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Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona Kavanagh & Ann Leigh.

Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th February.

Minsters of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Francis Balfe / Yvonne Balfe
 11a.m. (Sun) Chris Murray / Janet Gorman
Grange Con : 9.30a.m. (Sun) Anne Whelan



Minsters of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Patricia Carwood / Rena O'Toole
 Mary Leigh
 11a.m. (Sun.) Mona Nolan / Maureen Plant
 Kieran Cogan
Grange Con: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Mary Cronin



This weekend: Baltinglass 6p.m.

Anniversaries:

Carmel Scanlon, Shroughaun
 Chris Keogh, Irongrange
 Seán Murphy, Baltinglass
 William Crampton, Parkmore
 P.J. Nolan, Rathtoole
 Peter & Mary Nolan, Weaver Square & their
 daughters Kathleen & Elizabeth
 Richard Giblin, Glencannon
 Moira Hargaden (née) Quinn, Carlow
 Jimmy & Ena Doyle, Parkmore
 Andrew Doyle, Barronstown
 Thomas Donegan, Kilmurry
Stratford: Sun. 9.30a.m.
 Joe Burke, Stratford
 Francis McCabe, Stratford
 Joe Moore, Winetavern
 Thomas Moore, Winetavern & London



Weekend Mass Times.

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

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

Stratford & Grange Con

Mass in Grange Con 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.**

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

"God chose the foolish of the world to shame
 the wise, and God chose the weak of the world
 to shame the strong." God doesn't call the qual-
 ified, He qualifies the called. Could He be call-
 ing you? Contact: Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill on
 045 89 74 70 or Email vocations@kandle.ie

St. Brigid's Crosses will be available after
all Masses this weekend at a cost of €2.

All money raised will go to the Peter McVerry
 Homeless Trust, so your support will be very
 much appreciated.

**We welcome into our Christian
 Community through the
 Sacrament of Baptism,
 during the month of
 December, 2016.**

- ◆ Micheál Aidan McCann
- ◆ Jack Michael Nolan
- ◆ Cormac Michael Fanning.



BAPTISM

**Adoration in Grange Con Church
 every Sunday from 3p.m. - 4p.m.
 with Rosary.**

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

Collectors - Baltinglass Church in February

Saturdays @ 6p.m. Mass:

Main Aisle: Matt O'Brien / Pat Dunne

Convent Aisle: Seamie Leigh /

Lalor Aisle: Joey Fagan

Sunday @ 11a.m. Mass:

Main Aisle: Kevin Kearney / Kevin O'Neill

Convent Aisle: Thomas Burke

Lalor Aisle: Therese Kelly

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.mcmedia.tv or just
mcmedia.tv (upper or lower case it doesn't
 matter). If someone is housebound, family mem-
 bers may like to set them up. Camera 1 is Parish
 Church & Camera 2 is St. Paul's Oratory.

The Priory Institute. With the Priory Institute
 you can study from the comfort of your own home at
 your own pace and build modules towards a
 Bachelor of Arts Degree in Theology. Application
 deadline is 28th February, 2017. **Secure your place
 by registering today! Phone:** 01 404 8124.
Email: enquiries@prioryinstitute.com.

Pre-Marriage Course. Accord Carlow are
 taking bookings for the following courses - Jan.
 27th & 28th, Feb. 10th & 11th, March 10th & 11th.
 & can be made online at www.accord.ie For
 details please phone Mary on 059 91 38 738.

The Willoughby Brothers in Concert in
Germaine's, Baltinglass - 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 Seán on
 087 24 08 367 or contact Baltinglass Hospital.

Sing along in The Tea Room, Main Street,
 Baltinglass on Tuesday, 31st January, 2017. If
 you have a musical instrument bring it along.

Aspiro - Ireland's leading choir for children are
 recruiting new members. Phone 085 74 51 111.

Clonfert: Day of prayer for healing.

on Saturday, 4th February. *The Speakers are
 Eddie Stone & Fr. Michael Kennedy.* Bus
 leaving Tullow Car Park @ 8a.m. sharp via
 Baltinglass @ 7.30a.m. Please bring a packed
 lunch. From here on, this day of prayer and
 healing will take place on the first Saturday of the
 month. For further details please phone Lily on
 059 91 51 245 or 087 22 45 193.

Divine Mercy Apostolate.

Service for
 Healing of the Generations (Family Tree Mass).
Venue: St. Brigid's Church, Coon, Co. Kilkenny.
1. Led by Fr John Delaney & Team. Date: Wed.
 15th Feb. **2.** Led by Fr. John Walsh, P.P.
 Limerick. **Date:** Friday, 10th Feb. Commences
 with Adoration at 6.30p.m. Holy Mass at 7.30p.m.
 Concluding with Solemn Benediction.

Your Next Blood Donation Clinic:

Venue: Germaines' Hotel, Baltinglass.

Date: Monday, 30th January, 2017.

Time: 4.30p.m. - 8p.m. Giveblood.ie

You get more than you give.

LoCall 1850 731 137.

Baltinglass Further Education & Training Centre.

Places available in the following
 classes: **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** -
 Improve your chances for employment:- Short 15
 hour morning course Jan/Feb. **Art Classes** start-
 ing in February. **Beginners improvers Computers**
 day/evenings. Our classes are free of charge,
 friendly and flexible. Small groups make learning
 a better experience. Take time out for yourself.
 For details please contact Annette or Maeve on
 086 84 62 771 or 059 64 82 642.

O'Toole Memorial Hall, Rathdangan.

Adult social Dance: Saturday, February 11th.
 Music by Adrian Ryan. **First Ramblers Seisun**
 of 2017 on Friday, 17th February.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers: 01, 10, 11, 12.
No Jackpot winner. This Week's Jackpot €11,300.
Match 3 winners €40 each. John Fleming, Jim Sheerin, B. O'Neill, The Burke Family, Tuckmill, B. & S. Connolly, Carrigeen, Seán Doyle, Rathcoole, Ned Kehoe & Ciaran Mulally. **Next draw on Monday, 30th January @ 10p.m.** in Timmins Pub, Weaver Square. Play online at www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers: 06, 11, 18, 19.

A big congratulations to the Jackpot

Winner: Breeda Whelan.

This Week's Jackpot: €6,000. **Match 3 winners** €35 each. Eamon Byrne, Colm & Raymond O'Keeffe, Brendan Byrne, Seán Curry, Michelle Dunne, Seán O'Keeffe, Brian Nolan & Colette Murphy. **Sellers Prizes:** €30 each. Annette Mangan & Catherine Dillon. **Next Draw** is in Stratford-Grange Con Clubhouse on Monday, 30th January @ 9p.m. Play online at www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie

Split the Pot Results.

1st Prize: Paddy Simpson. **2nd Prize:** Catherine Pellegrini. **3rd Prize:** Francie Doyle.

Baltinglass Credit Union - Have you joined yet? Have you barely recovered from your Christmas spending spree... do you want to get into a routine for saving?? Join Baltinglass Credit Union and we can help you build up those savings for a rainy day. We have 6 offices, online access, Free Savings Insurance, Free Loan Protection Insurance, Debit Card Facility & more. Please contact 059 64 81 071 or email info@baltinglasscu.ie

New RAD Ballet Classes starting on Wednesday **15th February** in the Parish Centre.
Tiny Tots (3 - 4.5yrs) 2.30p.m. - 3p.m.
Junior Infants (4.5 - 6yrs) 3p.m. - 3.30p.m.
(7yrs+) 3.30p.m. - 4.15p.m.
Call Ruth 086-4062618 to book a place.

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.

Bigstone Community Centre. A Recycling Clothing Collection will take place in Bigstone Hall on Friday 10th & Saturday 11th February in aid of Bigstone Community Centre. We are asking you to donate clean unwanted clothes, bed linen, towels & shoes (in pairs) please. (No duvets or pillows). This collection will aid Bigstone Community Centre & The National Council for the Blind. For details, please contact Mary Hanlon or Mary Burke.

Baltinglass & District Active Retired. At our January meeting, pupils from Scoil Naomh Iosaf presented the project they had recently entered in the RDS Primary School Science Fair.

Their research question was "Does Regular Exercise Contribute to a Healthier and Happier Child". Evidence of their training programme was presented by each student, & colourfully displayed. Graphs demonstrated scientifically how individual participant's stamina was built up & monitored, using Beep Test Scores. Happiness scores were measured using documented evidence from participating students. Their positive findings were appreciatively received by a very receptive audience. We wish them, and their Teachers, continued success in the future.

General Notices:- Coffee Mornings for

February:- Community Tea Rooms, Friday mornings at 11a.m. **Bowling:** Tuesdays at the changed time of 3p.m. - 5p.m in Fatima Hall. New members welcome. **Upcoming Outings:** **Saturday 4th February to Dundrum,** Dublin to see the drama 'The Factory Girls'. Tickets €15. Coach fee extra. Bus departs Weaver's Square at 10.30am. Details from Mary on 087-299-9571.

Thursday 16th February: Trip to central Dublin to visit EPIC Ireland - a fully interactive museum, featuring the story of Irish emigration over the centuries. Tickets €12. Coach fee extra. Further details from Mary on 087-299-9571.

Membership fee of €15 is due for collection at the next meeting on 22nd February.
New members are always welcome.

Maths Grinds to all levels from a very experienced Maths Teacher. Please phone 086 31 12 843.



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Sunday 29th January, 2017

This week - January, 29th to February 4th
is Catholic schools Week.

The theme this year is: "Catholic Schools:
Learning with Pope Francis to care for our common home."

This is a challenge to all of us, as we are being called to care for our world and to care for each other. For Pope Francis, a good education begins in the home. It is within our families that we learn to respect human life and the world. Our catholic schools play an essential role in shaping the future of our planet by working together to care for our common home. Our World is a gift from God and we are called to act as both stewards and protectors during our time here. It is our responsibility to care for our world and make it a better place for the next generation.

Loving God, we thank you for the wonderful gift of our home.
As spring begins, help us see the beauty awakening all around us.

Help us to love and care for the earth and share it with all who live here.

Help us be guided by Pope Francis, our teachers and families

Baptisms in Baltinglass Church in 2017.

Sunday, 5th February @ 11.45a.m.
Sunday, 5th March @ 11.45 a.m.



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