

## Parish Team

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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - 12th & 13th February 2011.

### Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Helen Bourke  
11am (Sun) John Paul Kenny  
Grange Con: 9.30am (Sun) Mairead Fenlon



### Eucharistic Ministers:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Phil O'Connor/Mary Leigh/Michael Lennon  
11am (Sun) Sean Connolly/Margaret Brennan  
Grange Con: 9.30am (Sun) Kay Moore



### This Weekend:

**Baltinglass: 6pm**

**Months Mind Mass of**

Michael O'Neill, Glencannon

**Anniversaries:**

Larry O'Toole, Hartestown

Elizabeth Fleming, Shrughaun

Paddy Powell, Rathbran

Anthony Powell, Kilcullen

William & Maureen Doran, Mill St.

Mary & Michael Nolan, Lowtown

Margaret Byrne, Main Street

John Kehoe, Clough

Bridget Hayden, Raheen & all deceased members of the Hayden family

Betty Sutton, nee Hanrahan, formerly of Weaver Square

Nancy McDonald, nee Hanrahan, formerly Weaver Square

**Stratford: 9.30am (Sun)**

**Anniversaries:**

Joseph Burke, Stratford

Michael & Ann Nolan, Stratford

William Coleman, Castleruddery, Donard.

Paddy Powell, Rathbran

Anthony Powell, Kilcullen

Mary & Michael Nolan, Lowtown

Joe Moore, Winetavern.



### Weekend Mass Times

**Baltinglass: Saturday 6pm & Sunday 11am.**

**Confessions immediately after the 6pm Mass.**

**Stratford & Grange Con**

**Every Second Sunday @ 9.30am.**

### Weekday Mass Times

**Daily Mass at 10am in St. Paul's Oratory, the Parish Centre, Monday to Friday.**

### Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2011.

Baltinglass, Hacketstown & Rathvilly/Kiltegan Parishes. Pilgrimage Tour—29th August 2011 for 5 nights. Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner. €749.00. Free Travel Insurance up to age 85 years. Additional premium €25 for persons aged 86 to 94 years. Supplement: Single Room €175 (very restricted). Deposit €200 pp. Escorted by Fr. Tommy Dillon. To book please contact Elliot Travel, Baltinglass on 059 6481722.

### Welcoming the First Light of Spring

One Day Retreat at Slí an Chroí, Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow on Sunday, 20th February 2011. Time: 10am -5pm. Meditation, Chanting, Reflection & Tai Chi. Facilitators: Rosaleen Fadden & Deirdre Howard. For bookings and information phone 086 0789241 or Email: [info@ROSALEENFADDEN.COM](mailto:info@ROSALEENFADDEN.COM)

**The next date for cleaning Baltinglass Church is Friday the 11th February @ 10.30am.**

Newsletter now available on [www.baltinglassparish.ie](http://www.baltinglassparish.ie)

Diocesan web site: [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

### Collectors for Baltinglass for February:

**Saturday 6pm.**

**Main Aisle:** Pat Kearney & Jim Kearney

**Convent Aisle:** Paddy Rooney

**Lalor Aisle:** Charley Shortt

**Sunday 11am:**

**Main Aisles:** Seamus O'Reilly/ Brendan O'Neill

**Convent Aisle:** Eamonn Hanlon

**Lalor Aisle:** Simon Murphy.

We welcome into our Community through the Sacrament of Baptism during the month of January 2011.

Daniel Michael Kealy

Katie Margaret Kelly

Genevieve Anne O'Farrell



### Mount St. Anne's Retreat & Conference

**Centre.057 8626153.** We are holding a series

of 4 presentations on "Why Remain Catholic Today?" during Lent by well known speakers. Each presentation will be followed by an opportunity for conversation on the topic. There is no charge, donations welcome at your own discretion. You can attend as many of the presentations as you wish. From 7.30pm - 9.30pm each evening. Friday 11th March - Facilitated by Baroness Nuala O'Loan MEP. Tues. 22nd March - Facilitated by Bishop Willie Walsh. Tues. 5th April - Facilitated by Mr. Ned Prendergast, Director of Faith Development CEIST. Tuesday 12th April - Facilitated by Fr. Mark Hedderman OSB - Glenstall Abbey.

### West Wicklow Day Care Centre.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 9th February in the Day Care Centre @ 8.30pm. All welcome.

### Carlow Regional Pioneer Meeting

In the Parish Centre on Friday, 11th Feb. 2011 after 7.30pm Mass in St. Paul's Oratory. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. For information contact Mick Kehoe on 087/ 2875011.

### The Parish Pastoral Council

Next Meeting takes place on Thursday 10th February 2011 in the Parish Centre at 8pm.



### Pilgrimage to Fatima

On Monday 14th March for 4 Days, Fully Escorted tour. From €499. PAB Tours. For further information phone 01 873 3411.

### Vision Training, Drummond House, Pembroke, Carlow. Phone: 059 9142208

[www.visiontraining.ie](http://www.visiontraining.ie) Looking for a career in Elder/Childcare? FETAC Level 5 Courses running in February: Communications Module Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Safety & Health at work Module Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and March 04<sup>th</sup>. Care of the Older person Mid March, Dates TBC.

### Wicklow County Council Arts Office & Wicklow VEC

Are hoping to make an application to the U2 funded Music Generation Scheme which aims to develop music education opportunities for young people throughout Ireland. If you are involved in Music Education, or wish to make suggestions to them about local needs, please get in touch with them as they are compiling a database of music education provision in the county and are looking for suggestion for their submission which ultimately could be of benefit to you and the local communities.

Contact: [wao@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:wao@wicklowcoco.ie). 0404 20100

Conor O'Leary [info@artlands.ie](mailto:info@artlands.ie)

<http://www.artlands.ie> 087-9048095

Conor O'Leary is a level 2 awardee with Social Entrepreneurs Ireland and wishes to acknowledge their funding and support. Social Entrepreneurs Ireland invests in and supports people with innovative ideas for social change to turn them into a reality. <http://www.socialentrepreneurs.ie/>

### Danny's Corner.

The Lalor Centre Hip Hop Crew are busy practicing for the Kare's got Talent Competition.

### Baltinglass GAA Club.

Last Weeks Winning Numbers: **02, 09, 12, 17.**

**Jackpot winner:** No Winner.

**This Week's Jackpot** €7,100.

**Match three winners: €100 each.**

Michael O'Neill, 2 Ardglass, Ken Quirke & Ann Keogh, 2 Parkmore.

**Next draw** in Timmin's Pub, Weaver Square on Monday February 7th 2011.

Tickets €2.

Play on line [www.localotto.ie](http://www.localotto.ie)



### Stratford/Grange Con GAA Lotto Results.



Last Week's Numbers 19, 20, 23, 25.

There was no Jackpot winner. Jackpot this week €3,250. **1 Match 3 Winner:**

Ina O'Keeffe €150 - **Seller:** Hugh O'Keeffe. **Seller's Prize:** Maurice Mangan. **Next draw** Monday 7th February 2011 in Kavanagh's Pub, Grange Con. Thanks for your continued support. Tickets now on sale.

### Relaxation & Meditation Classes.

This 8 Week Class is designed to help you learn to relax your body & mind, learn how to de-stress, using gentle stretching exercises & guided meditation to bring you on a wonderful journey away from the stress & strains of everyday life. Places limited so book early to avoid disappointment. Course starts Tuesday 22nd Feb. @ 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, Baltinglass. Price €85 for 8 weeks. Phone Anita on 086 8125187.

### Rathvilly Ballet School.

New term starting now. Classes for Children. Catering for ages 4-6, 6-8 and 8-10. For further details, call Cecilia on 086 8215298 or log on to [www.rathvillyballet.net](http://www.rathvillyballet.net)

**We remember all who are sick in our Parish at this time. May God Bless them.**

### Baltinglass Youth Club

Are urgently seeking young male volunteers (Late Teens) to help out with sports etc. at Youth Club for two hours on Wednesday nights. No experience necessary as training will be given. Contact 085 8139803.

### Bird, Poultry and small animal

#### Auction

(Canaries, Parakeets, Finches, Poultry etc.) on Sunday 13th February 2011 and every second Sunday of the month at Hacketstown Community Hall. Please contact Tom on 086 8735092 for details.

### Scoil Chonglais - Class of 1973 to 1978

#### School Reunion

At Scoil Chonglais, Baltinglass, on Sat. 5th March 2011 @ 8pm. We are holding a School reunion for those who started in Baltinglass Vocational School in the September 1973. Invitations will issue shortly. We will also be asking for you to lend us school photos or photos of yourself from the seventies era. Please drop any photos in to Cora or Christine at Murphy Sheerin Veterinary Practice, Baltinglass. Write your name on the back and we will keep them safe for you. This is sure to be a great night. It will be wonderful to catch up and have a bit of fun so we really hope we will see you all there.

Cora Shortt, 087 690 7364 - email: [corashortt@eircom.net](mailto:corashortt@eircom.net) or Christine Lennon 087 970 3923, Marina Timmins on 086 190 7397 - [oufie@eircom.net](mailto:oufie@eircom.net) or Cora Crampton on 087 239 3320 - [coracrampton@eircom.net](mailto:coracrampton@eircom.net) or

### Dancing for pleasure

In O'Toole Memorial Hall, Rathdangan. Sat 12th Feb 2011 from 9:30pm to 12:00am. Music by Derek McEvoy Band.

### NEWSLETTER.

Items for inclusion in the newsletter must be received **BEFORE 12 NOON ON THURSDAYS.** Items may be phoned, faxed or emailed to the Parish Office.

Please include your name & contact details.

**The Parish Office Opening hours are:**

**Monday to Friday:  
9.30am — 1pm & 1.30pm - 2.30pm.**

### *Newsletter*



## *Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon*

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

6th February 2011.

*"Your light must shine in the sight of people"  
Today's Gospel.*

All of us have childhood memories and it is good to share these memories with others or with maybe one or two people we trust totally—memories of growing up in our communities and so on. So much emphasis can be placed on achievements such as academics, sporting, musical or whatever.

Today's gospel tells us "your light must shine in the sight of people". **Yes we are meant to develop all our talents and gifts and to realise our potential. More important than any of our academic abilities are the fruits of the spirit—the qualities we get no marks or certificates for—beautiful qualities of light that there are no exams or qualifications for - Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness ...It is so important to reflect back to others the beautiful qualities we see in them.**

We are all called to be disciples of Christ—no exams or marks necessary. He said "Let the children come to me". There is an inner child in every person full of spontaneity, wonder, freedom, trust. We need to build up a community of love, a country of love, helping and supporting and encouraging one another rather than competing with others.

**Knowing our own weakness we can empathise with others and so reach out to them just as St. Paul did. He said "I come among you in great fear and trembling not depending on human philosophy but on the power of God". Your light must shine in the sight of people.**

Help me Lord to let go of the "fear and trembling". A.S.

### Baptisms in St. Joseph's Church, Baltinglass 2011.

Sunday 6th February @ 11.45, Sunday 6th March @ 11.45, Sunday 3rd April @ 11.45 & Sunday 1st May @ 11.45.

