

Parish Team

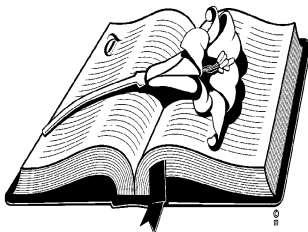
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**Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - 19th & 20th March + St. Patrick's Day.**

**Ministers of the Word:**

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Yvonne Balfe  
11am (Sun) Elaine Byrne  
Grangecon 9.30am:(Sun) Anita O'Hara



**St. Patrick's Day Vigil Mass:**

Baltinglass: 6pm (Wed) Myra Kearney.  
St. Patrick's Day (Thurs) As per daily 10am Mass Rota.

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Matt O'Brien/May Kennedy/ Pat Fleming.  
11am: (Sun.) Tony Duffy/Kate Deans  
Grangecon: 9.30am(Sun) Mick Kehoe



**St. Patrick's Day Vigil Mass 6pm. (Wed)**

Baltinglass@ 6pm (Wed.) 16th. Phil O'Connor/Michael Lennon/ Mary Leigh.  
St. Patrick's Day: Thurs. 11am: As per daily Mass Rota.

**This Weekend:**

**Baltinglass: 6pm**

**The months minds Mass of**  
Ann Kehoe, Newtownsaunders

**Anniversaries:**

Margaret & Henry Dunne, Shroughaun  
Ned Gahan, Carrigeen  
James Gahan, Carrigeen  
Kitty Foley, Parkmore  
Ann McGrath, Carrigeen  
Edward Swayne, Hughestown  
Christina Loughlin, Ballinacrow  
Patrick (Ronnie) Byrne, Sydney, Australia  
Patrick Doyle, Graney  
Pat, Peter & Mary O'Brien, Irongrange  
Noel Sleator, Barronstown.  
Denis Murray, Broadstown  
**Grangecon: 9.30am (Sun)**  
Maura Coleman, Knoxters Hill  
Phil Coleman, Knoxters Hill  
Margaret Cronin, Springfield House  
Mary Harney, Colbinstown  
**Anniversaries—St. Patrick's Day.**  
**Baltinglass.**  
Mary Josephine & Edward Hanlon,  
Tuckmill.  
Patrick Lennon, Parkmore



**Weekend Mass Times.**

**Baltinglass: Saturday 6pm & Sunday 11am.**

**Stratford & Grange Con**  
**Every Second Sunday @ 9.30am.**  
**Next Weekend Mass in Stratford.**

**Weekday Mass Times**  
**Daily 10am in St. Paul's Oratory, the**  
**Parish Centre, Baltinglass. .**

**CEMETERY MASSES 2011:**

**Rathbran Cemetery Mass**  
takes Place on Sunday 3rd July @ 7pm.  
**Knockpatrick Cemetery Mass**  
takes place on Sunday 10th July @ 7pm.  
**Baltinglass Cemetery Mass**  
takes place in Baltinglass Cemetery  
on Sunday 31st July @ 7pm.  
**Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery.**  
Vigil Mass—Feast of the Assumption.  
14th August @ 6pm.



**Newsletter now available on [www.baltinglassparish.ie](http://www.baltinglassparish.ie)  
Diocesan web site: [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)**

**Open Meeting** — Local Parishes working together in Pastoral Areas & Sharing the Lord's Mission. Following on from the meeting held last Sept. you are very welcome to come to a meeting on Tues. 29th March in Baltinglass Parish Centre @ 8pm. At the meeting we will hear what people said across the diocese in Sept. We will also look ahead to some things that we could concretely begin or continue to do with other parishes in the area. Let's work together & support one another as we seek to live & proclaim the Good News! Please consider coming to this important meeting for the parish.

**Course in slí an Chroí, Kiltegan.**

**Title:** A Bigger Understanding of Ministry by Fr. Jim Cogley. On Saturday, 19th March from 10.30am to 4pm. (meal incl.)  
086 1225198.

**Pre-Marriage Weekend.**

On Saturday 9th & Sun 10th April at Slí an Croí, St. Patrick's Kiltegan. Text Seamus at 086.1225198.

**Lay your burdens on the Tree of Life.**

This year in Grange Con Church, we have a Lenten Garden & the Tree of Life. We would like to offer you the opportunity to join with us in writing your intentions/concerns/burdens on the cards provided & then place them on the tree. During Lent we will remember in our prayers your intentions.

**Day of Healing.**

In Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert on **Sat. 26th March 2011.** Bus departs the Square, Baltinglass @ **7.30a.m.** via Tullow & Carlow. Bring a packed lunch. **Phone 059/**

**Danny's Corner. Coffee Morning in Aid of Daffodil Day.**

The Lalor Centre are holding a Coffee Morning/Cake Sale/Raffle on Tues. 15th March @ 10.30am to 12noon. Proceeds go to the Irish Cancer Society. Please support us by baking something, donating a prize for the raffle, or just drop in for a cup of tea. Looking forward to seeing you.

**West Wicklow Gifted Children's Association.**

Art classes for Children every Saturday morning at 11am -12.30am at the Orchard in Tankardstown. Suitable for mixed ages 4-13 years, we will have ability groups, not age groups. Cost €10 for materials. FOCUS for the little ones on Spring themes, & the older ones Celtic Art & Design. Entrance is based on a real interest and appreciation of art. Bring your portfolio of a selection of your work so we can arrange appropriate placement in the class. Bring a bag to carry your work & snacks. Registration Mary Doyle-Powell 059-6482123 or email. [Nessto@Eircom.net](mailto:Nessto@Eircom.net) Classes are from March 19th to April 16th 2011.

**Baltinglass & District Active Retirement**

are hosting a talk & discussion **ON MEN'S HEALTH**, by Marie Keating Foundation, on Wednesday 16th March @ 3pm in Germaine's, Inis Fail. **FOR MEN ONLY.** Admission free.

**Kiltegan Set Dancers.**

Sets/Céili & Old time with Cúpla in Kiltegan Hall on Friday, 18th March from 9pm to 12pm. Adm. €10- includes refreshments. In aid of Senior Citizens Party.

**Baltinglass Town Boys' Soccer Club.**

Members, Parents & Friends are invited to the Lalor Centre on Monday, 14th March @ 8pm to meet Greg Hendricks from 3 Network & FAI promotion. Your support would be appreciated.

**Communications Group.**

The next meeting takes place in the Parish Centre on Tues. 15th March @ 8.30pm.

**First Holy Communion.**

A meeting of the parents who volunteered to help with the Programme will be held on Tuesday 15th March @ 8pm in the Parish Centre.

**Are you a parent/carer of an adolescent/teenager?**

A 5 night parenting course, which explores developmental stages for pre-teens & adolescents & covers areas such as communication, managing conflict, problem solving, peer relationships etc. The course takes place over 5 Tuesday nights, commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> March from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in St Peter's Parish Centre, Kiltegan. Cost €35. For information & booking contact Wicklow County Childcare Committee on 0404 64455/087 2465933.

### Baltinglass GAA Club

Last Weeks Winning

Numbers: 6, 7, 10, 12.



**Jackpot winner: No Winner.**

**This Week's Jackpot €8,150.**

**Match three winners:** €45 each.

Eamonn O'Keeffe, Elaine Flood, John Kelly, Bill Tyrell, Theresa O'Brien, Majella Wall & Mary Nolan.

Next draw in Germaine's Pub, Main Street on Monday 14th March 2011. Tickets €2.

### Stratford/Grangecon



### GAA Lotto Results.

Last Week's Numbers 02 - 10 - 24 - 25.

There was no Jackpot winner. Jackpot this week €3,500. 1 Match 3 Winner - John Bollard, Randalstown, Stratford €150 - Seller Jim & Bridget Bollard. Seller's Prize— Paddy Keane. Next draw on Monday, 14th March 2011, in Stratford Arms, Stratford. Thank you for your continued support. Tickets now on sale. Remember lotto results are now available on line at Stratford. wicklow.gaa.ie

### St. Patrick's Day Parade.

**Thursday 17th March @ 12.30pm.**

Loads of fun for all the family. Live Music, Irish Dancers, Face Painting, U12 Fancy Dress Competition, Prizes for Best Float, Best Club/Group, Best Vintage Vehicle & Best Dressed Shop Window. Entries are still being taken for all floats including Community Groups, Commercial or Novelty. Contact Bernard on 087 2046360.

**"Beannacht La Fhéile Pádraig".**

### Citizens' Information Mobile Unit.

At Weaver Sq., Baltinglass, Tuesday 15th March from 11am to 1pm. Information on Social Welfare, Employment, Finance, Housing, Health, Family Issues & Consumer Affairs. Our mobile unit is fully accessible. Baltinglass Citizens' Information Service is open every Friday from 10am to 2pm at the Old Credit Union Building.

### Irish School of Motoring.

Your local RSA Approved Driving Instructor (ADI), Noel Moore, Grangecon. \*Very patient instruction given to the highest standard. \*Very good with nervous pupils.\*Lessons are conducted in a relaxed atmosphere and pleasant learning environment. \*From total beginners right up to test standard. **087 3253000**

### Maths Grinds available.

Junior Cert Higher and Ordinary level & Leaving Cert Ordinary. Phone Sinead Miley - 087-9259122.

### A night of fashion, shopping, entertainment & prizes.

Mount Wolseley, Tullow, on Tues. 22nd March. Exciting fashions. Glass of Bubbly on reception @ 7pm, followed by a chance to browse/purchase wares from our local suppliers & sponsors. Entertainment at the break will provide a wonderful evening. Tickets Only €10.

### Culture Cafe Strikes Again.

A great night of creativity & chat recently in Davidstown Schoolhouse with West Wicklow Arts Network hosting Culture Cafe No. 2. The landscape photographs of Philip O'Reilly from Baltinglass were the 1st thing people noticed when they arrived. Refreshments from Hilda and Maria set the tone nicely, followed by an informal candle making demonstration from Karen Allison. Rory Adams performed his own songs on guitar & a special version of the Leonard Cohen classic, 'They're ain't no cure for love'. John Pilling performed his own specially composed celebration of the Culture Cafe! So we have an anthem already. Next night on Monday, March 28th in the same venue @ 8p.m. & features award winning local poetry, stained glass, classical guitar & conversation & craic. The Cafe could be hosted in other communities in future also. All welcome, Adm. free.

### NEWSLETTER.

**ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN NEXT WEEKS NEWSLETTER MUST BE IN BY 12NOON ON WEDNESDAY AS THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY—ST. PATRICK'S DAY.** Please include your name & contact details. **The Parish Office Opening hours are: Monday to Friday: 9.30am—1pm & 1.30pm—2.30pm.**

Newsletter



## Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

1st Sunday of Lent.

13th March 2011.

### ST. PATRICK'S DAY 17th March



#### Who was this man?

*Tough, hardy, strong, courageous and humble.*

*Close to the ground, the earth and his God. As he made his way, he had to 'dig deep' within himself to even survive and stay sane. He had to live out of his centre, his 'inner well' - that spot in all of us where there is limitless power, wisdom, courage, where all is good and beautiful. 'Tis the goodness, the God-ness, the Kingdom, the Spirit's residence. Living from this source Patrick had enormous strength, and infinite potential. He could do anything, climb any mountain, scale or go through any wall. He's ours and we're the lucky ones.*



#### Can we learn anything from our Man?

*Criost liom, Criost Romham, Pádraig agus Criost ag treoru mo shaoil i gcónaí.*



#### During Lent.

**Mass at 10.00am in St. Paul's Oratory Monday to Friday. Extra Mass on Fridays of Lent at 7.30am in St. Paul's Oratory.**

**Mondays and Wednesdays of Lent at 7.30am—Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion in St. Paul's Oratory.**

#### TRÓCAIRE BOXES THIS WEEKEND.

#### Mass on St. Patrick's Day.

**Baltinglass Church: Vigil Mass Wednesday, 16th @ 6pm. Mass Thurs. 17th @ 11am**  
**Rathvilly Church: Vigil Mass Wednesday 16th 7.30pm**  
**Mass Thursday 17th @ 11am**  
**St. Patrick's Day Parade, Baltinglass starts @ 12.30pm.**

#### Dates for your Diary.

**First Confession.**

**Grangecon:**—Wednesday 30th March @ 7pm,  
**Baltinglass:** Thursday 31st March @ 7.30pm & **Stratford:** Tuesday 5th April @ 7pm.

#### First Holy Communion.

**Stratford:** Saturday 7th May @ 11am, Grangecon: Sunday 8th May @ 9.30am & Baltinglass Sunday 15th May @ 11am.

#### Confirmation.

**Stratford:** Sunday 15th May @ 9.30am, Grangecon Sunday 22nd May @ 9.30am & Baltinglass Sunday May 22nd @ 12.30pm.