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Anniversary Masses:

This weekend:

Baltinglass: 7.30pm:

Anniversaries:

*Esther Curry, 18 Parkmore
Jack, Elish & John Kilcoyne, Baltinglass
Peter & Mary Nolan & their daughter
Kathleen, Weaver Square
William Crampton, Parkmore & late of
New Ross
Ambrose O'Neill, Tuckmill
Christy Kehoe, Irongrange
Paddy Kehoe, Rathgar, Dublin
Paddy Murphy, Seskin, Donard
Jim Kelly, Dublin & late of the Green
Lane
Tommie Dooley, Chapel Hill
John Kenny, Shroughaun
William Sutton, Belan Street
Declan Howe, Johnstown, Naas
Barbie Borza, Edward Street
Dylan Keogh, Clough
Denis Murphy, Knockroe, Castledermot
Annie & Joseph O'Neill, Upper Tinoran
Edward & Margaret Byrne, Carrigeen*
Stratford: 6pm: (Sat)
Grangecon: 9.30am:
*Jack Keogh, Winetavern
Mary Browne, Fryanstown*

Weekend Mass Times

Stratford: Saturday 6pm
Baltinglass: Saturday 7.30pm
Sunday 11am
Grangecon: Sunday 9.30am
Weekday Mass Times
**Daily 10am: St. Paul's Oratory,
The Parish Centre, Baltinglass.**
**Confessions in St. Joseph's
Church after 10am**
Saturday Mass.

**Catholic Schools Week takes place from
31st January till the 6th February 2010.**

We pray for
William Carton, Sherrif's Hill, Moone
& Casey Duggan Furlong, Late of
Carlow & Rathdangan
Who died recently.
May they rest in peace.
Amen



Carlow Regional Pioneer Meeting
In the Parish Centre on **Frid. 12th Feb.** 2010
after 7.30pm Mass in St Paul's Oratory.
Refreshments will be served after the Meet-
ing. All young people or anyone requiring a
silver or gold pioneer pin contact **Mick
Kehoe urgently on 087/ 2875011**

The folk group will participate at the 11am
Mass in Baltinglass on Sun. 24th Jan.2010.

Sunday 31st January 2010

Stratford: 6pm (Sat)
Baltinglass: 7.30pm (Sat)
11am (Sun)
Grangecon 9.30am (Sun)

Readers:

Jim Fanning
Francis Balfe
Nancy Hughes
Fergus Moore



Eucharistic Ministers

Carmel Doyle
Maria Kinsella/Phil O'Connor
Margaret Brennan/Bernie Kilcoyne
Marguerite Salmon



Parish Notice

On Tuesday night an earthquake struck Haiti killing many thousands. In calling on "the generosity of all people", Pope Benedict XVI stated that "the Catholic Church will not fail to move immediately, through her charitable institutions, to meet the most immediate needs of the population". Trócaire is the official overseas development agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland and they have launched an appeal to help the people of Haiti. To donate, please call 1850 408 408/ 0800 912 1200 or log on to www.trocaire.org

There are further details on the diocesan website www.kandle.ie about the statements from Pope Benedict and Cardinal Brady and how Trócaire are positioned to help in Haiti through their membership of the CARITAS organisation – the umbrella body of the Church's national development agencies around the world. Trócaire (in effect CARITAS Ireland) will channel the money to CARITAS HAITI <http://www.kandle.ie/2010/01/15/haiti-earthquake/>

Donations to Haiti can also be left into Baltinglass Parish Office or into the Priest's Houses.

Fundraising Night for Haiti.

At the Judge's Inn on Sat. the 30th Jan. Music by Niall McCarney. Auction on the night for a signed Wicklow Jersey etc. Your support would be appreciated.

Tearmann Community Garden

If you would like to play your part in growing food locally, halting climate change, preserving our planet and having a healthy local environment you are invited to a meeting in the Parish Centre on Tuesday 26th January @ 4pm. The aim of the meeting is to help us review the Community Garden & plan for a more comprehensive involvement in 2010. The meeting will be facilitated by Sue Mullen, Trinity College, Dublin. 'Think globally. Act locally'.

The Baltinglass Scouts Troup

Went down on Sunday to help clean up local businesses after the flood at the weekend. The Children did a brilliant job and very well done to them. Thanks also to Quinns Superstore for donating face masks for the Children & also to Gillespies for allowing them to use two of their trollies.

The next date for cleaning St. Joseph's Church is on Friday 29th January 2010.

Day of Healing.

In Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert on **Sat. 30th Jan. 2010.** Bus departs the Square, Baltinglass @ **7.30a.m.** via Tullow & Carlow. Bring a packed lunch.
059/ 9151245 or 059/ 9151120 for booking.

DID YOU LEAVE SCHOOL EARLY?
Would you like to learn about digital photography/literacy? Introduction Course on Digital Photography/Literacy will be held in Baltinglass Adult Learning Centre on Monday Feb. 1st from 9.30-11.30am & lasts for 7 weeks. Have fun and learn at your own pace in a small group: Look at the best ways to take photographs. Go out and take photos around this area. Learn how to download and store photos. Create your own album. Contact: Annette Mangan or Maeve Hennessy at Baltinglass Adult Learning Centre at the rear of Scoil Chonglais, Baltinglass.

A Mission will take place in the Parish starting on April 17th 2010 and will be given by the Ceilí Community.

Baltinglass GAA Club

Last Weeks Winning
Numbers: 02, 09, 11, 29



Jackpot winner: No Winner.

This week's Jackpot •**10,900**

Match three winners •150 each.

Patsy Doody, Clough & Maggie
Kinsella, Deerpark.

Tickets •2 each.

**Next draw in Timmin's Pub on
Monday 25th January 2010.**

Play online www.localotto.ie

Evening Classes

Scoil Chonglais, Baltinglass,

Co Wicklow. Art, Beauty Therapy, Computers, Pilates, Digital Photography, Circuit Training – Boot Camp, Flower Arranging, Aerobics, & Interior Design. Classes run one night per week – every Monday from 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm, for 8 weeks. Each course has a fee of •80. Classes commence Monday, Feb. 1st. Circuit Training – Boot Camp & Aerobics classes will run for one hour per week, for eight weeks. The fee for this course is •40. **Enrolment Dates:** Monday 25th, Tues. 26th Jan. **Time:** 7.30 - 8.30 p.m.

Classes begin: Monday, Feb. 1st.

Contact: Mr. Stephen Gammell.

E-mail eveningclasses@baltinglass.org
Tel: 059 648 1449

Rathdangan Drama Group

Providing an evening of Drama & Entertainment in Rathdangan Hall on the 11th & 12th Feb. 2010. Starts @ 8pm.
More details to follow.

Arthritis Ireland

To find out more about a course called - Living Well with Arthritis and how it will help you, contact Arthritis Ireland, 1 Clanwilliam Sq., Grand Canal Quay, Dublin 2. 01 6618188 or www.arthritisireland.ie

Tullow Rugby Club

Are having a Fundraiser on Fri. 29th Jan. @ 7pm at the Blackgates for Saplings School in Carlow.

All Proceeds on the Night go to this worthy charity. Tullow Rugby Club U12s V Carlow Rugby Club U12s. Tullow Rugby Club U9s V Carlow Rugby Club U9s.

Tullow Rugby Club open their new dressing rooms on the night & will have some Leinster rugby players in attendance on the evening. A draw will be held in the club house after with some excellent prizes to be won. All are welcome on the night. On Frid. the 5th February @ 8pm we are having the legendary George Hook, Bernard Jackman & Sean O'Brien for a fun Rugby evening, with dinner being served @ 8.30pm at the Tara Arms Tullow. Tickets •40. Contact Denis on 087 7711855 or make your own booking in the Tara Arms. P. J. Haskins. President Tullow R.F.C. 087 6867895

Stratford/Grangecon

Community Employment Scheme
Have positions available. Including childcare position. Usual eligibility applies. Contact Tom Whittle on 087 9227051 or email stratfordce@gmail.com.

Rathvilly Garden & Flower Club.
Meet on Wednesday 27th January 2010 at 8pm in St Patrick's Sport's and Community Centre Rathvilly. It will be the AGM and there will be a Demonstration - "Preparing for Spring" by Marie O'Leary an AOIFE Teacher. All are welcome.

NEWSLETTER

Items of information for the newsletter may be phoned, faxed or emailed to the Parish Office on (059/ 6481254) Fax: 059/ 6451529
admin@baltinglassparish.ie

before 12 noon on Thursdays

OPENING HOURS

Monday - Friday 9.30am - 1.00pm
1.30pm - 2.30pm

Baltinglass Grangecon Stratford & Bigstone Newsletter

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

24th January 2010

'You together are Christ's Body but each of you is a different part of it'.

My little niece Emma (6) drew a huge butterfly for me the other day. I put it up on the door and every time I look at it I smile - the colour, the detail, the happiness and joy expressed...

'You together are Christ's Body'.

Take a few moments to ponder over this. There is only One Body and every human being past, present and future are part of it. I need to realise we are all equal in this Body. I am no less or no greater than any other human being - nor must I judge anyone else. No person was born evil.

'You together are Christ's Body but each of you is a different part of it.' Each person is unique and each person is a whole unit of mind, body and spirit. I am One and yet I am part of the One Christ. The good news is that we are all saved through Christ and it really doesn't matter what we are like!

All I want is for my heart to be filled with love, towards myself and towards others. I want to bring this love wherever I go each day.

The funniest part of Emma's picture was the caterpillar with all it's feet which made me think of my own ongoing struggle - being changed from a caterpillar into a butterfly. A.S

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2010.

BAPTISMS:

St Joseph's Church, Baltinglass:

Sunday the 7th February @ 11.45am. & Sunday the 7th March @ 11.45am.

Confirmation in St Joseph's Church Baltinglass takes place on Sunday 18th April @ 12.30pm.

First Holy Communion:

Stratford: Sunday 25th April @ 11am

Baltinglass: Sunday 9th May @ 12.30pm

Grange Con: Sunday 16th May @ 11am.

