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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th May.

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Mary Hayes
11a.m. (Sun) Michael Cogan / Catherine Burke
Stratford: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Mary Whittle



Ministers of the Eucharist:

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



This weekend: Baltinglass 6p.m.

Months Mind Mass

Margaret (Peggy) Flynn (née Byrne), Carrigeen
& Leanmore, Blueball, Ballycumber
Joan Moore, Moneymore

Anniversaries

Josephine McDonnell, Parkmore
James Gethings, Parkmore
Mary Coogan, Knockfield
John Connolly, Carrigeen
Johnny & Julia Dunne, Tinoran
Jimmy Dunne, Hughestown
Sheila Ward, Prosperous Village
Helen & John O'Neill, 2, Shroughaun
Ina & Patsy Burke, Belan Street
Mary Burke, Tuckmill
Seán Burke, Stratford & all the deceased members of the Burke family.

Joseph, Sheila & Willie Doyle
Kathleen Whelan, Holdenstown & Castleknock
Ann O'Reilly, Woodfield

Grange Con: 9.30a.m. (Sun)

Kathleen Whelan, Baltinglass & Castleknock
Brendan Harte, Barronstown
Nigel Kehoe, Barronstown, Grange Con
Lily Goldsmith (née Kehoe)

6th Sunday of Easter. "Those who love Me will keep my Word". Is your love for the Lord leading you to grow in holiness as a priest? Call Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill on 045 89 74 70 or Email vocations@kandle.ie

Weekend Mass Times.

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

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

Stratford & Grange Con :

**Stratford next Sunday @ 9.30a.m.
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.**

Pre-Marriage Courses

Accord Carlow are currently taking
booking for the Autumn Courses -
**September 8th & 9th,
October 13th & 14th,
November 17th & 18th.**

**There will be no courses in July and
August.** If you are getting married in the
Catholic Church, you are required to
attend a Pre-Marriage Course
& should book a place on one of the
above Courses now. Booking
on www.accord.ie or phone Mary
at 059 9138738 for further information.

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

Graiguercullen / Killeslin Solemn

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
in St. Clare's Church, Graiguercullen on
Monday nights from 24th April - 19th
June at 7.30p.m. Rosary at 7.10p.m.
Monday, 22nd May - Speaker is Sean
Mullan - Third Space, a social enterprise
in Dublin City. People are invited to
place their petitions in the boxes provided
in St. Clare's Church and Holy Cross
Church. Singing will be led by Fr. Liam
Lawton, accompanied by the Poor Clare
Community and Parish Choirs. We will
pray for those intentions during our
Novena. Please join us in Prayer.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

July 16th - 21st: Cost €719.
All bookings on the Pilgrimage should be
made through Joe Walsh Tours Office,
143 Lower Baggot Street.
Phone 01 241 0800.

Carlow / Kildare Christmas

Pilgrimage to the Holy land 20th -28th
December 2017 for 8 nights. Ex Dublin.
Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem (Mount
of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Last
Supper Room and Calvary), Mount
Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, River
Jordan, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee.
Contact James Treacy 061-92 14 70
or 086 05 72 216.

**There will be a rehearsal for all
those Choir Members who are
going on the Diocesan Pilgrimage
to Lourdes** on Thursday, 8th June in
The Church of the Irish Martyrs,
Ballycane at 7.30pm - 9.30p.m. If
anyone is travelling as a choir member
and have not yet booked with Faith
Development Services please do so by
emailing fds@kandle.ie or phone
Christine at FDS on 059 916 4084.

**Have faith in yourself. Refuse to
believe in the word impossible.**

A Come & See Afternoon

for those interested in or curious about
the priesthood in Kildare & Leighlin
will take place in
the Cathedral Parish Centre
this Sunday, 21st May.
from 2.30p.m. - 5p.m.
For details log on to www.kandle.priest.com

Baptisms in Baltinglass Church

Sunday, 4th June @ 11.45a.m.

Baptisms in Stratford Church.

Sunday, 28th May @ 10.15a.m.

A Baptism Meeting will take place in the
Parish Centre on Tuesday, 23rd May
@ 8p.m. Parents of the Children that are
being baptised in the Parish during the
month of June must attend this meeting.

Baltinglass & District Country Market

will be hosting a Bee Keeping and honey
demonstration; provided by our own honey supplier
on the June Bank holiday weekend, Saturday 3rd
June from 10 - 1 p.m. in Stratford Lodge Old
School, Church Lane, Baltinglass.

The 14th Annual Charity Auction

in aid of St. Vincent's Hospital, Athy
Patients' Comfort Fund
will take place in the Athy G.A.A. Centre
This Sunday May 21st May at 2.15 p.m.
Viewing from 11a.m.
Your support and presence at the Auction
would be greatly appreciated.
Further information is available from
St. Vincent's Hospital at 059 86 43 000.

**Fundraiser in Katie Lowes, Kiltegan & Talk
of the Town On Saturday, 3rd June from
8p.m. till late.** Free admission. Entertainment on
the night. Auction / BBQ / Spot Prizes / Raffle.
Music on the night will be Pdraig McMahon & DJ
Kevin. In aid of Alex who is a niece of Ann &
Henry Byrne, Kiltegan. Alex needs special
Rehabilitation in Chicago. Your support would be
gratefully appreciated. For further details please
phone 087 63 19 785.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers:

02, 06, 12, 14. **No Jackpot winner.**

Match 3 winners: €40 each.

Larry Dunne, Tom Nolan, Mary Doyle,
Mary Vernon. Jim Lawlor, M. Patterson,
Ciara Ni Bhroin & Glenn Flood.

This Week's Jackpot €14,800.

Next draw is in Horan's Pub, Main Street
on Monday, May 22nd @ 10p.m.

Tickets €2. Play online www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grange Con GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers:

05, 13, 14, 24. **Jackpot Winner - No Winner.**

This Week's Jackpot: €6,500.

Match 3 winners €85 each.

Karen Byrne, Esther C/O Bernie Owens
& Tara Case.

Sellers Prizes: €30 each.

Anne Marie Murphy & Mary Bolland.

Next Draw is in Stratford-Grange Con
Clubhouse on Monday, 22nd May @ 9p.m.

Rathvilly & Castledermot Garden & Flower Club

meet on Thursday 25th May at
7.30 pm. Our speaker this month is Robert Miller
from Altamont Plant Sales who will talk about
Summer Colour in the Garden. He will have
examples on show & for sale on that
evening. There will be plants in the raffle also.
That will be followed by tea, biscuits & chat.
Entry €5. Raffle €5. All are welcome.

The Weavers' Cottage Museum is in the
village of Clonegal beautifully restored to its
original condition. Come and take a step back in
time and listen to the history relayed by one of
our guides, enjoy the cottage gardens. Open
Monday, Tuesday & Friday from 9a.m. to 5p.m.
Sunday 12 - 4p.m.

*****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.

Retired Volunteer Nurses Wanted at Eist Cancer Support Centre

The Eist Cancer Support Centre provides practical
and emotional support to anyone from the County of

Carlow affected by cancer. Eist is a registered
charity. We are currently looking for volunteer
nurses who can offer 4 hours of their time on a
weekly basis to the Eist Centre. What are some
reasons to volunteer? Using your skills to help
others. Nurses will have skills and knowledge that
can benefit a wide array of individuals and families
in our community. *A sense of self.* I can think of no
better feeling of satisfaction than helping others each
day. *Spread positivity.* You can make a positive
impact on the community as a whole. *Example.*
Demonstrate to your children the importance of
giving to others. Please contact Valerie at the Eist
Centre at ino@eistcarlowcancersupport or phone
059 9139684 or if you would like more information
or to arrange to call in and visit the centre.

Kids Aloud Community Childcare Service.

Breakfast Cub (7.45-9.15a.m.) Preschool (9.15-
12.15a.m.) & afterschool service (1.40-6.00p.m.)
offering affordable childcare. Free ECCE preschool
places available. We offer a Golden Hour service
where we can collect your child from school at
1.40p.m. & care for them until 2.40p.m. giving you
that extra hour & saving you two journeys to the
school. €4 per day. A homework club from 1.40-2.40
and from 2.40-3.40 is also provided. We offer CETS
to facilitate opportunities for all working parents/
guardians and those returning to training, education.
Nutritious breakfast & snack provided. If you are in
receipt of social welfare benefits you may be entitled
to a discount. Phone (086) 05 53 699 or call into 16
Parkmore, Baltinglass.

Free Home Insulation. If you are a homeowner
living in Co. Wicklow & surrounding Dublin areas on a
low income, you may qualify to get your home
Insulated free of charge. To qualify for the scheme you
must be a owner occupier & in receipt of either Job
Seekers Allowance for more than six months with a
child aged under seven, Fuel Allowance, Family
Income Supplement or One - Parent Family Payment.
Details available from the Warmer Homes Team at
01 28 660 80.

Split the Pot Results.

1st Prize: €200 - *Mary Harmon.* **2nd Prize:** €25 -
Riccardo Pellegrini. **3rd Prize:** €25 - *Fulvio.*



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

6th Sunday of Easter.

21st May, 2017.

Jesus said "You are in me and I am in you." Today's Gospel.

Everything in nature has a time, a rhythm, a natural cycle, a season. This is
also true of spiritual development. In today's gospel we see that the time of
the disciples has not yet come. These are the people who gave up everything
for Christ. They were his students and also his friends and despite being
trained by him they still did not fully understand what Jesus said.

Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit, the same spirit which descended
on the head of Jesus when he was baptised by John the Baptist. Only
then will the disciples understand that "I am in the Father & you in me
and I in you".

Jesus was fully human and we are invited to grow towards this fullness which
leads us to respect one another, keeping our focus on the being of the person,
on God, and less on ourselves. Anything that separates us from Jesus needs to
be emptied out or removed. Our fulfilment comes through Christ, as we are
asked to leave our old way of life behind. We all make mistakes and it is
humbling to admit them but also to learn from them. We are called to say only
what praises God and only what uplifts another. There is a whole new life
awaiting to dawn on us as we await Pentecost-Baptism in the spirit. And each
day has its own time, rhythm, cycle and season. Just as our spiritual life has
within.
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Cemetery Masses 2017:

Rathbran Cemetery - Sunday, 2nd July @ 7p.m.

Knockpatrick Cemetery - Sunday, 16th July @ 7p.m.

Baltinglass Cemetery - Sunday, 6th August @ 7p.m.

Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery - Tuesday, 15th August @ 11a.m.

The Feast of the Assumption



**We congratulate the Children from Baltinglass & Bigstone N.S. who
are receiving their First Holy Communion this Sunday, the 21st May.
May they and their families be blessed with joy and happiness.**