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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th January.

Minsters of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Pat Dunne, Jane Keogh
 11a.m. (Sun) Alf Gillespie, John Paul Kenny
Stratford : 9.30a.m. (Sun) Stephen Poll



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) Ann Whittle



This weekend: Baltinglass 6p.m.

Months Mind Mass:

Róisín Murphy, Sruthán

Anniversaries:

Annie & Joseph O'Neill, Tinoran

Esther Curry, Parkmore

Ambrose O'Neill, Tuckmill

Phil Mahon (nee Nolan) The Wood & Bunclody &

her Sister Lil McHugh, Naas

Jack, Eilish & John Kilcoyne, Mill Street

Tommie Dooley, Chapel Hill

Paddy Murphy, Seskin, Donard

Lizzie McGeer, 24 Parkmore

Liam Furlong, London, Woodfield

Grange Con: Sun. 9.30a.m.

Margaret & Mick Kehoe, Grange Con Hill



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,

Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays.

On Tuesdays: A Celebration of

The Liturgy of the Word &

Holy Communion @ 10a.m. in

St. Paul's Oratory.

Thanks from Baltinglass Hospital.

The staff and residents of Baltinglass Hospital wish to thank everyone who visited the hospital and provided entertainment over the Christmas period. There were lots of carol singers, musicians, school children, groups from Blessington, Donard, Baltinglass and all the surrounding areas. Thanks to all for helping to make Christmas an enjoyable time for the residents.'

Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie

Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

What's New?

Webcams are now installed in our Parish Church & St. Paul's oratory.

All ceremonies are broadcast worldwide & can be viewed on PC's, laptops, iPad's & Smart Phones. Look for www.mcnmedia.tv or just mcmedia.tv (upper or lower case it doesn't matter).

If someone is housebound, family members may like to set them up. Camera 1 is Parish Church & Camera 2 is St. Paul's Oratory.

West Wicklow Cancer Support:

Drop-in meeting on Thursday 26th January at 7.30pm in the Coimin Centre, Blessington. A safe place to meet, to talk and be supported during a cancer journey. All are welcome and feel free to bring a friend.

For an enjoyable night, come to the Willoughby Brothers in Concert

in *Germaines, Baltinglass* on Friday, 10th February @ 8p.m. Entrance fee: €20. Proceeds in aid of the Day Care Centre at Baltinglass Hospital. For tickets phone Ann on 087 61 56 993 or Sean on 087 24 08 367 or contact Baltinglass Hospital.

Knock Shrine Pilgrimage to New York

A special pilgrimage to New York from Knock will take place from 8th -14th May 2017. Flying directly from Ireland West Airport to JFK with Aer Lingus private charter, the pilgrimage offers the chance to be a part of a memorable and historic trip. The full itinerary includes a special Requiem Mass on Saturday 13th at Old St. Patrick's Cathedral for the re-interment of the remains of John Curry, the youngest of the Knock witnesses which will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Dolan. Contact the tour operators Joe Walsh Tours on (01) 241 0800.

Danny's Corner. The Hall Committee Kiltegan, are running a Table Quiz Fundraiser in aid of Baltinglass Hospital & The Lalor Centre on Friday, 3rd February.
Venue: St Peters Parish Centre, Kiltegan at 8p.m. €20 for a table of 4.

BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT

ACTIVE RETIRED. *Next Meeting:-*

Wednesday 25th January at 3p.m. in *Germaines*. New members always welcome.

Next Outing:- Saturday 4th February to Dundrum, Dublin – to attend a drama production called 'The Factory Girls'. Bus departs Weaver's Square at 10.30 am. Tickets €15. Coach fee extra. Details from Mary on 087-299-9571. *We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members a Happy New Year.*

Carlow College - St. Patrick's. Social Care Conference to celebrate 20 years of Social Care Education at Carlow College on Wednesday, 1st March, 2017. **Time:** 10a.m. - 4.30p.m. in Cobden Hall. All are welcome. Alumni & representatives from placement agencies are especially invited. For details, please contact Dr. Catherine O'Sullivan,

Pre-Marriage Course. Accord Carlow are taking bookings for the following courses - Jan. 27th & 28th, Feb. 10th & 11th, March 10th & 11th. Please phone Mary on 059 91 38 738.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - "Reform your lives! The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." Are you being called to proclaim the coming of the Kingdom as a Priest. Contact Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill on 045 89 74 70 or Email vocations@kandle.ie

This week is the week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme this year is "The Love of Christ Compels us to be reconciled". So we pray for unity among all Christians at this time.

St. Brigid's Crosses will be available after all Masses next weekend at a cost of €2. All money raised will go to the Peter McVerry Homeless Trust, so your support will be much appreciated.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers:
01, 22, 25, 28. No Jackpot winner.

This Week's Jackpot €11,100.

1 x Match 3 winner €300

John Coogan, Grange Con.

Next draw on Monday, 23rd January

@ 10p.m. in Germaines, Main Street.

Tickets €2.

Play online at www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers:

07, 10, 17, 18.

No Jackpot Winner.

This Week's Jackpot: €10,750.

6 Match 3 winners €45 each.

Lillian Steed, Lorraine Moore, Eddie Kelly,
Jim O'Neill, Ray Nolan & Anthony Donovan.

Sellers Prizes: €30 each.

Peter Keogh & O'Reillys.

Next Draw is in Stratford-Grange Con

Clubhouse on Monday the 23rd January @ 9p.m.

Play online at www.stratfordgrangeconga.ie

Weaver's Cottage Museum is nestled in the beautiful village of Clonegal just outside of Carlow. Beautifully restored to its original beauty it was once the home to local weavers, it now holds artefacts and local history of the Cottage Weaving Industry. Open Monday to Friday from 9.00am to 4p.m, Saturday & Sunday 12 to 4p.m. Why not pop by for a visit and step back in time.

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.

Rathvilly & Castledermot Flower & Garden Club

will meet in Teach Diarmada, Castledermot on Thursday 26th January at 7.30 p.m. We will start the year with a "Work Night" led by Marie O'Leary. Following that we will have our Club AGM.

Upcoming events in O'Toole Memorial Hall Rathdangan, Wicklow. Valentines

Teenage Disco Ball on February 10th. Formal dress or Valentine themed outfit. Fully supervised. 8p.m. - 11p.m. All proceeds will go to Sophia Counselling Centre, Highpark.

Limited amount of tickets. Cost: €10. **Adult Social Dance**. Saturday Feb. 11th. Music by Adrian Ryan. **Ramblers Seisun** on Friday 17th February. This year Rathdangan Drama Group will present "A wake in the west". A hilarious comedy. Tickets on sale shortly for the following dates 24th, 25th, 26th, & 31st March and 1st & 2nd April. For info on above or if you would like to make an enquiry about booking the hall for an event / class, phone Tess on 087 61 73 879 or Angela on 087 64 40 751.

The Village Pantry opening hours 9.30-1p.m.

Split the Pot Results.

1st Prize: Clare Walsh

2nd Prize: Ann Dunne.

3rd Prize: Michelle Birmingham.

Congratulations to all the winners.

Baltinglass Further Education & Training Centre. ESOL

- Do you know someone who would like to improve their English language skills? Class on Wednesday evenings - starting end of January. English for speakers of other languages. **CV Preparation & Interview Skills** -

Short 15 hour morning course Jan/Feb.

Art Classes starting in February.

Beginners improvers Computers - day/evenings. Our classes are free of charge, friendly and flexible. Small groups make learning a better experience. For details please contact Annette or Maeve on 086 84 62 771 or 059 64 82 642.



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Sunday 22nd January, 2017

May the God of Surprises Delight You.

May the God of Surprises delight you, inviting you to accept gifts not yet imagined.

May the God of Transformation call you, opening you to continual renewal.

May the God of Justice confront you, daring you to see the world through God's Eyes.

May the God of Abundance affirm you, nudging you towards deeper trust.

May the God of Embrace hold you, encircling you in the hearth of God's home.

May the God of Hopefulness bless you, encouraging you with the fruits of faith.

May the God of Welcoming invite you, drawing you nearer to the fullness of God's expression in you.

May God who is present be with you, awakening you to God in all things, all people, and all moments.

May God be with you.

Baptisms in Baltinglass Church in 2017.

Sunday, 5th February @ 11.45a.m.

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