

Baltinglass GAA Club.

Last Weeks Winning Numbers: **01, 03, 22, 27.**

Jackpot winner: No winner.

This Week's Jackpot €6,400.

Match 3 winners: €300 Each.

Liz Timmins, Borkle, Kiltegan.

Next Draw - Horan's Pub, Tues. 1st Nov.

Congrats to the Balto U14 Girls

Who won the A Sheild last Sunday. Good end to the year. Many thanks to all Managers, Mentors & Parents who helped out all year.



Stratford/Grangecon G.A.A.

Lotto Results. Last Week's Winning Numbers: 09, 18, 19, 27.

Jackpot Winner - No winner.

This Week's Jackpot €6,250.

Match three winners: €25 each.

Brendan Byrne, Kay Moore, Ann Coyle, Ivan Furlong, Pamela Byrne & Joe Hammel.

Seller's Prize: F.H. O'Neill.

Tickets €2. Next draw in Moore's Pub, Grangecon on Tuesday November 1st 2011.



Proceeds of a Race Night

Which was organised by the Staff of Quinns of Baltinglass, raised €8,230.32. This money was donated to the Patients' Comfort fund in Baltinglass Hospital. Thanks to everyone who was involved or who donated to this fundraiser.

Optician, Orla Walsh FAOI.

Now open at Bridge Street, Tullow. Open Thurs/ Fri 10-5, & Sat 10-3. Phone 059-91 52 704.

Clocks Back this weekend!

Just reminding you to put your clocks back this Sat. **29th Oct.**



Stratford Arms Bank Holiday Weekend.

Sunday 30th Oct. - Music by Blue Lace. **Monday 31st** - Children's Fancy Dress from 2p.m. - 4p.m. **Monday night** - Adults Fancy Dress. Cash prizes. Audience vote. Music by Brendan Lee.

Active Retired

Christmas Shopping trip to Kilkenny City on November 16th. Bus leaving Weaver Sq. @ 10.30a.m. €10. A few places Remaining. Contact Mary - 087 29 99 571.

Baltinglass Parish Bingo

In Fatima Hall, Baltinglass every Monday night @ 8.30p.m. Your support would be greatly appreciated.



FREE FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Halloween night, 31st October @ 6p.m., at the Weir. Free Children's Disco afterwards in Germaine's, Main Street, Baltinglass.



The Parishes of Baltinglass/Ballynure/Stratford

Annual Bazaar in Stratford Lodge Old School, Church Lane, Baltinglass on Sat. 12th Nov. @ 3p.m. Come & enjoy Tea, Home-Made Cakes, Produce, Books, Bric and Brac etc.

3 female jack Russells - 8 weeks old -

Free to a good home. Phone 087 31 42 774.

Lady available to do Ironing

Reasonable rates. Phone 087 31 42 774

Danny's Corner.

We hope you have a lovely Halloween. Just remember to be safe. Be careful when letting off those Bangers! Keep your pets indoors as they don't like noise.

The next date for cleaning Baltinglass Church is Friday 4th Nov. @ 10.30a.m.

West Wicklow Classic & Vintage Vehicle Club

Car care, information & demo evening, Nov. 8th @ 8p.m. in Germaines. **AutoGlym** importer & distributor for Ireland Ted Gaffney will give information on car cleaning & care. which includes a video presentation & a demonstration & advice on use of AutoGlym products. **Adm. Free.** You don't need to be a club member.

www.westwicklowclassics.com or email

wwwvcv@baltinglasstown.com

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

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

30 October 2011

CELT AND CHRISTIAN

If we were to live according to the Celtic calendar, this weekend would mark Samhain, a special time of celebration. It marked one of the two gates of the year, the other being Bealtaine (1st May) - the bright half of the year.

Samhain - 1st November began the dark half of the year. It was a night when pranks were played, girls dressed as boys, boys as girls, property was disturbed, gates removed, chimneys and roads blocked, carts dismantled and reassembled inside houses. A lot of Celtic confusion. It was the "Spirit — nights as it was held to be a night when a dividing line between this physical world and the invisible world was at its thinnest. Death was held to be flimsy veil.

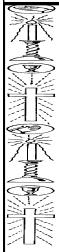
Christianity gave God's answers to this mysterious night of the Celts. Through Christ we hear the fuller truth about life, death and what lies beyond. We now call Samhain Halloween or "All Hallows (Saints) eve to give it the longer title. All Saints' Day gives us a glimpse into our own glorious future, worked out in loving and serving the Lord, here on earth.

We pray that one day this will be our feast as well. A.S.

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

Parish Team:
Fr. Tommy Dillon: 059 - 648 27 68, Srs. Brigid & Carmel: 059 - 64 81 561,
Parish Office: Maria - 059 - 64 81 254.

Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - 5th & 6th November 2011.



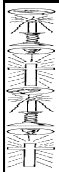
Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm: (Sat) Niall Lennon
 11am: (Sun) Catherine O'Neill
Grangecon: 9.30am:(Sun) Teresa Doyle



Eucharistic Ministers:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Clare O'Neill/Theresa McDermott/Maria Kinsella
 11am (Sun) John Paul Kenny/Bernie Kilcoyne
Grangecon: 9.30am (Sun) Mick Kehoe



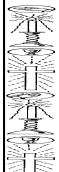
Ministers of the Word: Feast of All Saints - Tues. 1st November.

Baltinglass: 6pm: (Mon) Vigil - Jane Fleming
 11am: (Tues) As per 10a.m. daily Mass rota.



Eucharistic Ministers:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Mon) Vigil - Julia O'Neill/Bernie Doogue
 11am (Tues.) As per 10a.m. daily Mass rota



Ministers of the Word: Feast of All Souls - Wed. 2nd November.

Baltinglass: 7.30p.m. (Wed.) Janet Bermingham
St. Paul's Oratory: 10a.m. (Wed.) As per daily Mass rota



Eucharistic Ministers:

Baltinglass: 7.30p.m. (Wed.) Karen Bermingham/Pat Fleming
St. Paul's Oratory 10a.m. (Wed.) as per daily Mass Rota



This Weekend:

Baltinglass: 6p.m.

Anniversaries:

Rose Harte, Mill Street
 Rose Foster, 1, Parkmore
 Johnny Whitty & all the deceased members of the Whitty family, Hughestown
 Richard Lennon, Weaver Square & all deceased members of the Lennon family, Weaver Square
 William Coogan, Knockfield
 Ellen Donegan, Kilmurray
 James, Elizabeth, Tom Kelly & Jim Kelly Jnr., Greenlane



Feast of All Saints - 1st November.

Anniversaries:

Baltinglass:
 Owen & Mary Dunne, Mill Street.
 Cyril & Marie McGeer, Parkmore

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

Mass for Holy Day - All Saints - 1st Nov.

Vigil Mass: Mon. 31st Oct. 6p.m. in Parish Church.
Tues. 1st Nov. 11a.m. in Parish Church.

Feast of All Souls: Wednesday 2nd Nov.

Mass at 10a.m. in St. Paul's Oratory.
Mass at 7.30p.m. on Wed. evening in the Parish Church for all our dead. Families will be invited to carry the light on behalf of their loved ones.



We pray for
John Hughes, Parkmore
 who has died during the week.
May he rest in peace.

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

Collectors in Baltinglass for November.

Saturday 6p.m. Mass:

Main Aisle: John Kelly/Matt O'Brien
Convent Aisle: Frank Doyle
Lalor Aisle: Charley Shortt

Sunday 11a.m. Mass:

Main Aisle: Seamus O'Reilly/Brendan O'Neill
Convent Aisle: John Burke
Lalor Aisle: Joey Fagan

St. Joseph's Church Piety Shop.

Visit our newly opened Piety Shop at the main door. Statues, Rosary Beads, Pictures, Candles, Bibles, Baptismal Candles, Mass Cards, Christmas Cards, Christmas Mass Bouquets etc. & more. Shop open before & after 6p.m. Mass in Baltinglass every week.

Congratulations to

Tina Kelly, Winetavern, Stratford

&

Declan Bollard, Oldtown, Baltinglass

who were married in

St. Mary's Church, Stratford on
 Saturday 22nd October 2011.



We welcome into our Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism during the month of October 2011.

Harry Cruz Kavanagh
 Lauren Sophie Moore
 Charli Maryann Donegan Keogh
 Matthew Christopher Ryder Klein



Volunteers urgently needed for the

50th International Eucharistic Congress 2012 which takes place in Dublin - 10th - 17th June 2012. Between 2 & 3 thousand volunteers will be needed during the week of the Congress & also to assist in preparations in the months leading up to the Congress. The Congress is recruiting volunteers for administration, data entry, stewards, marketing, transport, meet & greet, multimedia, pastoral preparation etc. If you would like to get involved please visit the IEC2012 website www.iec2012.ie/volunteer & fill out an online application or request an application form from the Congress office. Induction training sessions will begin **19th Nov in the RDS.** Contact the IEC2012 offices on (01) 2349900

The Annual Community Dinner Dance

Friday, 18th Nov. in Inis Fail, Baltinglass. Music by The Dreamers. Tickets: €30. 9pm sharp. Tickets available from committee members & the Parish Office - 059 64 81 254, Maureen Plant - 059 64 81 351, - Mick Kehoe -087 28 75 011, Nellie Barrett - 087 99 34 901 or Marguerite Salmon on 059 64 81 884.

An Evening of Lectio Divina

Mount St. Anne's, Killenard, Co. Laois on 9th Nov. 8p.m. - 10p.m. Book your place through the parish office or Kildare & Leighlin Faith Development Services on 059 9164084 before Mon. 7th Nov. Early booking advised. A contribution to help with costs will be gratefully accepted on the night.

"Be the Change" - Symposium

4 Sessions in the Parish Centre, Baltinglass.
Mon. 7th Nov. 2.10p.m. - 3.20p.m. **Wed. 9th Nov.** 11.35a.m. - 12.45p.m. **Mon. 14th Nov.** 2.10p.m. - 3.20p.m. & **Wed. 16th Nov.** 11.35a.m. - 12.45p.m. This Symposium helps people come to a deeper understanding of where we are as a society, how we got here, and what we can & must do if we want to see: an ecologically sustainable socially just, spiritual fulfilling, human presence on this planet. The symposium uses short films & video clips to highlight the message of "Be the Change". **Cost:** Donation. **Contact** Maria in the Parish Office- 059 64 81 254.

Collectors for November in Grange Con are Tom Whelan & Tony Howard.

The 4th Annual Babyloss Awareness Remembrance Service

in Slí an Chroí, St. Patrick's, Kiltegan, Sund., 13th Nov. 2011 @ 2pm. Refreshments will be served afterwards. All welcome. www.babylossawareness.ie

November the Month of the Holy Souls.

Stations of the Cross & Rosary every Friday night @ 7p.m. in November in St. Mary's Church, Stratford.