

Baltinglass GAA Club.

Last Weeks Winning Numbers: 12, 13, 15, 25.

Jackpot winner: No winner.

This Week's Jackpot €5,800. **Match 3 winners:** €300 each. Mary Lennon, Newtown. **Next Draw** in Germaine's Pub, Main St. on Monday 10th October 2011. Tickets €2.



Stratford/Grangecon G.A.A.



Lotto Results. Last Week's Winning Numbers: 05, 06, 29, 30.

Jackpot winner: No winner. This Week's Jackpot €11,000. **Match three winners:** €37.50 each. Lorraine Barrett, Carmel Coleman, Sasha Mahood & Maura Hanly. **Seller's Prize.** Tracy Norton. Tickets €2.

Danny's Corner

Halloween is just upon us. We hope people have fun trick or treating. We ask people to be considerate towards the elderly at Halloween. Not everyone likes noisy bangers. Keep your dogs indoors when it gets noisy.

West Wicklow Arts Network in association with Tinahely Courthouse Café presents a Randy Newman Tribute Night on Friday, Oct. 14th @ 8p.m. in Quinns. Contact 087-9048095.

West Wicklow Day Care Centre

Committee next meeting takes place on Wed., 12th Oct. @ 8.30p.m. in the Day Care.

Bigstone Community Centre.

Sincere thanks to everyone who gave clothing, textiles & old mobiles to our Recycling Drive last weekend. The venture was a huge success.

Urgently Needed

Donation of a two ring Electric Stove in good working condition for Tearmann Community Garden. Contact 059 64 81 254.

Lady available for housekeeping,

cleaning, minding children, caring for the sick or elderly. References available. Call 085 78 14 934 in the evenings.

SAVE

Save on your E.S.B. bills with this energy saving device. €45 o.n.o. Contact 0876659999

Baltinglass Parish Bingo

In Fatima Hall, Baltinglass every Monday night @ 8.30p.m. The Jackpot this Monday is €900 in 50 calls or less.



Co. Wicklow V.E.C. Community Education

Programme. Making our communities sustainable. 8 week course, Wednesdays - 10.30a.m. - 1p.m. Starts October 19th in the Tearmann Community Garden. Phone 0404 32574/ 086 046 0510/ www.wicklowvec.ie Explore the resources of our community, including people (social issues), place (environmental issues) & economics & look at the security/insecurity of our future fuel supply (peak oil). Find ways to cut down energy costs. Course fee €40/ €15 for Social Welfare recipients.

Feeling Stressed, can't sleep, can't think or focus, then it's time to do something positive to help yourself. This 6 Week Class is designed to help you learn to relax your body & mind. Starts Tuesday, 18th October @ 7.30p.m. - 8.30pm in the Parish Centre Baltinglass. €60.00 for 6 weeks. Contact 086 8125187.

A Public Meeting Re: Grange Con Community

Field in Grange Con Hall (behind the Church) on Wed. 12th Oct. @ 8.30pm. to update the public on the current status & to discuss future development of the Field. This meeting is open to all in the locality.

The C Factor Live Final

Thanks to all who supported, helped out & took part in the C Factor auditions in Horans last Sat. Our judges narrowed it down to 8 which will take part in the final on Sat. 15th Oct. Doors open @ 9pm. The finalists are, Kris Caplice, Jules Davis, Sarah Jane Winder, Darren Martin, Darren Burke, Danielle Byrne, Dance Group - Sorelle Amor, Conor Lawlor & Curtis Haloran. Tickets on sale in local outlets €7. Entry on the door €9. The judges will pick 4 to go through to the live showdown. Contact Karen or Laura through the facebook event the C-factor or 087-7514194.

NEWSLETTER.

Items for inclusion in the newsletter must be received **BEFORE 12 NOON ON THURSDAYS.** Items may be phoned, faxed or emailed to the Parish Office. Please include your name & contact details. **The Parish Office Opening hours are: Monday to Friday: 9.30a.m —1.00pm & 1.30pm—2.30pm.**

Newsletter



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

9th October 2011.

'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 and 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 fulfill all my needs in Christ Jesus as lavishly as only God can'.

Lead me on Precious Lord. A.S.

Baptism - Baltinglass Church 2011.
Sunday 6th November @ 11.45a.m.

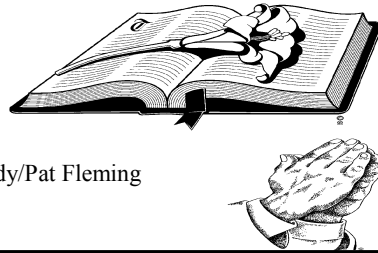
Parish Team:
Fr. Tommy Dillon 059 - 648 2768, Srs. Brigid & Carmel - 059 - 648 1561,
Parish Office Maria - 059 - 64 81 254.

Next Weekends Mass Times and Minis-

Weekend Mass Times.

Ministers of the Word:
Baltinglass: 6pm: (Sat) Yvonne Balfe
11am: (Sun) Elaine Byrne
Stratford: 9.30am: (Sun) Noreen Keogh

Eucharistic Ministers:
Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Matt O'Brien/Mai Kennedy/Pat Fleming
11am(Sun) Tony Duffy/Kate Deans
Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Kay Halstead



This Weekend:

Baltinglass: 6p.m.

Anniversaries:

Fintan & Angela Doyle, Main Street
Grace Hughes, Dublin
Edward & Mary Hanlon, Tuckmill
Peter Smyth, Ballyraggan
Olive Fleming, Shrughaun
Brendan Pearson, Parkmore
Bridie Allison, Palmerstown, Naas
Edward Kehoe, Rathtoole
Michael & Betty Keogh, Moneymore
Grangecon: 9:30a.m.
Joe & Katie Whelan, Ballinure Park
Mick & Margaret Kehoe, Grangecon Hill



**Baltinglass: Saturday 6pm &
Sunday 11am.**
**Weekly Confessions after 6pm Mass on
Saturday.**
**Stratford & Grange Con
Every Second Sunday @ 9.30am.**
Mass in Stratford next weekend.
Weekday Mass Times
**Daily 10am in St. Paul's Oratory, the
Parish Centre, Baltinglass.**

The **Harvest thanksgiving Mass** takes place in Grangecon Church on **Sunday, 9th Oct.** at 9.30a.m. The **Harvest thanksgiving Mass** takes place in Baltinglass Church on **Sunday 16th October** at 11a.m.

St. Oliver Plunkett for Peace & Reconciliation, 53 Maple Drive, Drogheda. Our Committee are inviting a 'National Day of Prayer' on the anniversary of St. Oliver's canonisation, Wed. 12th Oct. St. Oliver can be found on the website: www.saintoliverplunkett.com

Baltinglass Hospital Christmas

Bazaar. On Sunday, 27th November. All items of Bric-a-Brac, Cakes, Raffle Prizes, Bottles, Toys, Plants & new items for wheel of fortune would be appreciated and may be dropped into the hospital at any time.

Rosary at the Grotto. (Behind St. Joseph's Church). For the month of October - the month of the Holy Rosary. Every Sunday in October the Holy Rosary will be recited @ 3p.m.

Concert in Cobden Hall, St. Patrick's College, with Folksinger & Peace Activist, Tommy Sands, on Monday Oct. 10th @ 8p.m. Book at College Front Office or 059 91 53 200 Monday to Friday.

Bigstone Community Alert.

Seminar at Bigstone Hall on Friday, 14th October @ 7.30p.m. Topics covered - Crime prevention, Health & Safety, 1st aid, Senior Citizen Alarms etc. Garda Chief Superintendents & Muintir na Tire will attend. Vital information for active groups & those intending to start their own group. All welcome. Enquiries to 086 84 88 862.

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

Dates for your Diary.

First Holy Communion in Baltinglass Parish 2012.

Stratford N.S. Stratford Church on **Sunday 6th May @ 9.30a.m.**
Grange Con N.S. Grangecon Church on **Sunday 13th May @ 9.30a.m.**
Baltinglass & Bigstone N.S. Baltinglass Church on **Sunday 20th May @ 11a.m.**

Confirmation in Baltinglass Parish 2012.

Stratford N.S. Stratford Church on **Sunday 20th May @ 9.30a.m.**
Grangecon N.S. Grange Con Church on **Sunday 27th May @ 9.30a.m.**
Baltinglass & Bigstone N.S. Baltinglass Church on **Sunday 27th May @ 12.30p.m.**

Autumn Collection.

For the Priest/Supply Priests of the Parish.
Please note that this envelope is in your box of envelopes & can be dropped into the collection bags when you wish. **SPARE ENVELOPES** are available at the back of the Church. **Thanks for your constant support.**

**Ronan McDonagh with Fuaimlaoi to perform
in Carlow Cathedral on 16 Oct. 2011.**

For 2 hours the audience can enjoy music that is based on Scripture texts – particularly psalms, hymns, Irish prayers and poetry in a musical style that is fluent, natural and melodic. Tickets from the Cathedral Parish Office, College Street, Carlow, Tel: 059 9164087, or on the night at the door. Donation: €10.

Carlow Lions Book Sale.

On Tullow Street, starting on Wed 12th Oct to Sat. 15th Oct. & on Wed. 19th Oct to Sat. 22nd Oct. Donations of Books may be handed in during opening hours. Phone 086 – 23 27 218 for collection.

First Holy Communion Meeting.

A meeting of all the parents of the children who will receive their First Holy Communion in 2012 will take place on Monday the 10th October @ 8p.m. in the **Parish Centre.**

Eucharistic Congress Bell.

Thanks to the Liturgy Group who organised the visit of the bell to Baltinglass Parish last Sunday the 2nd October 2011 @ 5.30p.m. To those who took an active part in the Ceremony especially our young people. It was a moving experience for the large crowd who gathered. All went home blessed and at peace.

Baltinglass Adult Learning Centre.

Did you leave school early? Free courses available in Art, Maths & Gardening to help you build confidence, update your skills etc. **Where:** Baltinglass Adult Learning Centre in Oct. for 2 hours a week. Phone or text: Annette or Maeve on 059-6482642 or 086-8462771: baltinglass@wicklowlearners.ie

Culture Café in Davidstown on Mon.

Oct. 10th @ 8p.m. This monthly event, promoted by West Wicklow Arts Network, celebrates & encourages local creativity. The 1st night will include live music, surprise guests & refreshments. There is no charge but voluntary donations to cover expenses are gratefully appreciated. The event is open to all
Contact: 087-9048095.

County Wicklow Playbus Project.

Recruiting for **Play Workers - West Wicklow (CE)** who will work with pre-school children as part of a team & also for **Playbus drivers (D Licence CE)** who will support the Co Wicklow Playbus by driving it to designated places in the County. Contact Gemma for a job description on 086 0266462
Application by CV with 2 references by Friday, October 21st, to County Wicklow Playbus Project, Co-ordinator, The Murrough Campus, The Murrough, Wicklow Town.

ACTIVE RETIRED.

Over 50s Show/Back to our past. Limited free tickets available for this show in the R. D. S. on 21st 22nd and 23rd of October.
Contact Mary - 087/ 29 99 571.