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Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

Anniversary Masses:

This weekend:
Baltinglass: 7.30pm:

Anniversaries:

Patrick Coogan, Irongrange
Sean Burke, Stratford & formerly
of Tuckmill

Colette McGrath, Whitestown

John Norton, Edward St.

Jack Kelly, Boley

Brigid Doyle, Barronstown

Stratford: 6pm: (Sat)

Sean Burke, Stratford

Colette McGrath, Whitestown

Grangecon: 9.30am:

Helena Roache, Griffinstown

Brigid Doyle, Barronstown



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.**

An Invitation to Parishioners.
The diocese is inviting parishioners to attend one of 3 meetings being held to continue the dialogue begun after the Pope's recent letter to Irish Catholics. At these meetings parishioners will have an opportunity to reflect on & discuss the letter; to hear about safeguarding children practices in the diocese; & to be part of the process of moving forward together to deepen the mission of the Church in Kildare & Leighlin. These meetings will begin at 8:00p.m. & will conclude with light refreshments at 10:00p.m. The date and venue is Thurs. 13 May – Killeigh National School, Goresbridge Parish Centre. Each night will be chaired by Bryan O'Reilly, Principal of a Newbridge school and will include a guest speaker. Further information on these meetings and on those already held can be found on the diocesan website: www.kandle.ie

First Holy Communion.

Sunday the 25th April saw the Children of Stratford N.S. receive their First Holy Communion. This weekend will see Children from Baltinglass & Bigstone N.S. receive their First Holy Communion & next Sunday the 16th May will see the Children of Grange Con receive their First Holy Communion. We hope it will be a very special day for each child. May it also be a proud occasion for parents & family members. We take this opportunity to congratulate all our teachers for their fine work, and also convey a word of thanks to all the parents who organised the Parish Programme.

The Kildare and Leighlin Pilgrimage to Knock this year will take place on Sund. 6th June. As in previous years Fr. Liam Lawton & the Diocesan Choir will lead the singing. This year we expect good participation from across the diocese. All are welcome.

"Carlow Choral Society".

Will present Haydn's "The Seasons" at 8pm on Sunday May 16th in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow. Tickets available from Carlow Tourist Office, Roxy Records, Empire Records and choir members. Contact Susan on 085/ 7119334.

Day of Healing.

In Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert on **Sat. 22nd May 2010**. Bus departs the Square, Baltinglass @ **7.30a.m.** via Tullow & Carlow. Bring a packed lunch. **059/ 9151245** or **059/ 9151120** for booking.

The Lalor Centre.

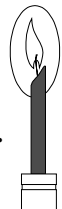
The annual Auction takes place on Friday 21st May in Inis Fail, Germaines, Baltinglass. The tag table will be in Germaines from 11am to 4.30pm on that day. The next auction meeting takes place in Inis Fail on Wednesday the 12th May @ 9pm.

Communication's Group.

The next meeting will be held in the Parish Centre on Tuesday 11th May.



**We pray for
Carmel Foley,
Parkmore, Baltinglass,
& Kathleen Gahan,
Weaver Square & Rathvilly.**
Who died recently.
May they rest in peace.



Amen.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2010.

Baltinglass, Hacketstown &

Rathvilly/Kiltegan Parishes. Pilgrimage

Tour. 23 August 2010 - 5 nights. Breakfast,

Lunch & Dinner - •749.00. Supplement:

Single Room •175 extra. Deposit: •200 pp.

Escorted by: Fr. Seán Maher. Phone 059/

6481722 or visit Elliott Travell. This holiday

is operated by Joe Walsh Tours Licence

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Sunday 16th May 2010.

Stratford: 6pm (Sat)

Baltinglass: 7.30pm (Sat)

11am (Sun)

Grangecon 9.30am (Sun)

Readers:

Jim Fanning

Marie Doyle

Elaine Byrne

1st Holy Communion Class



Eucharistic Ministers

Ina O'Keeffe

Clare O'Neill/Theresa McDermott

Catherine O'Neill/Fintan Doyle

Tony Howard



MISSION 2010.

Just to say a big 'Thank You' to all who made the Mission such a success. The Sacristans, Musicians, Choirs, Organisers of the Parish Visitation, Parish Volunteers who visited the homes with the Ceili Group, the 28 Parishioners who in Rotas cooked & provided all the meals for the 2 weeks in the Parish Centre. Thanks also to so many who helped in so many ways. You are so generous. Thanks to all.

We Welcome into our Christian Community
through the Sacrament of **Baptism**
during the Month of **April 2010:**

n Caitlín Rose Seitz.

n Josh Nathan Furlong.

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BAPTISM

Baltinglass GAA Club.

Last Weeks Winning
Numbers: 08, 15, 21, 26.



Jackpot winner: No winner.

This week's Jackpot •**4,750.00**

Match three winners: •75 each.

Fr Sean Maher, St. Josephs.
Wille Whelan, Hacketstown, Mrs Brid
Murphy, Bawnogues & Pat Murphy,
Boleybeg.

Tickets •2 each.

**Next draw in the Dutchman's Pub,
Edward St. on Monday 10th May 2010.**

Play online www.localotto.ie

Organic Vegetable Production Course.

The Course will run over 5 Saturdays from
mid May 2010. It will be conducted between
2 Organic Farms in the Carlow area. Contact
Cindy, Teagasc Office, Athy, on (059)
8631719 or Paula on (086)2688625.

Stratford on Slaney N.S.

Are holding a **Cake Sale** in the National
School on Sat. May 8th at 6.30pm after
Mass. All cake donations are welcome &
can be left at the School from 5pm that
evening. Please come along as we always
have delicious home made cakes & buns.

Kiltegan IT Centre.

Photoshop Class starting Wed. the 12th May
from 7-9pm in Kiltegan IT Centre. Topics
include editing and restoring pictures. Course
costs •170.00 & will run every Wed. night for 6
weeks. This course has proven extremely
popular and places are very limited, so book
immediately. Please contact any member of
staff for further details at 059 64 73330.

Treasa's Beauty Salon.

New to Salon - a Vibro Plate. Get toned for
the Summer. For more information contact
Treasa on 059 64 82936.

Rainbows Pre-School Montessori.

Woodfield, Baltinglass, now enrolling for Septem-
ber 2010/2011. Limited free places available.
Phone Margaret Jackson on 086 0681624.

Yoga for Health & Fitness.

Six week course starting in the Parish Centre,
Baltinglass on Tuesday 18th May from 7.30pm
to 9pm. Cost •80 for the course. Phone Kirsty
Howe on 087 6327830. Please book as places
are limited.

Brooch Found

Outside Quinns' Supermarket on Thurs-
day 29th April. For further information
please phone Rosaleen McGrath @
Quinns on 059 64 81266.

BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT
COUNTRY MARKET.

Help support local enterprise! Homemade
breads, cakes, tarts, jams & chutneys, free range
eggs & duck eggs, flowers & plants, arts &
crafts, fresh vegetables & fruit in season. A
good selection of recycled books. A cup of
coffee, bun, & a chat makes it a social event.
Every Sat. morning from 10.00am – 1.00pm in
the Old Badminton Hall, Church Lane.

Childline

Is an organization which aims to help children
with problems and to give parents advice if
they are worried about their children. Here are
their contact details. Telephone no.
1800 66 66 66. Text "Talk" to 50101, it's free
Visit www.Childline.ie or if you want to
volunteer and you are over 18, call this
number, 01 676 7960.

Beat Jack Frost.

Frost-Proof Hedging Plants. Window
Boxes & Hanging Baskets. Phone
Frank's Nursery on 059/ 64 81530.

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

6th Sunday of Easter.

9th May 2010.

'Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid'. 'Today's Gospel'.

There was a time in my life when I always wanted to be doing a course so
as to be learning something new, to be achieving, always wanted to be going
and doing. Now, I'm gradually learning how to BE.

Today Jesus says 'Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid'. We
are all called to live in harmony, to have peace in our hearts on a
daily basis. This involves a total surrender to God, allowing his will
to take over our lives. To do this I need to make decisions based on
what is best for all of me - my mind, body, sensibility and being.
When I make the right decision it brings harmony into my life, peace
into my heart. In this way I am bringing peace into my home, my
country and into the world.

Jesus said 'My own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give. It is
good to have a favourite vocal prayer, a hymn or a psalm off by heart - one
that brings you peace. Then you can pray it wherever you are, or rather
allow Jesus to pray it within you, and just for now I invite you to reflect
on Jesus' words.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid". Gospel. (AS)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2010.

BAPTISMS:

St Joseph's Church, Baltinglass:
Sunday 6th June @ 11.45pm.

First Holy Communion:

Baltinglass/Bigstone Sunday 9th May @ 12.30

Grange Con: Sunday 16th May @ 11am

