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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd October, 2017.

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Pat Dunne / Jane Keogh

11a.m. (Sun) Seán O'Reilly / Fiona Kavanagh

Grange Con: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Kieran Hosey



Ministers of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Michael Lennon / Matt O'Brien/ Noel Kennedy /Pat Fleming

11a.m. (Sun) Mary Gohery / Therése Kelly / Catherine Lord

Grange Con: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Gina Carroll



This weekend: Baltinglass

Months Mind Mass

Imelda Kavanagh, Athy & Castledermot
Sr Eileen Doyle, Limerick & Baltinglass

Anniversaries

Rory Farrell, Rathmoon

Grace Hughes, Dublin

Patrick & Josephine Doody, Parkmore

Peter Doyle, Clough

Patrick & Mary Donegan, Holdenstown

Mary Owens, Parkmore

Stratford: Sunday 9.30a.m.



We pray for
Charlie Eivers, Trim, Co Meath
who has died during the week.
May He rest in peace.



Weekend Mass Times.

Baltinglass: Saturday 6pm & Sunday 11a.m. Weekly Confessions after 6p.m. Mass on Saturdays.

Stratford & Grange Con :
Grange Con 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.**

Prayer for Vocations.

Loving and generous God,
it is You who call us by name
and ask us to follow You.

Help us to grow in the Love
and Service of our Church.

Give us the energy and courage of
Your Spirit to shape its future.

Grant us faith-filled leaders
who will embrace Christ's Mission
of love and justice.

Bless the Church of Kildare & Leighlin
by raising up dedicated and generous leaders
who will serve Your people as priests.

Inspire us to know You better
and open our hearts to hear Your call.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie

Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

Volunteer Now for World Meeting of Families 2018.

At least 2,000 volunteers are needed to organise & see through this amazing event in August, 2018. Volunteers can give of their time, abilities & service to organise & deliver this event in various ways: being part of stewarding, welcoming & information teams; photographers, bloggers, media support; logistics; programming support, and many other ways. There are plenty of reasons to volunteer, including the invaluable experience gained, the social interaction, making new friends or simply helping to create this amazing & once in a lifetime event. So, don't delay, sign up today & be part of this unique opportunity! Go to www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer for more details & for online application form.

Sunday, 22nd October 2017 is World Mission Sunday.

Next Sunday, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection. Every person in every parish in every country where the Church is present will be celebrating together and sharing what they have, no matter how little. It is the one Sunday in the year when the Mass is celebrated exclusively for missionary activity. Donations are collected at these worldwide Masses and they go to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. It is also the one Sunday in the year when your generosity goes directly to help mission parishes overseas and reach out with Jesus' message of hope and love. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission. It is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland and, through local bishops, churches, and missionary congregations around the world, ensures that resources are distributed equitably and justly on the basis of need. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked so please give what you can. Thank You.

Medjugorje Retreat Weekend St John's Rest & Care Centre Knock.

Friday evening 27th October - Sunday afternoon 29th October. Holy Mass, Adoration, Talks & Testimonies. Speakers Fr Brendan Walsh S.A.C. Fra. Svetozar Kraljevic. Phone Bernie + 353 (0) 868196653. Email medjugorjecouncilofireland@gmail.com www.medjugorjecouncil.ie

Knock Shrine is seeking a Faith Renewal Co-Ordinator.

Be a part of the new and exciting developments at Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo. Applications are invited for the post of Faith Renewal Co-ordinator to develop, design, co-ordinate and deliver faith renewal programs at Knock Shrine. This is a full-time position. A third-level qualification in theology/spirituality with a least two year experience in faith related programs in either a parish or educational setting. The closing date for applications is Friday 27th October. For full details, job description and how to apply, please visit <https://www.knockshrine.ie/job-vacancies/>

Autumn/Winter Events at Knock Shrine – You're Invited!

We are delighted to announce a new programme of exciting events for the Autumn/Winter at Knock Shrine! These events are open to all and we invite you to take a look at all of the wonderful upcoming events below or find out more at www.knockshrine.ie/autumn-winter-events

The Memorial Mass in remembrance of all patients who have passed away in St. Luke's General Hospital in the year September 1st 2016 to 31st August 2017 will take place in St. Canice's Church, Kilkenny on Tuesday 17th October at 7.30 pm. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Many are called but few are chosen." Consider following Christ more closely as a priest, call Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill on 045 89 74 70 or Email vocations@kandle.ie

Easter Pilgrimage 28th March to 2nd April 2018 to Fatima in Portugal for 6 days ex Dublin, Led by Fr. Kevin O'Boyle. Price includes Hotels, Return Flights, Buses and Food. Also included is Mass in Saint Anthony's Church in Lisbon where Saint Anthony was born. Stations of the Cross and mass in Fatima. Don't be disappointed, Book Early. €100 deposit secures place. For Brochure contact James Treacy 086 05 72 216 or 061 92 147 0 after 9pm or otherwise leave your details on voicemail.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers:
01, 06, 19, 27.

Jackpot Winner - No winner.

This Week's Jackpot: €7,000.

15 Match 3 winners - €25 each.

Next draw is in Horan's Pub, Main Street
on Monday, 16th October @ 10p.m. Tickets €2.

Play online www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grange Con GAA Club

**Lotto Results: Last Week's Winning
Numbers:** 15, 16, 20, 29.

Jackpot Winner - Gudmund Krogsrud,
Whitestown, Stratford on Slaney.

This Week's Jackpot: €3,000.

Match 3 Winners - €250 - Dean Valentine.

Sellers Prizes: €30 each. Lisa Cashin &
Annette Mangan.

**Next Draw is in Stratford-Grange Con Club
house** on Monday, 16th October @ 9p.m.
www.stratfordgrangecongae.ie

Baltinglass Credit Union

**are running a "Christmas Shoe Box
Appeal.** If you would like to fill a shoe
box - please call into our offices & pick up a
leaflet & envelope. **How it works** - Choose
an age group & whether it's for a boy/girl, wrap
a shoe box in Christmas paper (wrap lid
separately), fill it with items of need such as
toothpaste, tooth brush, hair comb, hair
bands, underwear, socks, a little toy/colouring
pencils and the required €4, place an elastic
band around it (needs to be checked in airport
customs) & drop it into one of our 6 offices.
Our closing day is 10th November 2017. It's a
great cause & we want to give something back.

****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.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS.

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

Split the Pot Results.

1st Prize: Bernace Lennon;

2nd Prize: Lucy Barrett

3rd Prize: Len O'Connell

4th Prize: Mary O'Sullivan

CAKE SALE in aid of St Brigid's

Hospice, Kildare will be held on Friday 20th
October from 10.30a.m. to 12 noon in The
Parish Centre. Members of the public are
welcome to attend. Contributions of buns or cakes
from members of our Active Retirement Group or
individuals would be gratefully received. Further
information from Mary on 087 69 132 57.

Novelty Bingo in the Phoenix Centre,

Rathvilly on Sunday, 15th October, starting at
3p.m. Admission €5 including afternoon tea & a
raffle. In aid of Young at Heart Christmas Party.
All are welcome.

Danny's Corner: I would like to
remind everyone to be careful with their pets
now that Halloween is just around the
corner. Hope everyone has a peaceful and
fun Halloween.

The Weavers' Cottage Museum and garden is nestled in the picturesque village of

Clonegal beautifully restored to its
original condition. Come and take a step back in
time and listen to the history relayed by one of
our guides. **Opening Hours: Monday, 9.30a.m.**
- 5p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30
- 1.30 p.m. Friday from 9a.m. to 5p.m.

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.

Kildare Protect the 8th talk and training - Winning the Pro Life Argument.

Speakers: Kate Lawlor, Paddy Manning &
Michael Dwyer of Family & Life - on Tuesday
October 24th, Lawlor's Hotel, Naas at 7:30p.m. in
the Courtyard Suite. All welcome!



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

15th October, 2017

'The Lord is my Shepherd' Today's Psalm.

Many of us have something to deal with in ourselves, rather like
St. Paul who spoke of his thorn in the flesh. We can ask God to
take it away as Paul did, but it is there to remind us constantly of
the cross. St. Paul tells us today that 'there is nothing I cannot
master with the help of the one who gives me strength'.

Now at the Consecration I offer myself up mind, soul, body
and Spirit with Jesus to the Father. I ask God to melt me,
mould me, fill me, use me. Indeed we are all instruments for
God's use. We need to allow God to work through us even in
the smallest of ways.

Today's Psalm is most consoling and is one I need just now. 'The
Lord is my Shepherd', it is full of caring and kindness, constantly
being minded and loved by our Lord. In today's Gospel we are all
invited to the wedding feast. Many people tell me I'm too hard on
myself, that I need to live more loosely. Indeed I need to be
more humble and accept myself as I am just now - knowing that
'God will fulfil all my needs in Christ Jesus as lavishly as only
God can'.

Lead me on Precious Lord.

A.S.

A Baptism Meeting will take place

*in the Parish Centre on Tuesday, 24th October, 2017
for the parents of children who will be baptised in the Parish in
November 2017.*