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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 26th Nov and Sunday 27th Nov

**Ministers of the Word:**

**Baltinglass:** 6p.m. (Sat ) Myra Kearney, Jim Kearney  
11a.m. (Sun) Sean O'Reilly, Fiona Kavanagh  
**Stratford** 9.30a.m. (Sun) Peggy Kelly



**Ministers of the Eucharist:**

**Baltinglass:** 6p.m. (Sat) Julia O'Neill, Bernie Doogue,  
Pat Dunne, Mary Hayes  
11a.m. (Sun.) Mary Vernon, Stephen Fagan,  
Soley Fernando James, Mary Burke  
**Stratford** 9.30a.m. (Sun) Anthony McDermot



**This weekend:** Recently Deceased :

Rita Germaine, Parkmore.  
Dave Hallahan

**Baltinglass Anniversaries:**

Stephen Byrne, Tuckmill.  
Sarah Lennon, Parkmore  
Patrick McGrath, Carrigeen  
Bridie Doherty, Carrigeen.  
Pairaic and Mary Naughton, Spiddal  
Seamus Conneelly, Galway  
Kearney Family, late of Lathaleer.  
Ann Hogan , Liscoondam  
Shane O'Loughlin, West Demesne  
Michael Mulhall, Sruthaun  
Matt and Elizabeth Mulhall, Sruthaun  
Terence (Terry) Kinsella, Rampere  
Annie O'Toole, Main st Baltinglass  
Anne nee Shortt and Richard Bye,  
Baltinglass  
Ann Connolly Heffernan , Goresbridge.

**Grangecon Anniversaries**

Months Mind :Francis Flood  
Michael and Mary Twyford, Grangecon

Sr. Joan Bland, Presentation Sister and Principal of Baltinglass Girl's school who also taught in the school died last Monday 14th November . Her funeral took place in Rahan Co. Offaly

**Weekend Mass Times.**

**Baltinglass:** Sat. 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.

**Last Week's Collections**

**Offertory: €694 Development €1381**  
Many thanks for your continued support

Link envelopes are ready for collection from the Parish Office

**Garden Club Rathvilly & Castledermot**

Garden & Flower Club will have their Christmas Flower Arranging Demonstration in Teach Diarmada, Castledermot, on Thurs 24th November at 8 pm. Betty Holden from Kilkenny (AOIFA demonstrator ) will give us some great ideas for the Christmas Season. Tea, cakes & chat to follow. Adm €5. Raffle €5. all arrangements will be raffled on the night.

Newsletter now available on [www.baltinglassparish.ie](http://www.baltinglassparish.ie)  
Diocesan web site: [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

**Webcams are now installed in our Parish Church and St. Paul's oratory. All ceremonies are broadcast worldwide and can be viewed on PC's , laptops, iPad's and Smart Phones. Look for [www.mcnmedia.tv](http://www.mcnmedia.tv) or**

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**Church and Camera 2 St. Paul's Oratory.**

On the 28th of November Scoil Chonglais are holding their annual Fashion Show in Inis Fail, Germaines, Baltinglass at 8pm. Faith Almond, well known fascinator designer will be presenting the show, with appearances from local GAA stars. Lets see will the men have as good foot-work on the catwalk as they have on the football pitch! Clothing from Buy Design, Secret Closet and many other shops. A great opportunity to buy some early Christmas gifts or decorations at our stalls held on the night, there will also be a raffle. A brilliant night for all ages! Tickets are available from the school or contact Dorothy Fox on 086 62691019 or [Dorothyfox@kwetb.ie](mailto:Dorothyfox@kwetb.ie)

**Weaver's Cottage Museum** is nestled in the beautiful village of Clonegal. Beautifully restored to its original beauty it was once the home to local weavers, it now holds artefacts and local history of the Cottage Weaving Industry. Open Monday to Friday from 9.00am to 4.00pm, Saturday and Sunday 12.00 to 4.00pm. Why not pop bye for a visit and step back in time. [weaverscottage1@gmail.com](mailto:weaverscottage1@gmail.com)

AGM of the Hospital Day Care took place recently . We are blessed in having such a wonderful facility in our community with enthusiastic & committed staff & volunteers

**Parent and Toddler Group Fatima Hall**  
Jolly Tots will now be open on Tuesdays only from 10am-12noon due to lack of interest, until further notice.

**Christmas Tree Lighting Carol Service** in remembrance of loved ones no longer with us will take place on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm in Baltinglass hospital grounds. All are welcome to attend and take part in this service. You can shine a light in memory of Family and Friends no longer with us by sponsoring a light for €5 on the Christmas Tree. Light sponsorship and cards are available from Baltinglass library, local shops in Baltinglass or by contacting Mary Jackman at 085 7154262 or Renee O'Toole 0868477319.



Congratulations and well done to our local Scout Groups as they celebrate 10 years. A wonderful 10th Birthday celebration took place recently in Fatima Hall. It is so heartening to see such enthusiastic leaders with all the young people of all ages. Long may this continue.

**UCC Online Certificate in Autism Studies**

Registration for this part-time online course (Level 6 Certificate) is open until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Full details and registration online at [www.ucc.ie/en/ace-caus/](http://www.ucc.ie/en/ace-caus/), or phone 021-490 4700.

### Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers: 10,16,19,29

This Week's Jackpot €9300

No Jackpot winner.

3 Match 3 winners €100 each

Next draw Germaines Monday 21st Nov. Tickets €2.

Play online at [www.localotto.ie](http://www.localotto.ie)

### Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results.

The results of last night's draw (14/11/2016) as

follows WINNING NUMBERS: 3, 6, 18, 25

JACKPOT WINNERS: NO WINNER

NEXT WEEK'S JACKPOT: €8,500

21/11/2016 Monday night at 9.00pm

Where: Stratford-Grangecon Clubhouse Match 3

WINNERS (Share €250) €85each

**Split the Pot Results:** Winners in the last Draw. 1st Tony Keogh, 2nd Pat Hughes, 3rd Mackenzie Fox. Next draw during Bingo on Monday night in Fatima Hall. Baltinglass Lights Committee would like to thank you for your support. find us on facebook.

**West Wicklow Cancer Support:** - The drop-in meeting on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Coimin

Every year, the third Sunday of November is the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims. This day focuses on both the overall scale and the individual devastation caused by road deaths and injuries and the impact upon families and communities around the world. Almost 4,000 people are killed and many hundreds of thousands injured on roads throughout the world every day. Many more have to cope with bereavement or the effects of injury and thus become part of the huge group of people affected by road carnage.

We pray together:-

Holy Mother, hear our prayer,

Keep us in your loving care,

Whatever the perils of the way,

Let us not add to them this day.

So to our caution and attention,

We add a prayer for your protection,

To beg God's blessing on this car,

To travel safely near and far.

### Support worker CE Vacancies

in Blessington, Baltinglass & Tinahely. Applicants must supply suitable character references and be prepared to complete a Garda vetting application form. Full Clean Driving Licence preferable. Contact Niamh 0873194157 or Sandra 0870668129.

### Baltinglass Further Education and Training

**Centre \*\*\*NEW:** Two new courses starting this month in :**Eating Healthy, Staying Healthy** - for four Wednesdays, 12.45 to 2.45. Learn about Healthy Eating options. Starting Wednesday 23rd and ending December Wednesday 14th.

**CV and Interview Skills** - short course to increase your chances at gaining employment. Starting Tuesday 29th November. Contact Annette 0868462771/0596482642 for further details.

**Review 2016** It was at the launch of The Review 2016 in The Parish Centre on Friday 18th Nov. '16 that the results of the 'Art Competition' were announced and the children were there to receive their prizes. The Communications group wish to thank five National Schools for participating in the Art Competition and the theme for this year being '1916' - thanks must also go to our judges.

Congratulations to all who participated, results are:

-Jnr, Snr & 1st Class Winners: 1st Sophie Doyle, Grangecon N.S. 2nd Amber Mann, Stratford on Slaney N.S. 3rd Marcus Whittle, Stratford on Slaney N.S. 2nd 3rd & 4th Class Winners: 1st Rebecca O'Toole, Grangecon N.S. 2nd Lauren White Stratford on Slaney N.S. 3rd Anna Bookle Stratford on Slaney N.S. 5th & 6th Class Winners: 1st Tadhg Brennan Scoil Naomh Iosaf 2nd Lia Arnold O'Reilly Scoil Naomh Iosaf 3rd Ellen Berney, Grangecon N.S. Also to say The Review will go on sale at its usual price of €5 at Masses on Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th November '16. Hope you enjoy it.

Senior Citizens Christmas Party on Tuesday 6th December @1pm Hosted by Active Retirement Contact Mary at 086 0629435

Maths Grinds to all levels from an experienced Maths Teacher 0863112843



## Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

Feast of Christ the King, Sunday 20th November 2016

"Our Lord Jesus Christ Universal King". *Today's Gospel.*

The Church bell is ringing, inviting us to take a few moments in prayer - maybe a prayer of our own creation concerning our material needs, maybe a prayer we have recited for years or even maybe a prayer of reflection or silence.

It can be so difficult at times to relax the body and calm the mind, both being necessary to lead us into a prayer of silence and so to inner transformation.

Well, it's the last Sunday of the Church year, the feast of Christ our Universal King. It's a good time to reflect on how we have lived the past year especially on how much we have grown personally and how our prayer life or inner life has developed or do I even care.

Jesus conquered sin and death and in doing so did it for all of us. We are alive in him and he in us. St. Paul gives a great account of Jesus in the Second Reading but our minds cannot understand God.

His ways are not our ways. With him everything is upside down. Jesus is the fullness of humanity. He 'being the image of the unseen God is a mirror image of the Father Jesus' in Him were created all things in Heaven and earth. Jesus, first born from the dead.

Jesus, all things reconciled through him and for him.

Jesus - 'made peace by his death on the cross'

Jesus - Our Universal King. **A.S.**

This weekend, the 20th November marks the closing of the Extraordinary year of mercy across the universal church. God's mercy and compassion has been highlighted throughout this Jubilee year of Mercy, but of course Pope Francis reminds us that we must continue in spreading God's merciful love and forgiveness both at home and in our parish community. So let each of us be channels of God's merciful love and forgiveness.