

Baltinglass GAA Club.

Last Weeks Winning
Numbers: 02, 05, 26, 29.



Jackpot winner: No Winner.

This Week's Jackpot €8,600.

Match three winners: €300 each.

Mrs. Brid Murphy, Bawnogues, Baltinglass.

Next Draw on Monday, 4th April, in

Horans' Pub, Main Street. Tickets €2.

Play online www.localotto.ie

Baltinglass Gaa

Are holding a Mega Fashion Show on April 16th in Germanes. Doors open @ 7.30pm. Tickets on sale in Pattersons, Quinns' upstairs & Germanes & also from the Ladies Committee. Prize for Best Dressed Lady on the night.

Stratford/Grangecon

GAA Lotto Results.

Last Weeks Winning
Numbers: 03, 15, 17, 29.



Jackpot winner: No Winner.

This Week's Jackpot €4,250.

Match three winners: €30each.

Treasa & Stephen Donoghue, Triona Quinn, Barry McGrane, Megan Allen, & Pat Ryan.
Next draw in Kavanagh's Pub, Grangecon on Monday the 4th of April.

Seller's Prize: Russell O'Halloran.

Play online www.localotto.ie

Rathdangan Drama Group

Presents "The Maiden Aunt", by Jimmy Keary, in O'Toole Memorial Hall, Rathdangan on Wed. 13th, Thurs. 14th & Fri. 15th of April 2011 @ 8pm. Directed by John Ros-siter. Adm. by ticket only. €10 for adults & children free with ticket. Phone Annie on 086 8632098

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Easter Revision Courses: 18th—22nd April. Spaces are filling up fast so book now. www.leinsterseniocollege.ie

A brand new series of the historical

Crime Docudrama, Ceart agus Coir

Will be screened on TG4 on **Tuesday, April 5th @ 10pm.** The **final episode** in the series (**May 10th**) features an historical murder that happened in **Baltinglass, Co. Wicklow** in January 1924. **Midas Productions** filmed a re-enactment of the murder of Garda Patrick O'Halloran by Felix McMullen in the exact same spot on the bridge on the Main Street in the town in January this year. A number of locals from **Baltinglass** contributed to the programme including, **local historian, Paul Gorry** and **Tommy O'Connor** who was only a young child at the time of the horrific killing.

Birds, Poultry & Small Animal Auction.

(Canaries, Finches, Parakettes, Poultry, Pigeons etc.) at the Hacketstown Town Hall on 10th April 2011 and every second Sunday of the month thereafter. Please contact Tom on 086 8735092 for details. Tea & Refreshments available.

Organ Donor Awareness Week.

2nd - 9th April. Horans' are holding a Table Quiz in aid of the Irish Kidney Association on Friday 8th April @ 8pm. Table of 4 is €20. Prizes to be won in the raffle. Come along & have a great night & support a great cause.

Baltinglass Amateur Dramatics.

BAD are up and running for 2011 & are open for new members. The next meeting will be held on the 6th of April in Horans' Lounge. People interested in becoming involved are welcome to attend. Alternatively interested people can contact the group Chairperson Janet Gorman on 059-6481740.

Dancing for pleasure

In O' Toole Memorial Hall, Rathdangan on the 9th April 2011. **Time:** 9:30am to 12:00am.

Music by Tony Davitt.

NEWSLETTER.

Items for inclusion in the newsletter must be received in the Parish Office by

12 NOON ON THURSDAYS.

Please include your name & contact details.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Monday to Friday:

9.30am — 1pm & 1.30pm—2.30pm.

Newsletter



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

4th Sunday of Lent.

3rd April 2011.

"God does not see as man sees; Man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart". 1st Reading.

Parents are the first educators of their children and as we know most of the learning is done in the early years of life. The word "educate" means to draw forth that which is within.

"God does not see as man sees: Man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart", So often emphasis is put on one's appearance, you know, the make up, the hair, the style, how a person presents himself or herself and yes, we can be judged on this. However, the Lord looks at the heart. The heart is not the physical heart but is the 'being' of the person—the place of their unique identity which is all goodness.

Today's Gospel tells the story of the blind beggar who was healed by Jesus. This is a Resurrection Story. The beggar's eyes were opened as he 'died' to his small self and began to live from his Higher self or 'being.' This happened on the Sabbath day which is a day set aside for wholeness, healing and renewal for us all.

We too can seek transformation like the blind man. The Pharisees believed he was 'a sinner through and through' since he was born, so they drove him away. We too may be rejected like the blind man or we may reject others. May we see beyond appearances and may we believe in people and our children just as the blind man came to believe in Jesus. Lord I believe, help my unbelief. A.S.

During Lent.

Mass at 10.00am in St. Paul's Oratory Monday to Friday. *Extra Mass on Fridays of Lent at 7.30am in St. Paul's Oratory. Mondays and Wednesdays of Lent at 7.30am—Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion in St. Paul's Oratory.*

Dates for your Diary.

First Confession.

Stratford: Tuesday 5th April @ 7pm.

First Holy Communion.

Stratford: Saturday 7th May @ 11am, Grangecon: Sunday 8th May @ 9.30am & Baltinglass Sunday 15th May @ 11am.

Confirmation.

Stratford: Sunday 15th May @ 9.30am, **Grangecon** Sunday 22nd May @ 9.30am & Baltinglass Sunday May 22nd @ 12.30pm.

Baltinglass & Bigstone: Sunday 22nd May @ 12.30pm.

Parish Team

Fr. Tommy Dillon 059 - 648 2768. Srs. Brigid & Carmel 059 - 648 1561 Parish Office 059 - 648 1254
Fax 059 6481529—Email: admin@baltinglassparish.ie

Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - 9th & 10th April.

Ministers of the Word:

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

Eucharistic Ministers:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Clare O'Neill/Theresa McDermott/Maria Kinsella
11am: (Sun.) Mona Nolan/Ann Lee
Grangecon: 9.30am(Sun) Mary O'Riordan



**This Weekend:
Baltinglass: 6pm
Anniversaries:**

William & Molly Whyte
Kassie Kehoe, Goldenfort
Thomas & Katie Hegarty, Parkmore
Jack Byrne, Main St.
Jim Hughes, Parkmore
Kieran Stephenson, Wolver Hampton
Michael Nolan, Bawnogues
Bridget Dawson, Tuckmill
Una Byrne, Tuckmill
Rose & William Lennon, Kilmurray
John (Jack) Flynn, Donard



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

Mass in St. Paul's Oratory

On Thursday, 14th April @ 7.30pm. The Commissioning of our new Eucharistic Ministers will take place at the Mass & also re commissioning of all

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY.

Wishing all Mothers a great day on Sunday. Hope all the cooking is done by someone

Baltinglass Day Care Centre Committee

The next meeting will take place in the Day Care Centre on 6th April @ 8.30pm.

REMINDER.

This year's collection for the centre will be held on the 15th, 16th & 17th April in the Baltinglass area. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

LOST—Laser Level in a Blue Box.

On the road from Grangecon Church to Baltinglass on Tuesday 29th March in the afternoon. If found please contact John on 087 9882550.

We Pray for
Patrick (Paddy) Dunne,
Baltinglass &
Adrian Hewitt, Rathvilly
Whose funerals took place in
Baltinglass during the week.
May they rest in peace.



Danny's Corner.

All of us here at the Lalor Centre would like to thank the students who have been here with us on work experience. They have been a great help with all the work and we hope they have benefited as much from us as we have from them. We would like to ask if there are people interested in helping out at Horse Riding & other activities at the Lalor Centre. If interested contact the Lalor centre on 059 6481107 or 059 6481711. All Volunteers are much appreciated.

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

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

Please note that this envelope is in your Box of Envelopes now & can be dropped into the collecting bags when you wish. Spare Envelopes available at the back of the Church.

Parish Pastoral Council.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday the 7th April @ 8pm in the Parish Centre.

REMINDER

Monday 4th April: 2nd night of Confirmation programme @ 8pm in the Parish Centre.
First Confession. Stratford:
Tuesday 5th April @ 7pm.

Trócaire Parish Group.

A new initiative of building stronger links with Trócaire & Parish life has been established in the Diocese. To this end a local Trócaire Parish group is being established. We are looking for people to join this group which would be a sub group of the Parish Pastoral Council. The functions of this group would be the link between Trócaire & the Parish Community, assist with the Lenten & the global Christmas gift campaigns or other campaigns as they may arise & advance projects in the Parish & the local Schools. If you feel that you would like to be involved in this group or to find out more information please contact the Parish Office.

Upcoming Workshops- Mount St. Anne's Retreat Centre, Killenard, Portarlington.

Palm Sunday Afternoon, Sunday 17th April, 2011. 3pm-6pm. An afternoon of prayer & reflection in preparation for Holy Week & Easter. Presented by the Mount St. Anne's Team. No charge - donations welcome. Enquiries to The Secretary: 057-8626153 or email: msannes@eircom.net

Grangecon Tidy Town.

A.G.M. in Moore's Lounge on 13th April @ 8.30pm. New members welcome.

Collectors in Baltinglass for April 2011:

Saturday 6pm.
Main Aisle: Noel Kennedy / Pat Gahan
Convent Aisle: Seamie Leigh
Lalor Aisle: Gus Kinsella
Sunday 11am.
Main Aisle: Bobby Lennon / Donal Kavanagh
Convent Aisle: Kevin Kelly
Lalor Aisle: Joe Kinsella

Bigstone Dancers.

Would like to thank everyone for their support in last Sundays Dance Marathon. Just over €1,000 was raised. The funds will be donated to Baltinglass Hospital.

Tour to Manchester.

From the 10th to the 16th July.

Tour to Sligo.

From the 7th to the 12th August. For details on both tours contact Ger or Josie Duffy on 059 6471681 or 087 2543235.

Seniors' Annual Holiday.

Will be to Castletroy, Co. Limerick. Staying at the Carlton 4 Star Hotel. Depart on Sunday, 26th June & return on Thursday 30th June. B & B and Evening Dinner €395. To book phone Anne on 087 6156993 or 059 6473525. Deposit of €50 to be lodged into Baltinglass Credit Union Account 4230.

The AGM of West Wicklow Classic & Vintage Vehicle Club.

Tues. April 5th in Inisfáil, Baltinglass @ 8.00 PM. New members welcome & anybody with an interest in classic or vintage vehicles are welcome to come along without any obligation. Membership fees are now due for the current year. We would like to thank all our members, sponsors & supporters for their support over the past 12 months.
www.westwicklowclassics.com 087 68 63 602.

Baltinglass Youth Club

Present their Annual Talent show on April 7th & 8th in the Old Badminton Hall, Church Lane @ 7.30pm. Admission €5 for Adults & €2 for Children. Family concessions also.