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Anniversary Masses:

This weekend:

Baltinglass: 7.30pm:

Anniversaries:

Cyril McGeer, Parkmore

Brigid Fennell, Clough

Ellen & Michael Dunne, Belan Street

Annie & Denis Doyle & Denis Doyle Jnr.,

Rathmoon

Siss Kelly, The Dales, Carrigeen

Mary Stephenson, Rathtoole

Matt, Lorcan & Thomas O'Brien,

Carrigeen

Dermot O'Neill, Newtown

Seanie O'Neill, Newtown

Maureen Hanrahan, Limerick

Sarah Lennon, Parkmore

Michael Hunt

Terence (Terry) Kinsella, Rampere

Stratford: 6pm: (Sat)

Grangecon: 9.30am:

Mick Donohue, Barronstown

Paddy, Mary & Christopher Farrell,

Late of York & Grangecon.

The next date for cleaning St
Joseph's Church is Friday the 4th
December.

The Folk Group will participate at the
11am Mass in St Joseph's Church on
Sunday 22nd November.

Sunday 29th November 2009

Stratford: 6pm (Sat)

Baltinglass: 7.30pm (Sat)

11am (Sun)

Grangecon 9.30am (Sun)

Readers:

Mary Poll

Sean O'Reilly

Alice Cullen

Anne Whelan



Eucharistic Ministers

Breda Kelly

Michael Lennon & Nancy Hughes

Tony Duffy & Kate Deans

Kay Moore



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.

ETHICAL GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

Baltinglass Fairtrade committee is opening a
one-day 'Ethical Gifts' shop on Sat. 28 November.

For one day only you can browse or even buy
Christmas gifts (not just Fairtrade ones!) that have
a positive impact on communities at home or
abroad. The 'Ethical Gifts' shop will be open
from 1am in Murrays' in Main Street. Browsers
will be treated

Annual Bough Youth Club Christmas
Whist Drive on Fri. 27th Nov. in Bough Hall,
Rathvilly @ 8.30pm. Top prize - Hamper worth
•100. Other prizes, Hams, Christmas Cakes etc.
Cards •5. Beginners whist Drive in conjunction with
the main whist upstairs. Cards •3. Tea provided.

Review Magazine

Will be on sale in all Churches on the weekend of the
28th & 29th November. Cost •5. Will be available in the
shops from next Sunday.

Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie

Newsletter also available on www.mylocalnews.ie This free service is open to
all community groups, eg, sports/youth clubs, Arts, Schools, etc.

Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

A short series of reflections
on the Old Testament

Prophets will take place in the Parish Centre, Askea
over three Wednesday nights at 8:00pm:

25 November: What is Prophecy and who are the
Prophets? How do we listen with urgency to God's
Word?

2 December: Amos, that rugged old man with the
straight truth Isaiah, bravely watching your world fade
away!

9 December: Jeremiah, how unfair can you be, God?
Ezekiel, a mad-man's vision of hope!

**These evenings will be presented by Fr. Sean
Maher**, a priest of our diocese and curate in Baltinglass.
Fr. Sean is a graduate of the Pontifical Biblical Institute,
Rome and is currently a research doctoral student in the
University of Durham. He is lecturer in Sacred Scrip-
ture in Carlow College and Occasional Lecturer in
Biblical Studies in Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth.
Until recently, he was responsible for the Scripture
Apostolate in Kildare and Leighlin.

Day of Healing.

in Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert on **Sat.**
28th November 2009. Bus departs the Square,
Baltinglass @ **7.30a.m.** via Tullow and Carlow.
Bring a packed lunch. **059/ 9151245** or **059/
9151120** for booking.

Race Night

In aid of Fighting Blindness takes place in the Watermill
Pub, Baltinglass on Friday, 27th November @ 9pm.
Raffle prizes to be won.

Baltinglass & District Active Retirement.
The next meeting takes place on Wednesday 25th
November in Inis Fail @ 3pm. This is the last
meeting before Christmas. All are welcome.

Confirmation.

A meeting of all the Parents of the Confir-
mation Classes will be held in the Parish
Centre on Tuesday 24th Nov. @ 8pm.

Advent Retreats at Mount St. Anne's
Frid. Nov. 27th – Sun. 29th '09 Scriptural
Reflections In Advent.

Presenter: Bishop Martin Drennan. Cost: •180
Residential, Non-residential option available.

Friday December 4th – Sunday 6th 2009

Prepare Ye The Way. The Hope of Israel...
the Prophets' promises...the women waiting...
the Saviour is coming. Presenter: Fr. Maurice
McGill MHM. Cost: •180 Residential
Non-residential option available

Dec 11th – 13th 2009

Behold, The Saviour Is Born. Reflect on what is
the true meaning of Christmas. Presenter: Fr.
Vincent Sherlock. Cost: •180 Residential
Non-residential option available

Dec 18th – 19th 2009

Come away and rest awhile. ADVENT RE-
FLECTION AND QUIET. Presenter: Mount St.
Anne's Team. Cost •80 Residential
Non-residential option available.

An Afternoon of Prayer & Reflection
in preparation for Christmas on Sund. 13th Dec.
2009. 3pm – 6pm at
Mount St. Anne's Retreat & Conference, Centre,
Killenard, Portarlinton, Co. Laois. Cost •10
(incl. Tea/Coffee). All Welcome
Bookings/Enquiries: The Secretary, Mount St.
Anne's. 057-8626153
email: msannes@eircom.net

Christmas Youth 2000 Retreat
A National Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat for
Young people aged 16-35 takes place at
Newbridge College from Fri. 18th to Sun. 20th
Dec. An opportunity not to be missed to
experience the Catholic faith & meet new friends.
Phone 01 6753690 or 086 3025442. No charge -
donation only.

Baltinglass & District Country Market
Celebrates its "1st birthday" on 28th Nov at 10am at
old Badminton Hall, Church Lane. Mince pies, mulled
wine, christmas cake served. All are welcome.

Baltinglass GAA Club

Last Weeks Winning
Numbers: 03, 18, 29, 30

Jackpot winner: No winner
This week's Jackpot **•9,200**

Match three winners:

No winners.

•300 added to jackpot plus •150.

Tickets •2 each.

**Next draw in Judge's Inn Pub
on Monday 23rd Nov. 2009.**

Play online www.localotto.ie



"KILTEGAN IT CENTRE

Now enrolling for Beginners Computer Courses beginning in January 2010. Also enrolling for ECDL Courses". Anyone interested please contact Lorraine for further details on 059-6473330 between 9.15am - 1pm".

Scoil Chonglais Post-Primary School, Baltinglass will hold its Annual Enrolment & Information Evening on Wed. 25th Nov. @ 7:30pm. Parents/Guardians of current 6th class pupils are invited to come along and are reminded to bring their son/daughter's PPS Number to facilitate enrolment. For further information contact www.baltinglass.org or Marie on 059-6481449

Rathvilly Garden and Flower Club Will meet on Wedn. 25th. Nov. 2009, @ 8 pm in St. Patrick's Sport's & Community Centre, Rathvilly. Demonstration by Helen Lucas with a Christmas theme. All are welcome including non members. There will be the usual cup of tea and chat after.
Admission 5 Euro.

Polish lady seeks work
Full time or part time. Housekeeping, gardening, cooking, shopping, babysitting, minding children, caring for sick or elderly.
Has her own car. Experienced. Call 0851412033 or 0857814934.

'Basic Beauty & Healthy Living.
FREE 10 hour Course & an opportunity to further learning & training for early school leavers at Baltinglass Adult Learning Centre - 059-6482642. Text: 086-8462771. Starting Tuesday 24th November from 7pm until 9.30. Learn about the skin & then do practical facial
Learn about Nail Care & and do practical manicure. Learn how & what to eat for better health. All materials provided. Tuition by
Treaea Kearney

Stratford/ Grangecon
Community Employment Scheme have a vacancy for a childcare assistant in Stratford on Slaney. Usual eligibility applies. Contact Tom Whittle on 087 9227051 or email stratfordce@gmail.com

We thank you!

Baltinglass Parish Folk Group would like to thank everyone who supported their recent fundraising C.D. Launch Concert. C.D.s are now on sale @ •10 and are available from the Parish Office, Patterson's & Burke's Newsagents. All proceeds go towards the Profile Bed Fund for Baltinglass Hospital and for the F.A.I. D. School for deaf children in Beirut, Lebanon. An ideal Christmas Gift.
Please Support.

Kaideen Knitwear, Baltinglass
Annual Pre-Christmas Sale
On Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd Nov.
from 1pm to 5pm. Open every day until
Christmas eve. Phone 059/6481241

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

Christ the King

22nd November 2009

"Mine is not a kingdom of this world" Gospel.

When a child grows up in an atmosphere of love he/she has
a treasure for life.

Today is the last Sunday of the Church year and is the feast of Christ the King - the King of Love. It is up to each of us to create a loving home by being accepting and understanding of others - in this way we bring Heaven to earth. It is so wonderful to write for a while each day connecting with love and peace within.

I can experience this by listening to some quiet music, by reading some scripture, by praying some of my favourite prayers, by being out in nature. Find your own way of experiencing this calm, serene place - the Kingdom of God within.

Quiet, Peace, Reflection - this is easier for some people than for others as each person has specific qualities depending on his/her constitution. Some people by nature have a tranquil, relaxed personality, others are happy, enthusiastic and energetic and again others are warm, loving and content.

Let us reflect today on what it means to be Motherly, Fatherly, Sisterly, Brotherly. Do I create a loving atmosphere in my own Kingdom - a bit of Heaven on Earth.

(A.S.)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2009.

BAPTISMS:

St Joseph's Church, Baltinglass:
6th December @ 11.45

St Mary's Church, Stratford.
Saturday 28th November 2009 @ 5pm.

Confirmation in St Joseph's Church Baltinglass takes
place on Sunday 18th April @ 12.30pm.

First Holy Communion:

Stratford: Sunday 25th April @ 11am

Baltinglass: Sunday 9th May @ 12.30pm

Grange Con: Sunday 16th May @ 11am.

