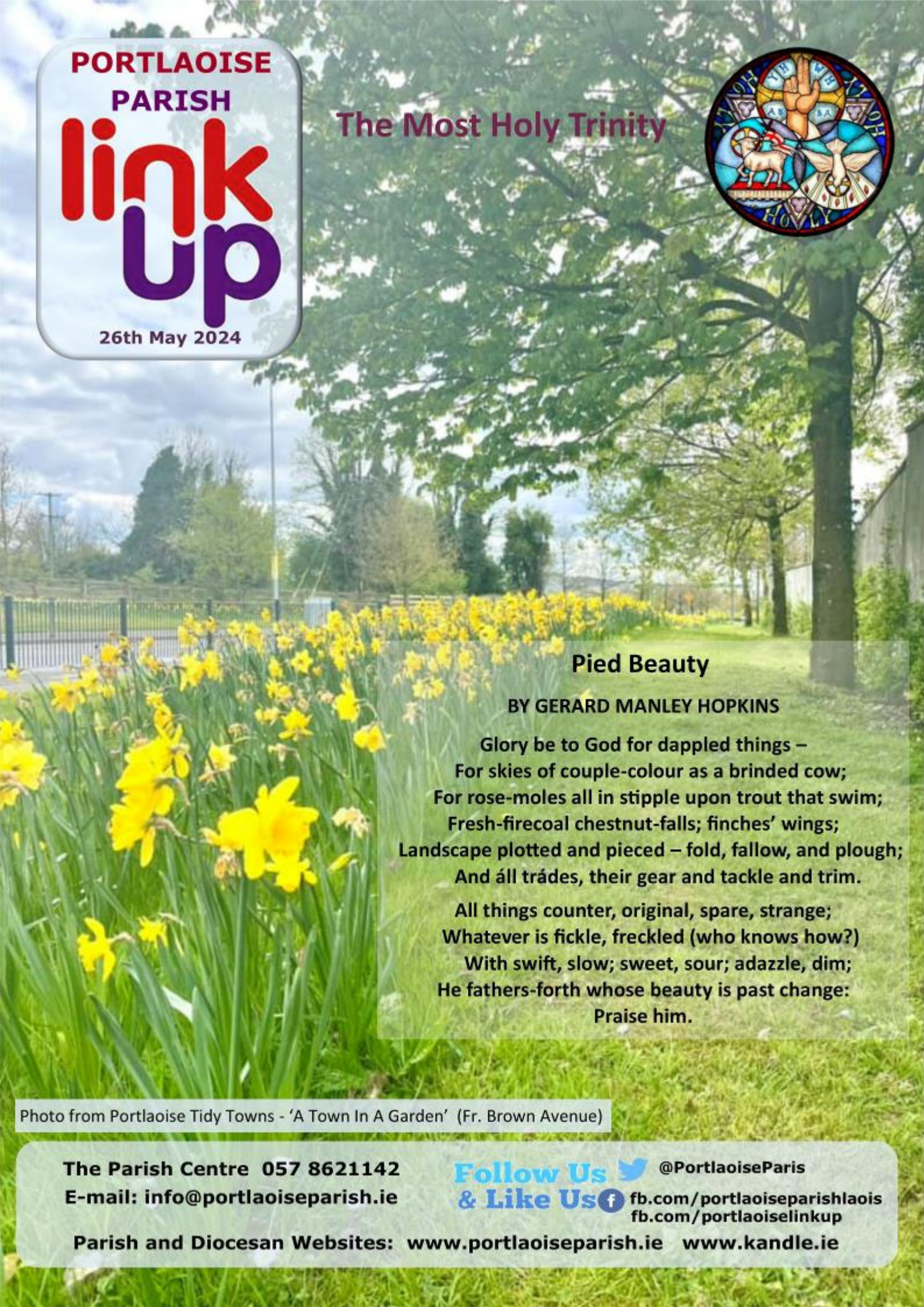


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The Most Holy Trinity



Pied Beauty

BY GERARD MANLEY HOPKINS

Glory be to God for dappled things –
For skies of couple-colour as a brinded cow;
For rose-moles all in stipple upon trout that swim;
Fresh-firecoal chestnut-falls; finches' wings;
Landscape plotted and pieced – fold, fallow, and plough;
And áll trádes, their gear and tackle and trim.

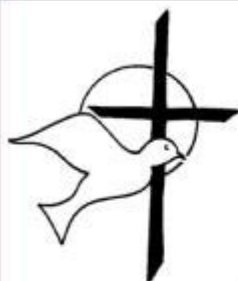
All things counter, original, spare, strange;
Whatever is fickle, freckled (who knows how?)
With swift, slow; sweet, sour; adazzle, dim;
He fathers-forth whose beauty is past change:
Praise him.

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If we have heard a wonderful concert, read a great book or laughed at a new comedy, we are keen to share the experience. We want to talk about that comedy in work the next day or lend the book to a friend so that they can enjoy it too. We are not so keen to share what our

faith means to us. We don't want to be accused of 'bible bashing' or to be considered odd. Past experience has taught us that we can easily bore our friends with religious rhetoric. Many a heated row has ensued between family and friends of different faiths. As a result, we have learned to keep our mouths shut; yet in today's gospel we are told to "go and make disciples of all in the name of the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit."

The message is clear. We are told that the God who will be with us until the end of the age wants us to teach all that Jesus has commanded. We have been asked to do this in the name of the Father who made us, the Son who taught us, and the Holy Spirit that enables us. We have not been asked to keep our mouths shut!

We don't have to be boring or start a family feud to pass on what we know. There are many absorbing subjects in the bible that we can discuss at different levels. Many would advocate setting a good example as the best method of teaching. Whatever ways we choose, the message today is 'don't keep it to yourself.'

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

31st May

After the Angel Gabriel had announced to Mary that she was to become the mother of Our Lord, Mary went from Galilee to Judea to visit her kinswoman Elizabeth, soon to be the mother of John the Baptist. Elizabeth greeted Mary with the words, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." Mary burst forth with the song of praise, which we call the Magnificat, beginning, "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord." We are told that even John the Baptist, still unborn, leaped for joy in his mother's womb. We are shown, side by side, the two women, one seemingly too old to have a child, but destined to bear the last prophet of the Old Covenant, of the age that was passing away; and the other woman, seemingly not ready to have a child, but destined to bear the one who was himself the beginning of the New Covenant, the age that would not pass away.



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

Monday - Friday: 7.30am & 10am

Saturday: 10am

Sunday

Vigil 6.30pm (Saturday)

8.30am, 10am, 11.15am & 12.30pm

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, THE HEATH

Sunday: 9.30am

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, RATHENISKA

Sunday: 10am

CONFESSIONS

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

St. Peter & Paul's Cemetery Mass Sunday 2nd June at 1pm

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Ratheniska Cemetery Mass Friday 7th June at 7pm.



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Wednesday 29th; Sports Day

Thursday 30th; Cards in Sue Ryder Centre, Kilminchy at 3pm, tuition given, new members always welcome.

For further information please contact P.R.O Sheila at 087-6204617. Portlaoise Active Retirement in celebration of their 20th anniversary are planning a fabulous 5* trip to Capella, Barcelona, Spain, include 5* half board hotel. Travel Courier will accompany us on our trip. Pick-up Portlaoise, assistance with check-in and boarding, 20kg luggage. Daily tours, luxury coach, 1 week 22nd September, €1,095 sharing. For further details contact Trudy 086-3136182.

Results of Whist Drive held in the Parish Centre on Tuesday, May 21st

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1st Half: Bridie Kennedy | **2nd Half:** Mary Kileen

Raffle: 1st Liam McCartney, 2nd Rita Arrigan, 3rd Angela Brennan, 4th Leslie Hunter, 5th Peter Stevenson, 6th Kit Farrell.

Whist continues every Tuesday evening in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm.

Whist Abbeyleix; Every Sunday night at 8pm in Abbeyleix Community Hospital. All are welcome.

Graiguecullen Bingo Tuesday 28th May in St. Fiacc's Hall at 8.30pm;

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RELIGIOUS NOTES

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

Rosary in the Church of the Assumption, the Heath; Daily 2pm (Monday-Saturday) and Sunday 3pm (Adoration).

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

Padre Pio's Glove; St. Pio's Glove will be in Fitzpatrick's House, Kilberry, Athy, Co. Kildare on Saturday 1st June from 11am to 5pm. Items of St. Pio will be available on the day. For info. call Ann 085-1696189.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help concludes Monday 3rd June at 7.30pm in St Clare's Church,

Graiguecullen, Carlow; We invite people to place their petitions in the petition boxes in St Clare's Church. During our Novena, through the prayers of our Faith Community and the intercession of Our Lady we will ask Jesus to relieve whatever burdens we carry. Rosary recited at 7.10pm and Novena begins at 7.30pm. Guest Speaker; Elma Walsh, founder of the 'Live Life Foundation' in memory of her son Donal who died aged 16 years.





The Power and Light

Do you know what day today is? Today is a very special day. This is Pentecost Sunday. It's the time when we remember that before Jesus returned to heaven, he promised that his Father would send a helper — the Holy Spirit — to live inside of those who follow him. He promised that the Holy Spirit would give them the power to do great and mighty things.



It happened just as Jesus said it would. On the day which is called Pentecost, the disciples were all together in one place. The Gospel tells us that there was a sound from heaven like a mighty rushing wind and it filled the place where the disciples were gathered. Then, there were flames of fire that appeared and rested upon each of them. When these things happened, the disciples were filled with power and began to preach and teach about Jesus. They were able to do things that they had never done before because of the power of the Holy Spirit in them.

If you imagine having a torch at home and using it, this will help us understand just how important the Holy Spirit is. A torch is not very large, but it sure puts out a bright light, doesn't it? If the electricity goes off and it is dark, a torch help me find my way around the house. They provide an emergency lighting system.

What do you think gives a torch the power to light up a room? Of course, the torch has a battery inside that gives it power. Without that power inside, the torch just doesn't work. That reminds me of the way the Holy Spirit works in our life. In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said, "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Our Scripture today tells us that on the day of Pentecost people were filled with the Holy Spirit so that they could do mighty things as the Spirit gave them the ability. It is the same power of the Holy Spirit that enables you and me to let our light shine in the world. Just as a torch must have batteries to give it power, the Holy Spirit is our source of power to live for Jesus.



Dear Father, we thank you for sending your Holy Spirit to comfort, guide us, and live within us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





Time to Think!

Summer....A time to enjoy

Time seems to be flying by. The academic year has almost come to conclusion in secondary schools and for third level students, a long summer commences. Continued thoughts and prayers for students studying for their state exams. School communities actively engage in the fundamental process of education. This is a wonderful journey that never really concludes or that we never fully graduate in. Life teaches us that our lived experience is indeed where we grow in wisdom and understanding. I pray that the summer of 2024, will be a bright and healthy one for us all.

Next weekend is the June Bank Holiday 2024, June is a wonderful time of year. Long bright days that awaken within us all a sense of peace and calm. Traditionally during summer time those who are fortunate enough can enjoy a restful holiday. Time out, is a very important gift that we must embrace in our adult lives. We are not robots and often the constant demands of life can cause stress and physical consequences. To gift oneself a good rest is a very important blessing. There are many different ways to find recreation. Summer is it time to renew and give rest to our bodies and mind. Sometimes it's good to hit the pause button.

The following reflection might inject calm and inspiration in our lives....

The young woman walked confidently around the room holding a glass of water while leading a seminar on stress management. Everyone guessed she was going to ask the ultimate question, 'Half empty or half full?' She fooled them all. "How heavy is this glass of water?" she inquired with a smile. Answers called out ranged from 8 oz. to 20 oz. She replied, "The absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long I hold it. If I hold it for a minute, that's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my right arm. If I hold it for a day, you'll have to call an ambulance. In each case it's the same weight, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes." She continued, "And that's the way it is with stress. If we carry our burdens all the time, sooner or later, as the burden becomes increasingly heavy, we won't be able to carry on." "As with the glass of water, you have to put it down for a while and rest before holding it again. When we're refreshed, we can carry on with the burden - holding stress longer and better each time practiced. So, as early in the evening as you can, put all your burdens down. Don't carry them through the evening and into the night. Pick them up again tomorrow if you must.

And remember;

1. Accept the fact that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue!
2. Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.
3. Always read stuff that will make you look good if you die in the middle of it.
4. Drive carefully... It's not only cars that can be recalled by their Maker.



5. If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.
6. If you lend someone €20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.
7. It may be that your sole purpose in life is simply to serve as a warning to others.
8. Never buy a car you can't push.
9. Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.
10. Nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance.
11. Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird - sleep late.
12. The second mouse gets the cheese.
13. When everything's coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
14. Birthdays are good for you. The more you have, the longer you live.
15. Some mistakes are too much fun to make only once.
16. We could learn a lot from crayons, some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names and all are different colours, but they all have to live in the same box.
17. A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.
18. Save the earth.....It's the only planet with chocolate!

I love this Summer Prayer;

"Come Summer With Me"

Come summer with me, Lord; summer deep down in my soul; restore my faith in summer's time, in rest, in joy, in play, in you. Summer in my heart, Lord, and dwell there as if time would never end, as if all time were children's time, eternal time when school is always out and joy is ever in. And let others summer in my shade, Lord, and share whatever summer's peace is mine to give, whatever summer's light is mine to shed, whatever summer's warmth is mine to share. Good God of every season and every day this week, come summer with me, Lord, and let the child in my heart spend this summer in your love. Amen.

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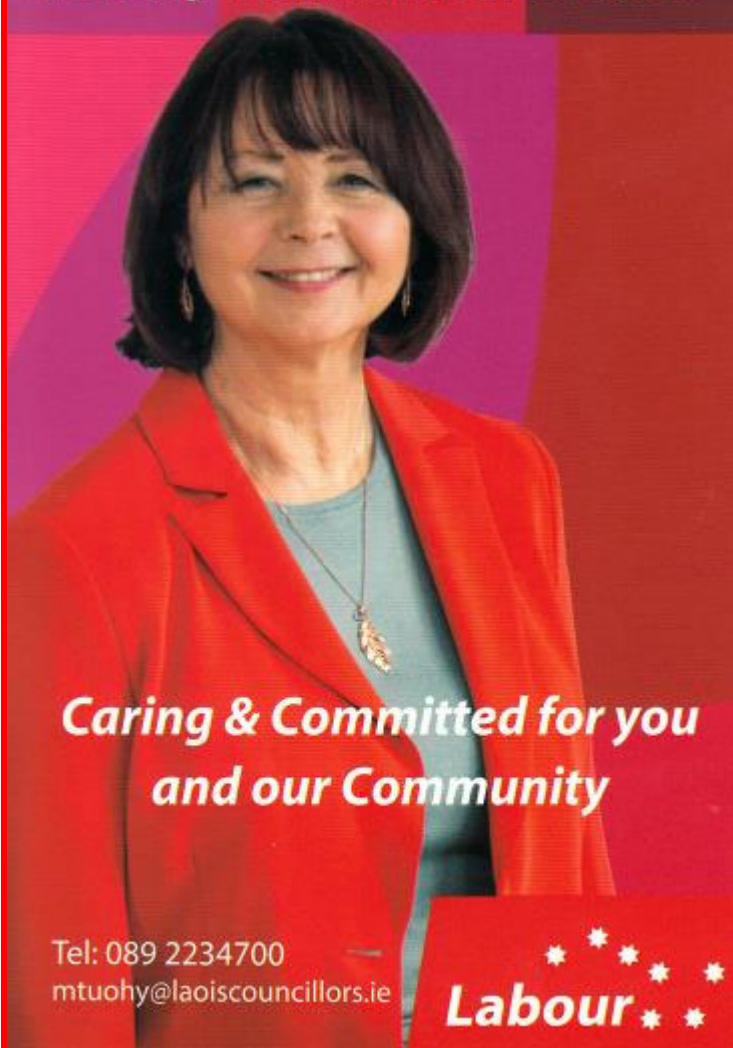




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née Dempsey**

"Villa Rosa" Mosse Lane,
Dublin Road, Portlaoise
and Portarlinton



Robert Orr

Baumor, Ballinakill

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

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE
Our sympathy to their families.

A message of sympathy may be left for the family by logging on to
the death notice at www.portlaoiseparish.ie/deathnotices

In Loving Memory of
Our Wonderful Dad
PATSY DEEVY

24 Lakeglen, Portlaoise.

6th Anniversary occurs 26th May 2024.



*What we'd give if we could say,
"Hello Dad" in the same old way,
To hear his voice and see his smile,
To sit with him and chat for a while.
A true friend we could turn to,
When times were good and bad,
One of our greatest blessings,
The man that we called Dad.*

*Sadly missed by his sons Pat and Brendan,
Daughter Hannah, daughters-in-law Sylvia & Maura,
son-in-law Paddy, grandchildren Craig, Rebecca & Paddy.*

Also remembering his dearly departed wife Kathleen
at this time.

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter &
Paul's Parish Church, on Sunday 26th May at 12.30pm

May Patsy Rest in Peace

Also remembering at this time Patsy's brother

JAMES (Jimmy) DEEVY

17 O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.

26th Anniversary occurs 31st May 2024

May James Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of
WILLIAM DELANEY

Roskelton, Mountrath,

1st Anniversary occurs 27th May 2024



Anniversary Mass will be
celebrated in St. Fintan's
Church Raheen, this Saturday
25th May at 7pm.

*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.*

Deeply regretted by his loving children;
Fintan, Martin and Brídíe, daughters-in-law Carmel
and Miriam and son-in-law Brendan, grandchildren
Eanna, Orlaith, Shauna, Brian, Liam, Aine & Eoghan,
relatives, neighbours and friends.

Rest in Peace William

**In Loving Memory of
DR. PAULINE MORRIS WALSH**

Blackrock and formally of Colliers Lane, Portlaoise.
9th Anniversary occurs 25th May 2024



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church this **Sunday 26th May at 12.30pm.**

Sadly missed by her loving mother and family.

Rest in Peace Pauline

**In Loving Memory of
LOUIS G. CULLITON**

Glendowns, Portlaoise.

5th Anniversary occurs 3rd June 2024



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on **Saturday 1st June at 6:30pm.**

Sadly missed by his loving wife, sons, daughter, sisters, and extended families.

Ar Theis Dé go raith a Anam Dilis

**In Loving Memory of
JOHN FITZPATRICK**

Ballinlough, Ballyroan
5th Anniversary - Died 30th May 2019



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

*Sadly missed by his wife Alice, daughter Una
And son-in-law Mark.*

Rest in Peace John

**In Loving Memory of
PATRICK (Paddy) CARROLL**

25 Dr. Murphy's Place, Portlaoise
42nd Anniversary occurred 28th May 2024.
Also 100th Birthday Remembrance; 9th July 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 face,
A special Dad we cannot replace,
With an aching heart we whisper low,
We miss you Dad, and love you so.

*Love Micky, Tommy, Ann, P.J., Eileen and John, sons-in-law,
daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.*

May Patrick Rest in Peace

**In Loving Memory of
Our Dear Mother
ROSANNA GING**

O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.
13th Anniversary occurs 26th May 2024.



Also remembering our
Father Patrick and Brothers
John and Michael at this time.

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

Always loved and remembered
by their loving families.

May They Rest in Peace

Birthday Remembrance

**In Loving Memory of
MARY FARRELL**

20 Mountain View Square, Portlaoise.
1st Birthday 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,
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Rest in Peace Mary



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Father and Grandfather
Sheffield, Portlaoise, Co. Laois
1st Anniversary occurs 1st June 2024



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, this Sunday
26th May at 11.15am.

We treasure every moment we spent in life with you. And loving you a little more for everything you have done for us all.

We are thinking of the thoughtful things that you have said and done for us all.

There comes a time for us all when we must say goodbye, however our memories of you DAD/GRANDAD will live on and never die.

Sadly missed, loved and remembered by your children: Pauline, Carmel, Fran, Breda and families.

Rest in Peace Dad

In Loving Memory of
Our Dear Brother
OLIVER DORAN

Camplone, Ballyfin, Portlaoise. Died 20th May 2017.
7th Anniversary occurred 20th May 2024.



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, this **Sunday 26th May at 10am.**

*God 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,
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating, your tender hands at rest,
God took you home to prove to us, He only takes the best.*

*Loved and remembered always by your sister,
brothers, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews.*

Rest in Peace Oliver

In Loving Memory of
WESLEY O' BRIEN

47 Heather Lane, Esker Hills, Ridge Rd., Portlaoise.
4th Anniversary away from home; 27th May 2024



*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*

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

Rest in Peace Wesley

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In Loving Memory of

CLAIRE TUOHY née Kelly

Beladd, Portlaoise and Portarlington.



Claire's husband Jim, sister Hillary and their families, would like to thank most sincerely those who sympathised with them on the sad loss of Claire.

Thank you to those who attended the funeral home, Requiem Mass and the burial, sent Mass cards and posted messages of condolences online.

Our thanks to Msgr. Byrne for celebrating Claire's Requiem Mass, the Priests of

the Parish for their support at such a difficult time, Julie Conroy and Louise Kavanagh for the beautiful music, the sister Sacristans and all who participated in the Mass.

A special word of thanks to Professor Ray McDermott in St. Vincent's Private Hospital, Dr. Marese Murphy from Clann Medical Centre and to the nurses from the Palliative Care team who attended to and treated Claire with such care and dignity during her illness and for the kindness and support shown by them to our family.

Heartfelt thanks also to Claire's carers who looked after her so well in her home.

Many thanks to Matthew Keegan and David Goode from Keegan Funeral Directors for the professional and compassionate manner in which they carried out Claire's funeral arrangements and to the gravediggers for preparing Claire's final resting place with such care.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our sincere appreciation and deepest gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions. Claire's Months Mind Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, Portlaoise this Saturday 25th May at 6.30pm.

Claire is sadly missed, loved and will forever be remembered by her husband Jim and all her loving family.

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into the next room.
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Whatever we were
to each other,
that we still are.

Call me by my old
familiar name, speak to me
in the easy way
which you always used.
Put no difference
in your tone,
wear no forced air of
solemnity or sorrow.

Laugh as we always laughed
at the little jokes
we enjoyed together.
Let my name be ever the
household word
that it always was.

Let it be spoken
without effort,
without the trace of
a shadow in it.
Life means all that
it ever meant,
it is the same as it ever was.

There is unbroken continuity,
why should I be out of mind
because I am out of sight?
I am waiting for you,
somewhere
very near,
just around
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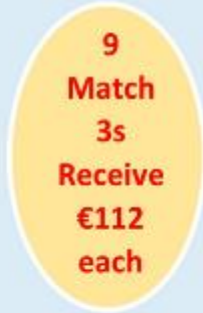


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