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all community groups, eg, sports/youth clubs, Arts, Schools, etc.

Anniversary Masses:

This weekend:

Baltinglass: 7.30pm:

Months Mind Mass of

Edward O'Toole, Tankardstown

Anniversaries:

William Crampton, Parkmore

Ambrose O'Neill, Tuckmill

*James Kelly, Late of the Green Lane &
Dublin*

Dylan Keogh, Clough

Christopher Kehoe, Irongrange

Joseph & Brigid Fagan, Parkmore

Paddy Murphy, Seskin

Jimmy & Ena Doyle, Parkmore

Lal Nolan, Rathoe

Tommy Dooley, Chapel Hill

Annie & Joseph O'Neill, Tinoran

Thomas Donegan, Kilmurray

Denis Murphy, Knockroe, Castledermot

Stratford: 6pm: (Sat)

Katie Dwyer, Las Vegas & Gibraltar

Joseph Moore, Winetavern

Grangecon: 9.30am:

Jack Keogh, Winetavern

We pray for

Esther Curry, Parkmore

Who died during the week.

May she rest in peace

Amen

Sunday 1st February 2009

Stratford: 6pm (Sat)

Baltinglass: 7.30pm (Sat)

11am (Sun)

Grangecon 9.30am (Sun)

Readers:

Annette Mangan

Fiona Carpenter

Michael Cogan

Margare Kealy

Eucharistic Ministers

Brigid Bollard

Theresa McDermott & Clare O'Neill

Catherine O'Neill & Fintan Doyle

Kay Moore

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

Day of Healing.

A day of prayer for healing, Emmanuel

House of Providence, Clonfert on **Sat.**

31st January 2009. Speakers: Fr

Michael Kennedy & Mr Eddie Stones.

Bus departs the Square, Baltinglass @

7.30a.m. via Tullow and Carlow. Bring a

packed lunch. **059/ 9151245**

or **059/ 9151120** for booking.

Come and See

Year of Vocation

Priesthood in Kildare & Leighlin

Interested? Curious?

Information afternoon.

Sunday 25th January '09

2.30pm - 5pm

Venue: Presbytery,

Dublin Road,

Carlow.

Contact: Vocations Director: Fr

Ruairi O'Domhnaill 045 434069

ruairiodomhnaill@eircom.net

Chernobyl Aid Ireland

Unwanted clothing collection. Please help by

donating clothing, towels, bed linen, curtains,

shoes & bags. Collection point outside Fatima

Hall, Baltinglass, from 9.30am to 2pm on Tues

27th Jan. Charity no. 12648 WCP/KK/393/

07 Enquiries to 087/ 3259311

Used Stamps

Please drop your used stamps into the

Parish Office as they are invaluable to St

Patrick's Missionary Society, Kiltegan.

Scoil Mhuire National School,

Stratford on Slaney.

The Board of Management are having

a fund raising Bingo in

Fatima Hall on Sunday,

25th Jan. at 3 pm. Your

support would be greatly appreciated.

BINGO

Every Monday night in

Fatima Hall @ 8.30pm.

Mount St. Anne's Retreat & Conference
Centre, Killenard, Portarlinton, Co Laois.

Commences on Thursday 5th Feb. 2009 for

10 weeks from 8pm to 9.30pm. •100 for (10

nights). Facilitated by Ms Edel Swords.

Booking essential as limited places avail-

able. Contact 057/8626153 or Email:

msannes@eircom.net

Social Afternoon

Tea & Dance at Baltinglass Golf Club @

3pm every Sunday during

February & March, starting

on Sunday 1st February. All

are welcome. All ages. Music by Bill

Kirwan. Come & have a dance & a chat.

Adm. •5.

Collectors for Grange Con for the month of
February are Peter Doyle & Anne Whelan.

The **Folk Group** will participate at the

St Brigid's Day Mass in St Joseph's

Church, on Sunday, 1st Feb. @ 11am.

New Members & Musicians welcome.

Contact Anne on 087/ 6657424.

Carlow Regional

Pioneer Meeting

will be held in the Lalor Centre on **Friday**

20th February 2009 after 7.30pm Mass in St

Joseph's Church. Refreshments will be

served after the Meeting. All young people

or anyone requiring a **silver** or **gold pioneer**

pin contact **Mick Kehoe** urgently on **087/**

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Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting will take place in

the Lalor Centre on

Tuesday, 27th January

2009 @ 8pm.

Baltinglass GAA Club

Last Weeks Winning
Numbers: 03, 04, 20, 21

Jackpot winner: Sheila
Fitzpatrick, Ballyraggan, Rathvilly.

This week's Jackpot **•3,500**

Match three winners: •45 each.
Sinead Kenny, Bawnogues, James
Cardiff, Barronstown, Kealan Kehoe,
C/O Lily Kehoe, Barronstown, Ingfa
Lennon, Parkmore, Tom Foley,
Kiltegan, Michael Patterson,
Carrigeen & Pat C/O Pat Byrne.

Tickets •2 each.

Next draw in Germaine's Pub ,Main
Street on Monday 19th January 2009.

Play online www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grangecon
GAA AGM

The AGM was held in the Clubhouse on
Sun. 18th Jan. A new committee was
elected. Thanks to the outgoing officers
for their hard work throughout the year
& good luck to the new officers. The
first executive meeting will be held on
Wed.21st Jan @ 8.30pm in the Club-
house. Anyone willing to help in anyway
please contact any committee member.
Congratulations to Joe and Ellen on the
birth of their son Fionn & Lelia and
Kieran on the birth of their daughter
Ellen Kate.

Stratford Grangecon Develop-
ment Association Community Em-
ployment Scheme have vacancy's in the
villages of Stratford & Grangecon.

Usual eligibility applies. Contact Thomas
Whittle on 087 9227051 or email
stratfordce@gmail.com

Rathvilly Garden & Flower Club
will start back on Wednesday 28th.
January at 8pm in the New St. Patrick's
Sports and Community Hall in Rathvilly.

It will be a Garden night with a Ques-
tions and Answers session with Robert
Miller of Altamont Nurseries. All are
welcome including non members. There
will be the usual cup of tea and Sales
table. Admission 5 euro.

CONGRATULATIONS TO
SCOIL CHONGLAIS STUDENTS
Denis Patterson & Shane Curry who
won the award for Senior Physics,
Mathematics and Chemistry at the
BT Young Scientists Exhibition. They
also won the Special Award for The
International Year of the Planet. This
is a tremendous achievement, one of
the top 7 awards. Everyone at Scoil
Chonglais is very proud of their
success. At the Exhibition, we were
also well represented by Students
Orla Long, Sarah Forman, &
Vivienne Pierce, who presented their
research on student learning styles. A
special word of thanks to the Stu-
dent's Teacher, Stephen Gammell, for
his work with both teams.

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**

OPENING HOURS

**Monday - Friday 9.30am -1.00pm
1.30pm - 2.30pm**

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

25th January 2009.

'Lord make me know your ways'

Each person has a unique way about them - the way they walk, the way they talk or make gestures with their hands, their facial expressions and so on.

**Well, today's psalm says 'Lord make me know your ways'.
Will we ever know and understand the ways of the Lord?
With him everything is the other way around to the ways of
the world, the rejected people being first in the ways of the
Lord.**

Each morning I need to ask the Lord to 'guide me along the right path'
to trust in him that my day will go well, that he will send the right
people my way. Remember that we only get the manna for the one
day.

How often I go astray in my thoughts, words or actions. I need to
forgive myself for this and ask the Lord to 'make me walk in your
truth! How often I stray from the truth'. How often I need to ask
forgiveness of others and of myself and isn't this why I need a Saviour
who 'shows the path to those who stray'. All I have to do is to ask in
my own unique way.

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