

## MASS

St. Joseph's Church

Tues - Fri. 10am

Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am

### NO MASS ON MONDAY

Available on webcam  
& radio 100.2fm



Society of St Vincent de Paul

### BALTINGLASS BRANCH

If you wish to donate to St. Vincent de Paul (Baltinglass) to support families in our community who are in need, please use the following:

#### ACCOUNT NUMBER:

8447 8860

#### SORT CODE:

90 65 07

#### IBAN:

IE24 BOFI 9065 0784 4788 60



**MASSES & SERVICES AVAILABLE ON 100.2fm**

Thank you for returning your envelopes in such great numbers. Your generosity is much appreciated.

### RECENT DEATHS

Bernadette Hart (nee O'Connor), Shroughaun

### ANNIVERSARIES

#### BALTINGLASS

Elizabeth Nolan, The Wood

Mona Clynych, Castledermot Road

Timothy, Catherine & Pat O'Brien,

Ballinacrow

Margaret Foley, Belan Street

Julia Leigh, Rampere

Michael & Kathleen Molloy, Raheen

Joe Quirke, Beech Avenue, Parkmore

#### STRATFORD

Ann Humphreys, Whitestown, Stratford



### Grandparents Pilgrimage Knock Shrine 2020

The 2020 pilgrimage is on Sun.13th Sept. at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock taking place virtually at 3pm at Knock Basilica. This annual pilgrimage is a special day for grandparents and for all of us to acknowledge the great contribution that grandparents make to Church, to family, and to society in teaching and passing on the faith. We invite Grandparents and their families everywhere to join in praying for, and with, each other so that Grandparents everywhere can be honoured and thanked.

### Baltinglass GAA Club

#### Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers

13, 21, 22, 26

#### NO JACKPOT WINNER

This week's jackpot is €3,500

#### No match 3 winners

Tickets: €2. Next draw: Mon. 14th Sept.

### Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers

08, 09, 15, 19

#### Congrats to Jackpot Winner

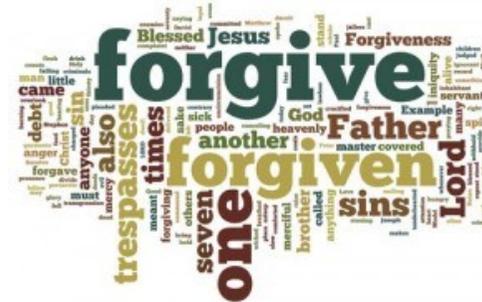
Seán Grace, Snugboro, Donard

This week's jackpot is €3,250

#### No match 3 winners

Sellers Prize: Colette Bollard

Tickets €2. Next draw: Mon. 14th Sept.



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday 19th September

11am Stratford

Saturday 26th September

10.30am Baltinglass

Ms. Owens' Class & Bigstone

1pm Baltinglass

Ms. Nolan's Class

Numbers attending will be limited.

### PARISH OFFICE

#### OPENING HOURS

Mon. Wed. & Fri. 9.30am - 1pm

Tues. & Thur.

9.30am - 1pm & 1.30pm - 2.30pm

NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR

ENTRY TO THE PARISH OFFICE

### COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

**ALONE** manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. Phone 0818 222 024 7 days a week, 8am - 8pm.

### Living Well

A free group online Self-Management programme for adults with long term health conditions. For more information please contact Ciara: 087 4088325 email: SelfManagementSupportsSECH@hse.ie Website: www.hse.ie/LivingWell

### Duffy Coach Hire Tours

Dates for Break Away Holidays 20th September 5 nights to Westport. Anyone interested in travelling phone 087 254 3235 or 059 64 71 681

### Tullow Community School

Enrolments now taking place for QQI Level 5 Course which will commence in Sept. One Year Advanced Business & Information Technology Training Course. Back to education grants etc. The course is also suitable to adults who need to retrain or update their skills, are unemployed etc. Phone 059 91 51 473. Email: info@tullowes.ie

## MASS RESUMPTION IN GRANGECON COVID-19 REGULATIONS APPLY

Grangecon: 20th September 9.30am  
**MAXIMUM ALLOWED IN CHURCH - 50 PEOPLE**

**Please understand if you come to the door  
and have to be asked to remain outside.**

### BE PREPARED—IT WILL BE DIFFERENT!

- Enter church by **MAIN DOOR**.
- Stewards will escort you to your seat.
- There are markers on the seat where you may sit.
- It may not be possible to sit in your 'favourite' or 'usual' place.
- For Communion, please stand if you wish to receive. The Priest or Minister will go to your seat.
- Side doors will also be used for exiting.
- While in the church, face coverings are recommended.
- Social distancing guidelines should be followed at all times both inside and outside the church.

### BOTH CHURCHES OPEN DAILY 10am—4pm

An area in each church has been prepared to facilitate a visit for personal prayer.

Access will only be to this area so as to limit cleaning requirements each day.

Grangecon—Main Door Stratford—Side Door

**PLEASE SANITIZE YOUR HANDS**

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Baltinglass: 6pm Saturday Max: 80 people

11am Sunday Max: 80 people

Grangecon: 9.30am Sunday Max: 50 people

Stratford: 9.30am Sunday Max: 40 people

*(Alternate Sundays beginning with Stratford 13th Sept)*

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th September 2020

#### Safeguarding Message for Safeguarding Sunday 2020

##### *The place of young people in the heart of our diocese, our parishes, our church*

Last September we celebrated our very first Safeguarding Sunday in the diocese. This year to coincide with Safeguarding Sunday in the middle of the Covid-19 pandemic we are also offering a Video Message.

Safeguarding Sunday is an opportunity to recognise publicly the years of dedication and work by so many to ensure that our diocese is a safe place for children and vulnerable adults and for all those working with them.

I thank the Diocesan Safeguarding Team and the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee for proposing this day once again and making it happen.

There are close to 200 people voluntarily working on behalf of safeguarding across all our parishes. I am most grateful for their commitment and dedication to their safeguarding brief. It is greatly appreciated. Our parishes, our diocese are safe places for young people to participate fully in the life of the Church.

The theme of this year's Safeguarding Sunday is the place of young people in the heart of our diocese, our parishes, our church.

Nothing gives me greater joy than to witness the involvement of so many young people in the life of our diocese: on my visits to parishes meeting teams of Altar Servers, the John Paul II recipients, the 260 Meitheal leaders working across 26 secondary schools in the diocese, the young people who travel with us on our pilgrimages

All these young people are a credit to their families, their parishes and their schools. I thank the many priests and laity who work so hard to ensure young people's experience of Church is both positive and healthy.

We in Kildare & Leighlin diocese are committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of all children and young people and will work in partnership with parents/guardians to do this.

We recognise each child, each young person as a gift from God, & we value and encourage the participation of them in all activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development. All our priests, religious, staff and volunteers have a responsibility to safeguard children and young people through promoting their welfare, health and development in a safe and caring environment that supports their best interests and prevents abuse.

The participation of children and young people in the heart of our parishes, our diocese, our church is a source of enjoyment, growth in faith, support and enrichment for young people and the wider communities in our parishes, participation that grows year on year.

We are all enriched by the presence and participation of children/young people; it is an expression of the Christian Community

We all share the responsibility of making the Church a safe place for children/young people to be - Church personnel, parents and parishioners. We put certain requirements in place to enable this to happen but we also live safeguarding every time we are in contact with youngsters in our parish activities.

I once again commend this Safeguarding Sunday Initiative and reiterate my apology to anyone who has suffered abuse in the past. You are always very much in our prayers. A reminder that the services of Towards Healing and Towards Peace are available for all who are trying to deal with the trauma of abuse in their lives.

With my prayers & thoughts,  
+ Denis Nulty, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin