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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd January.

Minsters of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6p.m. (Sat) Micheál Lalor, Mary Hayes
 11a.m. (Sun) Seán O'Reilly, Fiona Kavanagh
Grange Con: 9.30a.m. (Sun) Joe Hamill



Minsters 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



This weekend: Baltinglass 6p.m.

Months Mind Mass:

Mary Byrne, Chapel Hill.

Anniversaries:

Mary Hanlon, Broadstown, Baltinglass & San Francisco.

Deirdre O'Connor, Carlow & Baltinglass

Nick Carty, Deerpark & Wamfler

Annie Gethings, Parkmore

Breda Patterson, Belan Street

William Sutton, Belan Street

Declan Howe, Newbridge

Patrick Donegan, Holdenstown

Joseph Fagan Snr. & Bridgid Fagan, 39 Parkmore

John Kenny, Shroughaun

Jenny McHugh, Parkmore

Joe O'Toole, Main Street, Baltinglass

Mary Swayne, Hughestown

Maisie Browne, Ballymore Eustace

Jim Browne, Ballymore Eustace

Christy Browne, Ballymore Eustace

Stratford: Sun. 9.30a.m.

James Coleman, Stratford

Richard & Elizabeth Barrett, Ballinatone

We pray for Malachy Coyle

New Jersey, USA & Baltinglass
 who have died recently.
 Funeral arrangements to
 follow.

&

Christopher Corcoran, Wales
 May they rest in peace.



Weekend Mass Times.

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

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

*Stratford & Grange Con
 Mass in Grange Con 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.*

*The week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes
 place on January 18th - 25th, 2017. The theme
 this year is "Reconciliation: The Love of
 Christ compels us".*

*There will be an Inter Church Service in
 St. Mary's, Church Lane on Wednesday, 18th
 January at 8p.m. All are encouraged to
 attend.*

*"To you who have been consecrated in Christ
 Jesus and called to be a holy people." Could
 it be that you or someone in your family is
 being called to consider priesthood? Contact
 Fr. Ruairi O Domhnaill on 045 897470 or
 vocations@kandle.ie*

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

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.mcmedia.tv or just mcmedia.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.

*You will notice that the Church
 decorations for Christmas have been
 removed and we're into Ordinary time in the
 Church's Year. Hopefully we carry the real spirit
 of Christmas into the ordinariness of our lives
 each day. A big Thank You to all those who did
 so much to prepare each of the 3 Churches for the
 celebration for Christmas. You did a wonderful
 job and it's very much appreciated.
 Blessings on all!*

Fr Pat Ramsbottom PE has written a
 book called 'Thought at Sundown' which
 costs €10. All proceeds will go to Cancer
 Research. It is available from the Parish
 Office in Cooleragh, 045 - 86 0 281 Mon,
 Tues, Thurs & Fri 9.30a.m. -12p.m. or
 Fr Jimmy Doyle 087-93 58 279.

A thought on Mercy. Old Dubliners
 will remember Lambert Brien, a Hardware Shop
 in Grafton Street. One day a woman walked in
 and asked to speak to the person in charge. She
 told him that about 20 years previously, she had
 taken an expensive set of drinking glasses from
 the shop, without paying for them. It had
 troubled her ever since and now she wanted to
 pay for them. His response was to decline the
 offer of money and instead give her a gift in
 acknowledgement of her honesty. She left the
 shop a new woman, freed from the guilt that had
 troubled her for years.

Symposium: 'Be the Change' in

The Tearmann Community Garden on
 Monday 16th January from 2 p.m. - 3.20 p.m.
 Repeat of this Symposium on Thursday 19th
 January in the Parish Centre 11.30 a.m. -
 12.30 p.m. The symposium will use short
 video clips and input to help us to become
 aware of the wonder of creation and how we
 can live in a more sustainable way today. The
 aim of the symposium is to help us respond to
 the Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor.

The Willoughby Brothers in Concert

in *Germaines, Baltinglass* on Friday, 10th
 February @ 8p.m. Entrance fee: €20.
 Proceeds in aid of the Day Care Centre at
 Baltinglass Hospital. For tickets phone Ann
 on 087 61 56 993 or Sean on 087 24 08 367
 or contact Baltinglass Hospital.

Danny's Corner: The Hall Committee in
 Kiltegan are running a Table Quiz Fundraiser
 in aid of Baltinglass Hospital & The Lalor
 Centre on Friday, 3rd February in St. Peter's
 Parish Centre, Kiltegan @ 8p.m.
 €20 for a table of four people.

Baltinglass Parish Bingo

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

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 For further
 information please phone Mary on
 059 91 38 738.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers:

03, 04, 18, 24.

This Week's Jackpot €10,900.

No Jackpot winner.

8 Match 3 winners €40 each.

Next draw on Monday, 16th January

@ 10p.m. in Horan's Pub, Main Street.

Tickets €2.

Play online at www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club

Lotto Results.

Last Week's Winning Numbers:

09, 14, 16, 17.

No Jackpot Winner.

This Week's Jackpot: €10,500.

2 Match 3 winners €125 each.

Billy Kenny & Peter Doyle.

Sellers Prizes: €30 each.

Maurice Mangan & Paul Moore.

Next Draw is in Stratford-Grange Con

Clubhouse on Monday the 16th January @ 9p.m.

Play online at www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie

Split the Pot Results.

1st Prize: Bridie Donoghue

2nd Prize: Julia O'Neill

3rd Prize: Catherine Curry.

Congratulations!

A sum of money was found

in Baltinglass town during the week.

If you think it might be yours please

phone 086 86 94 032.

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.

Home help needed for 5 or 6 weeks, while mother is obtaining treatment. They will be required to prepare meals, take children to school. Approx 2 hours every day. Driving licence required. Please phone 086 33 52 531 for details.

Baltinglass Further Education & Training

Centre. Places available in the following classes: **ESOL** - Do you know someone who would like to improve their English language skills? Class on Wednesday evenings - starting end of January. English for speakers of other languages.

CV Preparation & Interview Skills -

Improve your chances for employment:-

Short 15 hour morning course Jan/Feb.

Art Classes starting in February.

Beginners improves Computers - day/

evenings. Our classes are free of charge,

friendly and flexible. Small groups make

learning a better experience. Take time out

for yourself. For details please contact

Annette or Maeve on 086 84 62 771 or

059 64 82 642.

"Family Carers Ireland are proving the QQI Level 5 Healthcare Support Award in your area, based on demand, in February 2017. One Day workshops on Mental Health, Nutrition, Emergency First Aid & Challenging Behaviour also available. For details phone 057 93 229 20.

Barrow Training & Consultancy.

Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow.

Phone: 059 972 1416.

E: info@barrowtraining.ie

W: www.barrowtraining.ie

Courses: Safety & Health at Work.

QQI Level 5. **Dates:** February 17th, 24th

& March 3rd & 10th. **Venue:** Carlow.

Cost: €350 or €299 online.

Special Needs Assisting. QQI Level 6.

Dates: March 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th.

Venue: Carlow. **Cost:** €350 or €299

online. Please phone the above number for

details on any of the above courses.



Baltinglass, Bigstone, Stratford & Grangecon

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Sunday 15th January, 2017

World Day of Migrants and Refugees - 15th January, 2017.

Parishes are at the centre of welcoming the stranger in our midst, particularly the vulnerable and those in need who are on the periphery of our communities. As Pope Francis stated in his message for World Day of Migrant and Refugees: "Faced with the tragedy of tens of thousands refugees fleeing death on account of war and hunger and who are traveling toward a hope for life, the Gospel calls us to be 'neighbours' to the smallest and abandoned, (and) to give them a concrete hope. I ask everyone to help those who, for various reasons, are forced to live far from their homeland and are separated from their families".

Prayer for Refugees.

Almighty and merciful God,
whose son became a refugee
and had no place to call his own.

Look with mercy on those who today
are fleeing from danger,
homeless and hungry.

Bless those who work to bring them relief;
Inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts;
and guide the nations of Europe towards that day
when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and peace.

Baptisms in Baltinglass Church in 2017.

Sunday, 5th February @ 11.45a.m.

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