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### Anniversary Masses:

This weekend:

**Baltinglass: 7.30pm:**

**Month's Mind Mass of**

Alice Farrell, Weaver Sq. Baltinglass

**Anniversaries:**

Thomas Duffy, Parkmore

Jean Connolly, Newtown & Lathaleer

Margaret Foley, Carrigeen

Christina Lennon, Parkmore

Jack Germaine, Knockpatrick

John Byrne, Shroughaun

Peter Burke, Carrigeen, Baltinglass

John & Mary Doyle

Dermot O' Neill, 2 Shroughaun

Peter Harbourne, Main Street

Elizabeth (Lil) Kinsella, Rampere

Kate Toomey, The Glen of Imaal

John Groves, 48 Parkmore

Josie Salmon, Parkmore & Weaver Sq.

Mary Murphy, Lowtown

**Stratford: 6pm: (Sat)**

Billy Loughlin, Ballymore Eustace

**Grangecon: 9.30am:**

Nora Byrne, Castlehill

Willie Bourke, Grangecon

Pat & Dora O'Toole, Grangecon

Jeremiah & Annie Moore, Grangecon

Larry O'Toole, Hartstown

Margaret Sinnott, Freynestown

Mary Murphy, Lowtown.

### Weekend Mass Times

**Stratford: Saturday 6pm**

**Baltinglass: Saturday 7.30pm**

**Sunday 11am**

**Grangecon: Sunday 9.30am**

### Weekday Mass Times

**Daily 10am St. Joseph's**

**Church Baltinglass**

**Confessions in St. Joseph's**

**Church after 10am**

**Saturday Mass**

We pray for

**Anne Nolan,**

Stratford on Slaney,

Who died during the week.

**May she rest in peace,**

Amen.

Annual Ecumenical Service  
will be held in St Mary's Church, Church  
Lane, on Sunday 15th February @ 4pm.

### Sunday 22nd February 2009

**Stratford: 6pm (Sat)**

**Baltinglass: 7.30pm (Sat):**

11am (Sun)

**Grangecon 9.30am (Sun)**

**Readers:**

Margaret Doyle

Mary Hayes

Mona Nolan

Anne Whelan

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Carmel Doyle

Paddy Rooney & Michael Lennon

Sean Connolly & Margaret Brennan

Mick Kehoe

Newsletter now available on [www.baltinglassparish.ie](http://www.baltinglassparish.ie)

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

Trocaire Mobile Phone Appeal

Please donate & recycle your  
unwanted mobile phones & help to raise much  
needed funds to support Trocaire's  
work in the developing world. Any type or  
make of mobile phone qualifies  
if working or not. Remember to remove your  
SIM card. Phones can be left into the Parish  
Office.

Carlow Regional Pioneer Meeting  
in the Parish Centre on **Frid. 20th Feb.** '09 after  
7.30pm Mass in St Joseph's Church. Refresh-  
ments will be served after the Meeting. All  
young people or anyone requiring a **silver** or  
**gold pioneer pin** contact **Mick Kehoe** **urgently**  
on **087/ 2875011**

### Used Stamps

Please drop your used stamps into the Parish  
Office as they are invaluable to St Patrick's  
Missionary Society, Kiltegan.

The Folk Group  
will participate at the 11am Mass in St Joseph's  
Church on Sunday 15th Feb. '09.

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes  
On 18th August 2009 for 5 nights. Anyone  
interested, please give your names to Elliot  
Travel by the 2nd March 2009. Phone  
059/6481722

Irish Wheelchair Association  
Annual Church Gate Collection on  
the 14th & 15th Feb. '09. The funds  
raised will help our association to  
continue and expand on a wide range  
of services for people with physical  
disabilities in Co. Wicklow.

### The Liturgy Group.

The next meeting  
will be held in the  
Parish Centre  
on Monday 16th February @ 8pm.

Scoil Naomh Iosaf, Baltinglass  
Enrolment for September 2009. Please enroll  
your children on or before April 3rd. Enrol-  
ment forms are available from the School  
Office. Enrolling early will secure a place.  
Phone the School Office on 059/ 6481083

"Special St. Vincent De Paul  
Collection for Nairobi"

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will have  
a Church door collection next weekend  
(21st/22nd February 2009) for the benefit  
of the St. Vincent de Paul Society in  
Nairobi. A special newsletter is available  
at the Church doors this weekend to give  
you full particulars of this collection. All  
monies collected, without any deductions  
or costs whatsoever, will be sent to  
Nairobi. We would ask that you give  
generously to this very worthy cause."

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje  
7 Day Pilgrimage to Medjugorje on 29th  
August. Price •659, inclusive of all taxes  
and charges. •80 deposit. Early booking  
discount of •30 if booked by 1st June.  
For further details contact Andy Murphy  
on 059/6481499.

Day Trip to Newry  
on Saturday 21st February. For further  
details contact Ger or Josie Duffy, Duffy  
Coach Hire on 059/6471681 or  
087/2543235

### Baltinglass GAA Club

Last Weeks Winning  
Numbers: 11, 19, 24, 25

**Jackpot winner:** No winner

This week's Jackpot •**3,950**

**Match three winners:** •300 each

Helen Farrell, Englishtown

**Tickets •2 each.**

**Next draw in Kehoe's Pub, Weaver Sq.,  
on Monday 16th February 2009.**

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

Wicklow County Enterprise.

With the economy in recession, many people are turning to themselves for their income. A course coming up in Blessington might be of interest to you. The course will run on Thurs.evenings for 10 weeks, starting Thurs. 5th March @ 7pm. Each class will run from 7pm to 10pm at the Avon Rí Conference Centre, Blessington. This course is heavily subsidised by Wicklow CEB. The cost to each participant is •125. Colm O' Maolmhuire from Enterprising People will be delivering the course over 10 weeks. You can reserve a place on the course by booking online at [www.wicklowceb.ie/](http://www.wicklowceb.ie/) training or phone to discuss the core modules on 0404 67100.

Painter & Decorator

**Interior & Exterior.** Damien Larkin,  
Baltinglass. **Phone:** 085/8260431

Polish Lady seeking work.

Housekeeping, cleaning, cooking, childcare,  
care for the sick or elderly. Phone 086/ 3352531

Baltinglass & District Active  
Retirement.

- 1. Bridge** will start on Wed. 18th Feb. @ 11am in the Parish Centre. (Old Lalor Centre).
- 2. Gentle Exercises** will start on Thurs. 19th Feb. in the Parish Centre @ 11am.

Dancing for Pleasure  
in O Toole Memorial Hall, Rathdangan  
on 14th Feb 2009. Time: 9:30pm to 12:00.  
Music by Knockout.  
Rambler's Galore  
in O Toole Memorial Hall, Rathdangan,  
on 20th Feb '09. Music, song, recitations,  
story telling etc.

The Judge's Inn  
Golf Society AGM on  
Monday 23rd February  
@ 8.30pm in the Judge's Inn

The Communications Group  
Will any business, Club, Voluntary  
Organisation etc. who wish to have  
an entry - free of charge - in the  
Parish Directory, please contact the  
Parish Office at 059-6481254 or  
email [admin@baltinglassparish.ie](mailto:admin@baltinglassparish.ie) with  
details of the entry required, complete  
with contact name, telephone num-  
bers, E-mail address if available.

Stay & Play - Stratford.  
Sponsored hill walk to raise funds for  
Stay & Play. People interested in  
joining us on the walk, please come to  
a meeting with Joe Moore in Stay &  
Play, Stratford on Monday, Feb. 16th  
@ 7pm.

### Newsletter

**All notices, or items of information,  
for the newsletter may be phoned or  
faxed to the Parish Office  
(059/ 6481254)  
before 12 noon on Thursdays,  
or you may send an email to  
[admin@baltinglassparish.ie](mailto:admin@baltinglassparish.ie)  
OPENING HOURS  
Monday - Friday 9.30am -1.00pm  
1.30pm - 2.30pm**

# Baltinglass Grangecon Stratford & Bigstone Newsletter

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

15th February 2009

**'Of course I want to' He said.**

Our earth is a magnet, having a magnetic north pole and a magnetic south pole. Now Jesus himself was like a human magnet, attracting people to himself, especially those who needed healing, just as in today's Gospel story where Jesus heals the leper.

Of course the leper told everyone he met of his healing, contrary to what Jesus wanted.

The leper in this story is part of myself - the part calling out to Jesus, the part reaching out in a needy way, the part needing healing.

Jesus tells us that he wants to heal us 'of course I want to' he said. This healing may come through other people and some people are healed more quickly than others.

God wants us to be happy and happiness is 80% within myself. I may be relying on other things and people for my happiness. The more content I become with my inner self the happier I will be. This is part of life's journey and everything will be made right in the end. There is only one person after death so there will be no loneliness, sickness or separation among us. Jesus the human magnet will draw all people to himself.