
MICHAEL (Mick) O'Neil**
1st Christmas away from home whose Anniversary
occurs 23rd December.



*Loved and missed today and everyday.
Your Loving sister Elaine, Noel, Lorraine, John, Jack,
Kieran and Micheal's goddaughter Evelyn.*

*Also remembering Eoin Coss 2nd Christmas away from
home whose Anniversary occurred 10th December*

May They Rest In Peace

**In Loving Memory of
MARIA LOURDES GARCIA-GOMEZ**

Cherrygrove, Knockmay Portlaoise
& formerly from Salamanca Spain
1st Christmas away from home.

*Those we love don't go away
They walk beside us every day
Unseen, unheard, but
always near
Still loved, still missed
and very dear.*



*Maria is sadly missed by her loving family, her
sisters and brothers, nieces, nephews and
relatives in Spain and your forever friend Susan.*

Rest in Peace Maria

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
EDWARD & FRANCES COOKE
 Rathevan, Portlaoise.



*Deep in our hearts you will forever stay,
 Both loved, cherished and remembered everyday.*

Missing you both at Christmas time, your loving daughter Bridie, son-in-law Stephen, grandchildren Deirdre, Karen and Eamonn and great-grandchildren Ciara, Oisin, Abbie, Hayley and Lily.

Rest in Peace Edward and Frances

In Loving Memory of
MONICA MULDOWNEY

Togher, Portlaoise
 5th Anniversary occurred 15th December 2024



The Lord bless you and keep you,
 The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
 To shine upon you and be gracious unto you,
 The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you,
 And give you peace. Amen.

Loved and remembered always by Bernadette, Columba, Aidan, Gerard and their families and all the extended family.

Rest in Peace Monica

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of

PETER CARROLL

Lyncar, Ballytegan, Portlaoise.
 4th Christmas away from home.



*A light from our household is gone,
 A voice we loved is stilled, a place is vacant in our home that never can be filled.
 We think of you in silence,
 We talk about you too,
 We have loving memories, but we wish we still had you.*

*Nothing can replace you, nothing ever will,
 In life we loved you dearly, in death we love you still.*

Loved and remembered by your loving wife Clare, sons and daughters and all your extended family.

Rest in Peace Peter

Christmas Remembrance
In Loving Memory of
EDWARD & FRANCES COOKE

Fielbrook & formerly Rathevan, Portlaoise.



*Sweet are their memories, dear are their names,
 Close to our hearts they will always remain.*

Missing you both at this time, from your loving daughter Margaret, son-in-law Gerard, grandsons Edward and Gearóid, Katie and Rachel and great-granddaughters Madison, Ailbhe and Autumn.

May Edward and Frances Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of
ELISH DOOLEY

7 Dr. Murphy Place, Portlaoise.
 24th Anniversary occurs 1st January 2025.



*A special day, another year,
 A loving thought, a silent tear,
 A little prayer to keep in touch,
 With a Mother we love and miss so much.*

*Always loved and never forgotten
 by all her loving family.*

Rest in Peace Elish

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE
In Loving Memory of
MAURA MORRIN

*On her 1st Christmas away from home.
 If love could have saved you
 you would have lived forever.*



Loved & missed always from your loving Husband Seamus, Niall, Fergal, Róisín, Carina, James, Paddy & Annette and by her adoring grandchildren.

Rest in Peace Maura



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Her death was established as murder.

Any person who supplies such adequate information need not be involved in any prosecution or required to appear as a witness, and anonymity can be assured. The purpose of the information sought is to identify the person(s) responsible and secure a conviction.

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Why Jesus is Better than

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Santa lives at the North Pole...

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Santa rides in a sleigh...

JESUS rides on the wind and walks on the water.

Santa comes but once a year...

JESUS is an ever-present help.

Santa fills your stockings with goodies...

JESUS supplies all your Needs.

Santa comes down your chimney uninvited...

JESUS stands at your door and knocks, and then enters your Heart when invited.

You have to queue to see Santa...

JESUS is as close as the mention of His Name.

Santa lets you rest on his lap...

JESUS lets you rest in His Arms.

Santa doesn't know your name, all he can say is

"Hi little boy or girl, what's your name?"

JESUS knew our Name before we did. Not only does He know our name, He knows our address too.

He knows our history and future.

Santa has a belly like a bowl full of jelly...

JESUS has a heart full of love.

All Santa can offer is HO-HO-HO...

JESUS offers health, help and hope.

Santa says "You better not cry" ...

JESUS says "Cast all your Cares on me for I care for you"

Santa's little helpers make toys...

JESUS makes new life, mends wounded hearts, repairs broken homes and builds mansions.

Santa may make you chuckle but...

JESUS gives you Joy that is your Strength.

While Santa puts gifts under you tree...

JESUS becomes our Gift and died on a tree.

It's obvious there is really no comparison.



We need to remember WHO Christmas is all about. Put Christ back in CHRISTmas, JESUS is still the reason for the season!

What is the meaning of each letter in the word

Christmas?

- C** — is for the Christ Child
- H** — is for Herald Angel
- R** — is for Redeemer
- I** — is for Israel
- S** — is for the Star that shone so bright
- T** — is for the Three wise men
- M** — is for the Manger where he lay
- A** — is for All He stands for
- S** — is for the Shepherds that came.



The First Crib

The Christmas story has a powerful hold on the imagination. In the midwinter a child is born among us, a child that will save mankind. One of the most popular places in Italy is the town of Assisi because of its association with *Il poverello*, namely, St. Francis of Assisi. One Christmas in 1223, Francis went to Grecco in the Valley of Rieti. Francis asked that a shed be set up on the hillside, which depicted Mary and Joseph and the Child, surrounded by the shepherds and one or two animals. And he invited the people of Grecco to come and celebrate Christmas with him. They came together and walked with their lamps and stood in front of the first Crib. And St. Francis spoke to them and preached of the mystery of God's coming to us in Jesus. The people were set alight by the simplicity and the power of his words, because those people were poor and humble and, perhaps above all, wanted to experience and receive into their own hearts, the Word of God, Jesus, to bring hope and forgiveness and consolation to their lives. They were fascinated not only by the words of St. Francis but by entering into the spirit of the first Christmas and contemplating the crib. From such humble and simple beginnings, I wonder how many cribs are there today in the homes and Churches of the World?



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Portlaoise Parish



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13

16

22

29

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Martin Whelan
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O L & M
Gemma Lawlor
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M Kinsella

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8
Match
3s
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Lotto Christmas Arrangements

There will be no lotto draw on Thursday 26th January .

First Lotto Draw of 2025 will be on Thursday 2nd January

Wishing you all a happy & peace filled Christmas & New Year.



Lotto Jackpot on 2nd January €13,000

Support for the Parish

We have traditionally depended on the passing of collection baskets at Sunday Masses for support but have not reintroduced them since Covid. *Thank you* to the many who have found new ways to support the Parish. The generosity of so many means we **continue** to be well supported and our liturgies are not interrupted - Please find your way to contribute.

- * Making your offering in the boxes at the entrances
- * Using the Envelope boxes for regular donations - 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

THANK YOU



Clergy of the Parish



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Tel: 057 8600122



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Tel: 057 8621142

To contact the Priest on Duty:
Parish Centre during office hours
9am - 5pm Tel: 057 8621142
Outside office hours
in emergency only Tel: 0852134285

Safeguarding

All safeguarding statements and policies can viewed on our website and our Church Porches.

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person
Ailish Higgins safeguarding@kandle.ie

Parish Centre



Office Hours Monday to Friday 9am-5pm

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Sacristans Parish Church

Sr. Sybil and Sr. Julie

(Sacristy phone attended prior to Mass times 057 8600119)

All Masses and services from the Parish Church and the Heath Church are live streamed on our website



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