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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th October

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Mary Hayes
11am (Sun) Michael Cogan /Catherine Burke



Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Liam Brady

Ministers of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Patricia Carwood /Rena O'Toole /Matt O'Brien
11am (Sun) John Paul Kenny /Bernie Kilcoyne /Seán & John Connolly



Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Ina O'Keefe

This weekend - Baltinglass 6pm

Anniversaries

Patricia Duffy, Parkmore
Pat & Elizabeth Leigh, Grangecon
Brendan Pearson, Parkmore
Patrick, Olive, Elizabeth & Mary Fleming, Shroughaun
Jane (Jenny) Kehoe, Newtownsaunders & Barronstown
Thomas & Maureen Darcy, Weaver Square
Peter Smyth, Ballyraggan



Grangecon: 9.30am

Joe & Katie Whelan, Ballynure
Pat & Elizabeth Leigh, Grangecon
Jim Fenlon, Barronstown
Jane (Jenny) Kehoe, Newtownsaunders & Barronstown
Michael & Margaret Kehoe, Grangecon Hill

We pray for
Paddy Doyle, late of Rathmoon
who died in London.

Funeral arrangements later.

&

Bob Lester who died in Melbourne,
Australia during the week.

May they rest in peace.



The Piety Shop - Baltinglass Church
before and after 6pm Mass Sat. & 11am Sun.

Weekend Mass Times

Baltinglass: Saturday 6pm &
Sunday 11am.

Weekly Confessions

after 6pm Mass on Saturdays
Stratford & Grangecon
Stratford next Sunday 9.30am.

Weekday Mass Times

Daily 10am in St. Paul's
Oratory,
The Parish Centre on Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
**Liturgy of the Word
& Holy Communion**
Monday 10am St. Paul's
Oratory.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday in St. Paul's Oratory
from 10.30am - 11.30am.
Every Sunday in Grangecon Church
from 3 - 4pm.

Parish Bingo

Every Monday night in Fatima Hall,
Baltinglass at 8.30pm. Your support
would be appreciated.

**Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie
Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie**

Thank You!

To all individuals & groups who decorated the Churches of the Parish for the celebration of Harvest Thanksgiving over the past two weekends. It certainly helped to raise our hearts and minds to the God of all Creation and it heightened our awareness of the gift & blessing of the fruits of the earth.

Rosary on the Coast

for Life & Faith Sun. Oct. 7th at 2.30pm.
Please join one of 129 locations around Ireland & with 42 countries around the world to pray for the protection of Life and the restoration of Faith. Please check this website to find a location near you:
coastalrosaryireland.ie

The Burren Film, Silver Branch

will be screened in Moat Theatre, Naas after Mass Sun. 14th Oct. at 7pm. An incredible film, with sublime imagery and poetic narration – which attaches an almost spiritual sense of importance to it.

Concert with Finbar Wright & Monasterevin Gospel Choir

St Peter & Pauls Church, Monasterevin
Fri. 12th Oct. 8pm. Tickets €25 from Earley's Fashion. Phone 045 42 53 95 or Parish Office 045 52 53 46.

Teermann Community Garden

wish to express their thanks & appreciation to all who cooked or contributed to the Harvest Food Tasting. Also to those who came to do the tasting. Thanks to the Transition Year Students for their support.

Baltinglass Bridge Club

resumes on Friday 19th October in the Lalor Centre at 7.30pm. New members welcome.

The Parents Association

of Bigstone N.S. are having a Fun Walk (Approx 6Km). Starting from Bigstone Hall at 12.30pm on Sun. 14th Oct. Refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

Danny's Corner

The Lalor Centre are setting up a choir & would love our friends in the community to join us. If you are interested in joining our choir come along, rehearsals on the 10th Oct. at 2.-30pm in the Parish Centre.

Dunlavin Harvest Festival

12th - October. **Venues:** St. Nicholas Church of Ireland & St. Nicholas of Myra Church – Dunlavin. **Categories:** Advanced, Intermediate, Beginners, Novelty, Schools, Groups, Children (5-7, 8-10 & 11+) and Shops & Businesses. Application forms are available from the local Parish Office. There will be a Non-Competitive section for anyone who would just like to do an arrangement for fun. All applications must be in by the 1st Oct. Prizes will include a trophy, rosette and prize money for adults, plus an overall winner. Children will also receive prizes. Some sponsorship available for flowers if required. Contact Ann - 087 76 43 960, Sheila 087 28 79 157 or Dunlavin Parish Office on 045 40 18 71.

Baltinglass & District

Active Retirement

Coffee Mornings in October are in the Community Tea Room.
Yoga Classes - 11th October at 1pm. Details from Mary on 087 29 99 571.
Bowling on Tuesdays 3pm – 5pm Fatima Hall. Beginners welcome.
Bridge & Rumicub Wednesdays 10.30am – 12md in The Parish Centre. Beginners welcome.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers
07, 15, 23, 24.

Jackpot Winner - No Winner.

This Week's Jackpot - €7,600.

Match 3 winners - €40 each.

Breda Kavanagh; Eimear, Ellen, Liz;
Declan Jones; Ivan O'Reilly; S. Fleming;
Peter, John & Seán McCormack;
Conor Manning; K. McNamara.

Next draw is on Mon. 8th Oct. @ 10pm in
Timmins, Weaver Square. Tickets €2.
Playonline at www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grange Con GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers.
09, 15, 28, 30.

Jackpot Winner - No Winner.

This week's Jackpot - €15,750.

Match 3 Winner - €250 - Bridy O'Neill.

Sellers Prize: €30 - Parkmore Stores.

Next draw is in Stratford-Grange Con
Club House on Monday 8th October
@ 8.45pm. Tickets €2. Play online at
www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie

Split the Pot Results

1st Prize: €100 - Marie Kelly

2nd Prize: €50 - Jim Lawler

3rd Prize: €25 - Josie Byrne

4th Prize: €25 - Mick Kehoe (Blue Boy)

NEWSLETTER

Articles for the newsletter **must be received before 12 noon on Thursday.**

Articles can be emailed or left into the Parish Office. They must include your name & contact details.

Parish Office Opening Hours

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

Tues. & Thurs. - 9.30am - 1pm
& 1.30pm to 2.30pm.

Childcare Practitioner Required

(Maternity Cover) for Kids Aloud

Community Preschool & Afterschool Service.

This position is part time and would cover Breakfast Club 7:45am -9am and afterschool service 13:40pm-18pm. This position would also require you to cover relief hours as necessary in our pre-school or afterschool service. Application must hold a minimum QQI level 5. Send your CV's to kidsaloud@eircom.net before Fri. 19th Oct..

Christmas Gift Fair

Christmas is just around the corner. Come along to O'Toole Hall, Rathdangan to our Christmas Gift Fair on Sunday November 4th from 3pm to 6pm.. We will have beautiful handmade unique gifts on offer this year, Pottery, candles, paintings, chutneys, cards, wood turning, face creams, decoupaged decorations to iron forged item. All stands are now booked up but if you have any other enquiries please ring 087 61 73 879.

Current CE Vacancy

Grounds person - Vacancy number:

CES-2084143. Location: Baltinglass -

Maintaining the grounds of Kare premises and parish grounds. Duties will include mowing the lawns, strimming /spraying weeds, general maintenance. This is a developmental role and no experience is required as full training will be given. **Training offered:** We provide safe pass certification, manual handling certification, fire safety awareness and all personal protective equipment and there are many training opportunities available (subject to DEASP approval).

To apply please check your eligibility with your Local Employment office (beside Borza Takeaway. Baltinglass, open Tuesday mornings 9 - 12:30pm. Please bring this reference number for this role.



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7th October 2018

Day for Life—7th October 2018

Day for Life is celebrated yearly by the Catholic church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery

Jesus tells us, "I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10). But many people do not have life to the full. They have fallen victim to the scourge of human trafficking and modern slavery which are an assault on a person's innate human dignity. People are not commodities to be traded ruthlessly for criminal profit.

Indeed, this is something that is happening in communities across our country, not just in our big cities. It's not only happening in brothels and nail bars, but on farms, building sites and factories as well. Nor is this a problem confined to immigrant communities, it is affecting our own citizens too.

Trafficking is a growing problem and the UN estimates that over 40 million people worldwide are in slavery. In the UK alone, it is estimated that every year there are over 13,000 victims of trafficking from all countries. Criminals exploit some of the most vulnerable and desperate people. We can act together to stop this. It is a crime hidden in plain sight, it's difficult to investigate, and the police need our help to identify and stop the traffickers and rescue and support the victims.

How Can We Help?

The Catholic community can make a real difference to help solve this problem – to help them find freedom and live life to the full. There are many organisations working to put a stop to human trafficking and modern slavery. One of these, the Santa Marta Group, works internationally to bring the Catholic Church and law enforcement agencies together to eradicate slavery. To read more visit www.santamartagroup.com

ENHANCEMENT OF THE ORATORY

St. Paul's Oratory is a great asset to our parish providing an intimate environment for the celebration of daily Mass and also a place where loved one's can repose at the time of a funeral. In time it is intended to repaint the room. Along with this it is proposed to replace two of the existing windows with stained glass to form a fitting background to the tabernacle area. They will also act to commemorate the visit of Pope Francis to Ireland this year. The proposed cost of these windows is €3,000. If you would like to make a donation to this work you may do so by calling into the Parish Office or contacting Fr. Ger personally.