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Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona Kavanagh & Ann Leigh.

Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th January.

Minsters of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Myra Kearney, Jim Kearney
11a.m. (Sun) Monica Brophy, Jacqui Kenny
Stratford: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Mary Whittle



Minsters of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Michael Lennon, Matt O'Brien
Noel Kennedy & Pat Fleming
11a.m. (Sun.) Mary Gohery, Therese Kelly
Catherine Lord.
Stratford: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Carmel Doyle



This weekend: Baltinglass 6p.m.

Anniversaries:

Richard, Julia & Margaret Dalton, Woodfield
Lar Murphy, Randlestown
Tom Burke, Weaver Square
Alice Farrell, Weaver Square
Michael Leigh, Sroughaun
Bridget Kerley, Graney
Jane & Michael Clynnh, Lathaleer & their daughter Margaret
Sarah & John Leigh, Rathbran
John Molloy, Raheen
Mary Malone, Parkmore
Edward & Mary Byrne, Tuckmill
Paul O'Brien, Edward Street
James Doyle, London & Shroughaun
Elizabeth Brown, Shroughaun
Teresa Kenny, Kiltegan & London
Patrick & Tom Kelly, Castlesallagh, Donard
Denis & Kathleen Byrne, Parkmore
Martha Shortt, Tuckmill, Baltinglass
Patrick Sinnott, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford
John Salmon, Lowtown
Brian & Alice Ferguson & all members of the Ferguson Family
Catherine & Joseph Kavanagh, Carrigeen
Margaret King, Co. Louth
Jim Rooney, Ballymaconey & his brother Tom Rooney
Tottie Byrne, Weaver Square
Grange Con: Sun. 9.30a.m.
John Salmon, Lowtown.
Jack Keogh, Winetavern.

Weekend Mass Times.

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

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

Stratford & Grange Con

Mass in Stratford 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.

We pray for

Margaret (Mary) McGeer,
Knockrigg, Grange Con
Esther (Eithne) McGuinness,
Tankardstown & formerly
Stratford on Slaney
& Charlie Shortt, Chapel Hill,
Baltinglass
Who have died recently.
May they rest in peace.



Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie

Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

Christmas Collection for the Priest/Supply Priests of the Parish. Sincere thanks to all for your very generous contributions to this collection.

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.mcnmedia.tv or just mcnmedia.tv (upper or lower case it doesn't matter).

If someone is housebound, family members may like to set them up. Camera 1 is Parish Church & Camera 2 is St. Paul's Oratory.

Pre-Marriage Course.

Accord Carlow are now taking bookings for the following courses - January 27th & 28th, February 10th & 11th, March 10th & 11th. Couples getting married in Spring or early summer 2017 should book a place on one of the above courses. Bookings can be made on line at www.accord.ie or for further information phone Mary on 059 91 38 738.

"God chose us before the world began to be holy". God has chosen each person in Christ for a particular vocation. If He may be calling you to be holy through a vocation to the priesthood.

Baltinglass Parish Bingo

is on every Monday night in Fatima Hall @ 8.30p.m. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Folk Group.

The next practice takes place in the Parish Centre on Wednesday, 11th January @ 7.30p.m. New members always welcome.

The Parish Calender is available in the Parish Centre or in any of the three Churches.

"With gratitude in your life, Life is a blessing. When gratitude is absent, Life is a burden."

Sincere thanks to the Link People in the parish who recently delivered the annual weekly parish envelopes.

"Time is free but it is priceless, you can't own it, but you can use it. You can't keep it, but you can spend it. Once you've lost it, you can never get it back."

Kiltegan Toastmasters. If you are looking to improve your communication, listening & leadership skills in 2016 then join Kiltegan Toastmasters. The next meeting is on January, 13th @ 8p.m. sharp at Slí and Chroí. For details phone Helen on 086 37 57 124.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers:

18, 21, 23, 28.

This Week's Jackpot €10,700.

No Jackpot winner.

2 Match 3 winners €150 each.

John Burke & Karen McGowan.

Next draw on Monday, 9th January

@ 10p.m. in Timmins Pub, Weaver Square.

Tickets €2.

Play online at www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers: 8, 17, 25, 26.

No Jackpot Winner.

This Week's Jackpot: €10,250.

3 Match 3 winners €125 each.

Andy Cullen & Carolyn Grant.

Sellers Prizes: €30 each.

Carmel Whelan & Peter Keogh.

Next Draw is in Stratford-Grange Con

Clubhouse on Monday the 9th January @ 9p.m.

Play online at www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie

We would like to wish everyone a very happy,
peaceful & healthy new year & all
good wishes for 2017.

Aspiro - Ireland's leading choir for children

are now recruiting new
members. Come join us as we prepare for our
20th Anniversary celebrations

2017-2018. Email info@aspirochoir.ie,
or phone 085-74 51 111. Classes resume on

Tuesday 17th January. Limited
number of places available in all groups.

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.

Manual Handling Course

on 10th January in Arklow
Business Enterprise Centre. If you
wish to book a place on the course
please phone 0402-33 505 or email
marek@aslsafety.com

For other courses please check
schedule on:

www.aslsafety.com/training

Cozy Corner Crafters will be
returning on Monday 9th January
at 1p.m. We are doing crochet,
decoupage and St. Brigid's Crosses
in January. If you have a crochet
hook, please bring it. New
members are welcome, especially
beginners wishing to learn crochet.

Adult Jiving, Quickstep & Waltzing dance classes

commencing on Thursday 26th
January 2017. Course runs for 6
weeks from 8 - 9p.m. every
Thursday. No Partner Required.
Registration & Payment (€60)
on the night. Academy of
Dance, Carlow Youth &
Community Centre, Green
Lane, Carlow. Phone
087 27 273 15 for details.

Danny's Corner:

I would like to thank Burke's
Newsagent in Baltinglass for
installing a wheelchair ramp
which I can use to enter the
shop. *Danny Doyle.*



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

The Baptism of the Lord.

Sunday 8th January, 2017

How to enter the new year.

If you're reading this, you lived to see the new year.

This is no small matter! Your life makes a difference in the universe,
whether or not you embrace your God-given power.
May this prayer accompany your initial steps into the future.

God of all time,
help us enter the New Year quietly,
Thoughtful of who we are to ourselves and to others,
mindful that our steps make an impact
and our words carry power.
May we walk gently,
May we speak only after we have listened well.

Creator of all life,
Help us enter the New Year reverently,
Aware that you have endowed
every creature and plant, every person and habitat
with beauty and purpose.
May we regard the world with tenderness.
May we honour rather than destroy.

Lover of all souls,
Help us enter the New Year joyfully,
Willing to laugh and dance and dream,
Remembering our many gifts with thanks and looking forward to
blessings yet to come.
May we welcome your lavish love.
May we cast off the small, vindictive God our fears have made.

May the grace and peace of Christ bless you now and in the days ahead.

Baptisms in Baltinglass Church
on Sunday 5th February, 2017 @ 11.45a.m.