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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th March.

Minsters of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Niall Doogue / Laura Egan
11a.m. (Sun) Chris Murray / Janet Gorman
Stratford: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Margaret Cronin



Minsters of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Clare O'Neill / Theresa McDermott / Ann Leigh / Seamus Kelly
11a.m. (Sun) John Paul Kenny / Bernie Kilcoyne / Seán Connolly / John Connolly
Stratford: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Helen O'Keefe



This weekend: Baltinglass 6p.m.

Months Mind Mass

Alice O'Neill, Downings, Kiltegan

Anniversaries:

Tom Murphy, St. Joseph's Bawnogues

Rita Kehoe, Rathtoole

Patrick Lawler, Ballycore

Christy Donohoe, Tinoran

Michael Campion, Castlecomer

Edward Swayne, Hughestown

Patrick Lennon, Parkmore

James Geraghty, Rathmines, Dublin

Dr Patrick Lord, Bawnogues

Kathleen Nolan, Glencannon

Jim Murphy, Irongrange

Paddy Byrne, Newtown

Willie Mackey & all deceased members of the

Mackey Family, Ballinacrow

Johnny Burke, Woodfield

Grange Con: 9.30a.m. (Sun)

Rita Kehoe, Rathtoole

Patrick Lawler, Ballycore

Christina Loughlin, Ballinacrow

Jim & Bridget Byrne, the Rocks, Grange Con

Jack & Nora Byrne, Castlehill, Grange Con

Margaret Cronin, Springfield

Mary Harney, Colbinstown



Weekend Mass Times.

Baltinglass: Saturday 6pm & Sunday 11a.m.

Weekly Confessions after 6p.m. Mass on Saturdays.

Stratford & Grange Con Mass in Stratford next weekend.

Weekday Mass Times
Daily 10a.m. in St. Paul's Oratory,
The Parish Centre, on Mondays,
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays.

During the Season of Lent, there will be a Scripture sharing session in the Parish Centre on Thursday mornings from 10.45a.m. - 11.15a.m. All are welcome.

The Parishes within the Tullow Deanery welcome you to take a short @time out' during this Lenten season, for quiet reflection in the beautiful setting of St.

Patrick's, Kiltegan. This is in response to Pope Francis' call to "Care for our Common Home". Where? The Eco Resource Centre (Close to Sli an Chroí. When? Saturday 25th March from 2 - 4p.m. A small donation will be welcome.

Those wishing to attend, contact Tullow Parish Office on 059 915 1277 or Baltinglass Parish Office on 059 648 1254.

Baptisms in Baltinglass Church

Sunday, 9th April @ 11.45a.m.

Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie

Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

Lenten/Easter Collection for our Priest & the supply Priests of the Parish.

This envelope is in your box of envelopes & can be dropped into the collecting bags when you wish. Spare envelopes are in the back of the 3 Churches

Carlow Regional Pioneer Mass

will take place in St. Joseph's Church at 6p.m. on Saturday, 25th March. A Meeting will take place afterwards & light refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre. **All Pioneers & Friends are welcome.** Phone Mick Kehoe - 087 28 75 011.

3rd Sunday in Lent. "But whoever drinks the water I give, will never be thirsty." Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation?

If you think Jesus may be inviting you to the priesthood, Please **contact** Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill on 045 89 74 70 or Email vocations@kandle.ie

A Heart's Journey - A Sacred Journey!

A 6 day Summer Retreat facilitated by Monica Brown & Hilary Musgrave. **Dates:** Saturday 15th - Friday 21st July. **Venue:** Teach Bhride, Brigidine Centre, Tullow. **Fees:** Single room €450. Ensuite Room €510. Booking essential. Phone Emmaus Productions on +353 894 966 995 or + 353 347 333 or email emmausireland@emmausproductions.com

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages

Airport Transport & 7 nights B&B . Tel. 01 44 34 510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

Rathdangan Drama Groups next production is "A wake in the west" written by Micheal J Ginnelly & produced by John Rossister. This production will take place on Friday, March 24th, 25th & 26th & Fri March 31st, Sat April 1st & 2nd. Starting at 8pm sharp. For tickets phone Seamus on 086 34 43 805 or Tess 087 61 73 879.

The Cozy Corner Crafters, The Men's Shed & the Tearmann Garden wish to thank everyone who supported them at their Creative Living Craft Fair on Saturday the 11th March. Everyone had a great time.

Knock to New York Pilgrimage 8th - 14th May. Knock Shrine will lead a historic pilgrimage to New York in May. Flight-only tickets are now available, price €599 (incl. taxes and charges) direct from Ireland West Airport. Full packages also available which include flights, accommodation and itinerary. Contact Joe Walsh Tours - (01) 241 0800.

The 21st Pioneer National Ball takes place on Sat 8th April 2017, in the Sheraton Athlone Hotel, after 6.30pm Mass in St. Mary's Church, Athlone. Tickets €30. Guest Speaker: Jim Bolger. Music by Nite Fever. For tickets/information - contact Brenda Lynch 087-6189411 or Dermot Fagan 085-7201646. There's more information on our facebook page: Leinster Pioneers.

The spring/summer series of Faith Renewal events at Knock Shrine

includes a mix of day retreats & enrichment workshops and a special 'Celebrating Family' day on Saturday 8th April. Facilitators Fr Timothy Bartlett and Breda O'Brien. For the full programme of events, see www.knockshrine.ie/faithrenewal .

Humanitarian Volunteers are looking for volunteers to travel to Kenya

on 15 June 2017. Volunteers will work on a humanitarian project for 2 weeks. No experience required & no age restrictions. Support & Supervision provided. Volunteers will visit the resting place of the Venerable Edel Quinn. No large fundraising. Volunteers pay their own costs. If you can assist teaching English, or assist with sports, games, arts, crafts or more, then you can make a real impact on the lives of the poorest & those without hope. Contact Denis Humanitarian Volunteers on 086 85 20 271.

St Vincent De Paul will hold a collection next weekend at all masses. All proceeds will go to assist those in need in the locality. Your support will be much appreciated. Anybody seeking assistance from SVP should contact the Parish Office on 059 64 81 254.

We pray for
Billy Fitzgerald, Bawnogues
& **Billy O'Brien**, Raheen
who have died recently.
May they rest in peace.



Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers: 11, 16, 18, 23.

No Jackpot winner. This Week's Jackpot €12,700. **5 Match 3 winners** - €60 each. Mick McGrath, Hacketstown, Ed Barry, Sarah Doyle, Rathvilly, Catherine Byrne, Tullow & Patricia Foley. **Next draw on Monday, 20th March @ 10p.m.** in Horans. Tickets €2.

Baltinglass GAA Celebration Dinner Dance on March 25th in Germaines, Baltinglass. Tickets available in Patterson's Butchers, or Paula Doyle -086 16 01 052 or Con Murphy 087 23 16 779. **Cost:** €25. **Music** by Deja Vu.

Stratford/Grange Con GAA Club Lotto

Results. Last Week's Winning Numbers: 07, 09, 22, 26. **No Jackpot Winner.**

This Week's Jackpot: € 7,750.

2 Match 3 winners €125 each. Pauline Allen & Annette & Maurice Mangan. **Sellers Prizes:** €30 each. F.H. O'Neill & Sandra Ovington. **Next Draw** is in Stratford-Grange Con Clubhouse on Monday, 20th March @ 9p.m. Play online at www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie

Split the Pot Results: **1st Prize:** Tom Baker. **2nd Prize:** Bridie Doyle. **3rd Prize:** Len O'Connell. Congrats to all!

Grange Con Primary School are now taking enrolments for 2017. Forms are available from the School. Phone 045 403 111 or call into the Open evening on 30th March from 6 - 8p.m.

Scoil Chonglais Presents Grease in Fatima Hall on 22nd & 23rd of March @ 7.30 p.m. Tickets are available on the night or can be purchased directly from Scoil Chonglais. Tickets cost €10 for students; €12 for adults & family deals are available. Come along you won't regret it!

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.
& 1.30p.m. - 2.30p.m.

Daffodil Day in aid of the Irish Cancer

Society will be held in Baltinglass & surrounding areas on Friday, 24th March. All volunteer helpers would be gratefully appreciated. If you wish to help in anyway, please leave your name & number into Patterson's Butchers. Donations of fresh daffodils would be very gratefully received. **Emma Hayden, area organiser for the Irish Cancer Society.**

Baltinglass Further Education & Training Centre.

Phone: 05964 82 642 / 086 84 62 771 abebaltinglass@kwetb.ie
PRACTICAL MATHS COURSE to help you in everyday maths situations, starting in March for 3 hours per week. If you complete this course you will be able to use maths for an apprenticeship or a trade; Gain confidence in using numbers + figures etc. For further information please Contact: Annette or Maeve on 059 64 82 642 / 086 84 62 771.

All are Welcome to a Talk on MENTAL HEALTH & Suicide in Moone Hall on the 20th March at 8pm. Tea & Coffee afterwards.

Danny's Corner: Daffodil Day Coffee Morning in The Lalor Centre on Wednesday 22nd March from 8.45a.m. to 12 noon. All are Welcome.

Community Employment Opportunity with KARE in Tinahely Local Service (2 places) and Baltinglass (1) as front line staff to work with adults with an intellectual disability. This position is part time. There are numerous training opportunities attached to this role and it is envisaged that the person who applies is open to supported training and development. I also have one cleaning position available in Tinahely local service. If this sounds like you - please contact Sandra Carroll on 087-0668129.

Barrow Training & Consultancy. Phone 059 972 1416. www.barrowtraining.ie
Make up Demonstration in Bagenalstown on March 23rd. Cost €30. **Non violent Personal Safety & De-Escalation Training** on March 24th in Carlow. Cost €80.



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

3rd Sunday in Lent.

19th March, 2017



"Come to the water all you who are thirsty"

On Being a Well

Some experiences are like wells.

People create them.

They are life-giving happenings.

They are redeeming experiences.

They are wells, wells of wonder, wells of hope.

When you find a well drink deeply of the gift within,
and then maybe you'll soon discover that you've become
what you received.

And then you'll be a well for others to discover.

*May the blessing of God, fountain of living water, flow within us as a
river of life.*

May we drink deeply from its wisdom.

*May we go through life refreshing many, especially those most neglected
and alienated and be a sign of healing for all through the One who is the
Water of Life.*

If you haven't already taken a Trócaire box to your home this Lent, We invite you to collect one in the Church Porches & encourage family members to make a contribution towards the marvellous humanitarian work of Trócaire. Lent is not just about 'giving up' but more importantly, it's about 'giving'.