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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th September, 2017.

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Mary Hayes
11a.m. (Sun) Michael Cogan / Catherine Burke
Stratford: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Hilary McDermott



Ministers of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Patricia Carwood / Rena O'Toole / Mary Leigh
11a.m. (Sun) Mona Nolan / Maureen Plant / Kieran Cogan
Stratford: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Kay Halstead



This weekend: Baltinglass

Months Mind Mass

Nora Glynn, Mill Street, Baltinglass & Kilshanny, Clare

Anniversaries

John Kirwan, Deerpark
Jim Gethings, Parkmore
Mary Corcoran Coogan, Carrigeen
Julia Leigh, Rampere
Lar Murphy, Randlestown
Laurence Cullen, Lowtown
Tommy Malone, 11 Parkmore
Margaret Foley, Belan Street
Roy Fox, Lathaleer
P.J. Fox, Parkmore
Sean Winder, Parkmore
Mary Byrne, Shroughaun

Grange Con: 9.30a.m. (Sun)

Months Mind Mass

Ellen Germaine, Bessina, Grange Con



We welcome into our Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism, during the month of August 2017.

Grace Marie English
Kyle Angelo Dunne
Jack Stephen Browne
Daniel Paul Allen Barrett



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time -

“Where two or three are gathered in My name...” the community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the priesthood? Call Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill on 045 89 74 70 or Email vocations@kandle.ie

Weekend Mass Times.

Baltinglass: Saturday 6pm & Sunday 11a.m. Weekly Confessions after 6p.m. Mass on Saturdays. Stratford & Grange Con : Stratford next Sunday @ 9.30a.m.

Weekday Mass Times:

Daily 10a.m. in St. Paul's Oratory, The Parish Centre on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays. On Tuesdays: A Celebration of The Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion @ 10a.m. in St. Paul's Oratory.

Lough Derg Day of Friendship & Prayer on Wed.13th Sept. Arrival 10:30am / Departure 3pm. This ecumenical day of friendship & prayer is an opportunity to gather as a Christian pilgrim family. Keynote address 12 noon followed by Prayer Service & a light lunch. Advance booking is essential. Tel. 071 9861518 (0035371 9861518)

National Ploughing Championship

from Tue. 19th Sept. - 21st at Statscragan, Tullamore. Our Lady Queen of peace, Medjugorje stand will be located in Slaney & Suir, Block no 3, row no 30, stand on 647, unit no 4. Books, leaflets & messages. Phone 087 0900 819 or 059 64 81 499.

Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie

Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

Autumn Collection for our Priest & the supply Priests of the Parish. This envelope is in your box of envelopes & can be dropped into the collecting bags when you wish.

Our annual celebration of thanksgiving for the Harvest will take place in *St. Joseph's Church*, Baltinglass the weekend of the 23rd & 24th September - in *Grangecon* on the *24th September - Stratford on October 1st*. If your community group wishes to have a Harvest display in the Church, please contact the Parish Office so that a space can be allocated.

The Harvest Season. As we leave the summer holidays behind us this Sept. we fill our lungs with the cool scent of autumn. We are reminded to be thankful for all we have had the good fortune to receive this year as we enter the harvest season. The brisk air & autumnal atmosphere create a space for excitement about the new season ahead.

Variety Concert - 14th October in aid of Blessington/ Baltinglass Day Care in the Tramway Theatre Blessington. **Time:** 8p.m. **Tickets** €12 from the Parish Office, Hennessy's Office Shop or 087 29 34 806, 087 91 95 991 or 087 24 5046.

Teermann Community Garden Harvest Thanksgiving Food Tasting on *Thursday, 21st September* from 12.30 - 2.30p.m. in the Parish Centre. **Contribution** €5. All proceeds for the upkeep & maintenance of the garden. All welcome.

Glenstal Liturgical Conference: 'Living Stones, Sacramentality in a Secularised World', October 20th - 22nd, celebrating 90 years of Monastic life at Glenstal Abbey. Information at www.glenstal.org or by emailing litcon@glenstal.org

Choir Practice has resumed on a Wednesday night @ 8p.m. in the Parish Centre. New members are most welcome.

Irelands largest Coffee Morning - in aid of Carlow Kilkenny Homecare Team on Thursday 14th. Sept. in the Cathedral Parish Centre. Anybody or business willing to host a coffee morning would be very much appreciated. Phone 087 - 23 27 218.

Free Home Insulation: If you are a home owner living in Co. Wicklow & surrounding Dublin areas on a low income, you may qualify to get your home insulated free of charge. To qualify for the scheme you must be an owner occupier & in receipt of either Job Seekers Allowance for more than 6 months with a child aged U7, Fuel Allowance, Family Income Supplement or One Parent Family Payment. Phone the Warmer Homes Team for further details at 01 28 66 080.

Baltinglass Further Education & Training Centre. Have you thought about returning to education? Learn in a small group, at your own pace, in a friendly environment. Learn & meet new people. Attend classes with helpful & patient tutors. Learn in a relaxed environment where each person is catered for. Gain confidence & qualifications for the workplace. Our classes are flexible, part-time & free. Morning, afternoon & night time. Improving Basic English Skills; Computers - Beginners & Advanced; Food & Nutrition; Blow Drying Hair; CV Preparation & Interview Skills; Maths for everyday needs; English for Speakers of Other Languages; Gardening; One to one classes are an option & available for anyone who wants to learn or improve basic reading, spelling, writing, maths or computer skills. You can work with a tutor for an hour, once or twice a week. Please text or ring: Annette/ Maeve: 059-64 82 642 /086-84 62 771. Email abebaltinglass@kwebt.ie

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Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers: 04, 10, 18, 25.

Congratulations to the €17,800

Jackpot Winner Romie McGreal.

This Week's Jackpot: €6,000.

Match 3 winners - €40 each. Shanua Doyle; Mary Browne; Johnny Kenny; Sash & Freya; Peadar & Tom; Kieran Byrne; Robert Kearns ; Eddie Irwin.. **Next draw is in Germaines, Main Street on Monday 11th September @ 10p.m.** Tickets €2. Play online www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grange Con GAA Club

Lotto Results: *Last Week's Winning*

Numbers: 04, 14, 23, 28. No Jackpot Winner. This Week's Jackpot: €6,750. Match 3 Winner - €250. Marie McGarry. Sellers Prizes: €30 each. Dee Caplice & Reillys. Next Draw is in Stratford-Grange Con Clubhouse on Monday 11th Sept @ 9p.m. www.stratfordgrangecongaea.ie

Split the Pot Results.

1st Prize: Amanda Dunne. **2nd Prize:** Brian Roy.
3rd Prize: Kay Smithers.
4th Prize: Catherine Moore.

Aspiro Choir is 20 years old! Join us for an exciting year of singing & celebrating. Now recruiting new members for all groups Junior, Girls, Boys, Youth & Aspiro Inspired Adult Choir. Phone 085-74 51 111.

Adult Jiving, Quickstep & Waltzing dance

classes commencing on Thursday 21st September. Course runs for 6 weeks 8 - 9p.m. every Thursday. No Partner Required. Registration & Full Payment (€60) on the night. Academy of Dance, Carlow Youth & Community Centre, Green Lane, Carlow. Phone 087 27 27 315.

****NEWSLETTER****

Articles for inclusion in the newsletter **must be received before 12 noon on Thursday.** Articles can be emailed or dropped into the Parish Office & must include your name & contact details.

****PLEASE NOTE****

Parish Office Opening hours

Monday to Friday - 9.30a.m. - 1p.m.
& 1.30 to 2.30 pm

Cleaner required for private house

3-4 hours per week or as required. Must have ability to work on own initiative, be reliable & trustworthy, references from previous employer required. For details please text your name and contact details to 087 9171146 & I will ring you back.

Danny's Corner. It was great to see the town coming together on Wednesday night for the big clean. It is a great idea and hopefully more people will come out and support the group each week

Prostate Survivor Programme will be held in Eist in October/November 2017. The programme will help promote physical wellbeing, develop new coping skills, information & shared experiences – Phone the centre for info on 059 9139684. **The EIST Cancer Support Centre,** The Mill Lane Carlow provides practical help & support to anyone effected by cancer, their families & carers, from diagnosis, through treatment & afterwards. At Eist we respect & support you on your individual journey. We ensure a confidential, professional & caring service in a peaceful environment. The Centre opens 10a.m.-4p.m. Monday to Thursday & 10a.m. - 1p.m. Fridays.

Baltinglass Community

Development. A big thank you to the 28 volunteers who turned up to help at LAST Wednesdays first weekly sweep. Thanks to Daisy a Day for the fabulous Hi Fiz vests, Germaines for the refreshments & Eamonn Horan for supplying bags etc. Next week we will be meeting at Mc Allister again at 6.30p.m. to do the other side of the bridge Edwards Street & Mill Street. Please come along as the more the merrier.

Customers of Gillespies Supervalu

and Quinns EuroSpar can donate to SVP each time they shop by simply donating their points to SVP. Just ask the cashier to swipe your points to the SVP card. We would like to thank Gillespies Supervalu and Quinns EuroSpar and their customers for their on-going support.



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. 10th September, 2017

As our young children take their first tender steps into the big new world of school, we remember that it's the little steps, the small acts of kindness that can make all the difference.



ONE SMILE.

One song can spark a moment,
One flower can wake the dream,
One tree can start a forest,
One bird can herald spring,
One smile brings a friendship,
One handclasp lifts a soul,
One sunbeam lights a room,
One candle wipes out darkness,
One laugh will conquer gloom,
One step can start a journey,
One word can start a prayer,
One hope will raise our spirits,
One touch can show you care,
One voice can speak with wisdom,
One heart can know what's true,
One life can make a difference,
You see, it's up to you.



TOMMY FLEMING IN CONCERT

in St. Joseph's Church, Baltinglass

on Thursday, 30th November, 2017 @ 8p.m.

Doors open at 7p.m.

No support - Unreserved Seating.

Tickets €30 each.

Tickets are on sale now in the Parish Office, & in the following local shops - O'Reilly's, Burkes Newsagents & Centra. www.tommyfleming.net