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

Anniversary Masses:

**This weekend:
Baltinglass: 7.30pm:
Months Mind Mass of**

*Peg Byrne, Walkinstown &
formerly of Edward Street
Jim Breen, Deerpark*

Anniversaries:

*Jack Breen, Deerpark
Kathleen Healy, Beech Avenue, Parkmore
Bernard Ward, Dublin
Patrick & Mary Kearney & their
daughter Kathleen Tyndall*

*Elizabeth Whitty, Hughestown
James Murphy, Lowtown
Nancy Lawlor, Bawnogues
John Kehoe, Newtown Saunders*

*Joseph Doyle, Parkmore
Mick Duggan, Parkmore
Stratford: 6pm: (Sat)*

Grangecon: 9.30am:

*James Murphy, Lowtown
John Kehoe, Newtown Saunders
Joseph Hamill, Knoxeters Hill*

**Presentation Prayer Garden
Mass at the Grotto 11am on Monday
4th May i.e. the May Bank Holiday.**

**Christian Meditation
every Thursday night in the Lalor Centre
from 8pm - 9pm. All are welcome.**

**Collector for Grangecon for
May is John Coogan.**

Sunday 3rd May 2009

	Readers:	Eucharistic Ministers
Stratford: 6pm (Sat)	Mary Poll	Helen O'Keefe
Baltinglass: 7.30pm (Sat)	Sean O'Reilly	Pat & Marion O'Reilly
11am (Sun)	Elaine Byrne	Tony Duffy & Kate Deans
Grangecon 9.30am (Sun)	Mairead Fenlon	Mary O'Riordan

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.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the
First Friday (1st May) in Baltinglass Church
after 10am Mass. (2 hours).**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St
Mary's Church, Stratford on Friday 1st May
from 7-8pm.**

**Exposition in Grangecon every Sunday from
3-5pm.**

Easter collection for Priests.

Sincere thanks to all for your generous
contributions & for your encouragement
& support always. **Fr. Tommy & Fr Sean.**

Trocaire Boxes.

Please return your Trocaire Boxes to any of the
Masses in the Parish. There are spare Trocaire
envelopes available at the back of the Church.

The Folk Group will participate at the 11am
Mass in St Joseph's Church, on Sund. 26th April

An Evening for Parish Baptism Teams.
Kildare & Leighlin Faith Development Services is
hosting an evening for all members of Parish Baptism
Teams in Mount St. Anne's Retreat Centre, Killenard
on Wed. May 6th @ 8pm. Bookings can be made
through FDS at 059/9164084. See www.kandle.ie for
booking details & for more information.

An Evening for Parish Liturgy Groups
will take place in Mount St Anne's Retreat Centre,
Killenard on Wednesday, May 20th @ 8pm. An
opportunity to hear stories from other liturgy groups
and to share strategies for celebrating liturgy well in our
parishes. Liturgy group bookings can be made through
FDS at 059/9164084. See www.kandle.ie for booking
details & for more information on this night.

The Carlow Kilkenny Champions for Older
People Team invites you to "Healthy Ageing" - Part 2.
A Free Public Information Day in the Springhill Court
Hotel, Kilkenny on Tues 28th April '09. Registration &
Refreshments @ 10am followed by Information Sessions
@ 10.30am. The day will be launched @ 10.15 by John
McGuinness, TD, Minister for Trade & Commerce. Guest
Speakers will discuss Creating Wills, Elder Abuse, Depres-
sion & Dementia, Keeping Safe & the launch of the
Kilkenny Directory of Services. There will be an opportu-
nity for to meet with a Consultant Geriatrician, Public
Health Nurse etc. For information contact Debbie
Kavanagh, St Luke's General Hospital,
Kilkenny on 056 7785004.

Pilgrimage to Knock

St. Catherine's Holiday Home from Frid. **24th July to
Tues. July 28th 2009.** If you wish to book, a deposit
of •50 is required & can be paid into Baltinglass
Credit Union. Total cost of trip is •185 plus travel. For
enquiries **contact Ann Lee on 059/ 6481989**

Knock Summer Youth Festival

Our Lady's Shrine, Knock, Co Mayo from the 23rd to 26th July
'09. Strictly 18 - 35 yrs. •70/ Free buses. Bring Sleeping Bag.

Youth Ministry Office: 094/ 9375035 or Shrine Office:
094/ 9388100 or Mobile: 087/ 60927850.

Web: www.knock-shrine.ie/youthfestival

First Communion/Confirmation
Souvenirs & items of interest for First Holy
Communion & Confirmation will be on sale
in the Parish Centre from 11.45am to
12.30pm on Sunday 26th April.

****Keys of Parish Centre****

Anyone who has a key to the Parish Centre (ie
former Lalor Centre) please return them
immediately to Maria in the Parish Office. This
is very important and for Insurance purposes.

Sli an Chroi

A series of talks will be given by Fr. Jim Cogley
on 27th April & 11th, 18th & 25th May at Sli
an Chroi @ 8pm. The topic will be Spiritual
Recovery & Search for Wholeness. Touching
into ones own inner authority. Taking
Responsibility for my life.

Baltinglass & District Active Retirement

Next Meeting on Wednesday 29th April
in Inis Fail @ 3pm. Speaker Elaine
Behan - Emergency Response.

Spring Break.

Enniscrone for 5 days, departing on 17th
May '09. For details contact Tony 059 8624167
087/ 2645882 or Mary on 059/ 6481078

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

7 Days, departing 29th Aug. Price •659.
Deposit •80. •30 discount on bookings
before June 1st. As an extra, a one day trip
from Medjugorje by Coach & Ferry to see the
Body of St Padre Pio in San Giovanni, visit
his Cell, his Confessional & Cross under
which he received the Stigmata. For price &
details contact Andy Murphy on

059/ 6481499

Poker Drive in Bigstone Hall
On Saturday 25th April @ 9pm. Adm. •30.
Refreshments served. Proceeds to the Bone
Marrow for Leukemia Trust.

Baltinglass GAA Club

Last Weeks Winning Numbers:
01,02,03,09.

Jackpot winner: •5,300 Pat Kearney.

This week's Jackpot **•3,500**

Match three winners: •60 each
Ned Kehoe, Newtown Saunders,
Oonagh Browne, Bawnogues,
John Timmins, Kiltegan, Marian Wafer,
& Helen Markham, Grange Con.

Tickets •2 each. Next draw in
Mc Donagh's Pub on Mond. 27th April

County Wicklow Vocational
Education Committee

Coiste Gairmoideachais Chontae Chill
Mhantáin. Child's Play. Course starts mid-
May funded by Co. Wicklow V.E.C., in
Baltinglass Adult Learning Centre. This Course
is for parents or people interested in Childcare
as a Career (will lead to a FETAC Level 3
Certification). The option of FETAC certifica-
tion provides the opportunity for a career in
childcare. Contact Annette/Maeve at Baltinglass
Adult Learning Centre 059-6482642 or 086-
8462771 for details. This course is funded by
Co. Wicklow V.E.C. Some criteria for inclusion
on Course will apply.

"Invest in your Health"

Healthy Eating/Motivation Classes, in 4 weekly
Workshops by 2 Nutritional Therapists & a Life
and Business Coach, starting April 29th @ 7pm.
Venue: RyeGrass Holistic Centre, Baltinglass.
Cost •120. Contact: Hilda Crampton, Nutritional
Therapist 087/ 2805827

Rathvilly Garden & Flower Club meet on Wed.
29th. April '09 @ 8pm in St Patrick's Sports &
Community Centre, Rathvilly. It will be a Flower
Arranging night with Christine Hughes an AOIFA
Teacher & Demonstrator. If you would like to take
part please phone 059 9161986 to order flowers etc,
or you could sit back & pick up tips. Adm •5

Judge's Inn Golf Society

Please note date changed from 1st May to 15th
May in Rathsallagh Golf Club. Time 3pm to 4pm.
Time Sheet - ring 059/ 6481794

Kiltegan Bouncing Castles
Judy's all new Bouncing Castles with slides
& Super Slide. Available to rent
Phone Pat Judy Keogh - 085 7629776

West Wicklow Gifted Childrens'
Association. Annual Outing on Sunday
May 24th @ 2pm to the Irish Peatland
Conservation Council annual fun & learning
day for all ages. (Free). Bog of Allen Nature
Centre, Lullymore, Rathangan, Co Kildare.
045/ 860133 for details. Email bogs@1pcc.ie.
Dress appropriately for weather conditions &
pack picnic. Families provide own transport
so can leave or arrive to own schedule.

SCOIL CHONGLAIS

GOLF CLASSIC on Frid. 1st May in
Baltinglass Golf Club. Costs are the same
as last year. **Team •200. Sponsor a Tee
•100. Sponsor a Green •50.** If any
individual would be interested in becoming
part of a team contact Tom. Timesheet
available - 087/ 1271696. For further infor-
mation phone 059/ 6481449.

Scoil Naomh Iosaf Easter Draw.
Parent Teacher Association & Staff of Scoil
Naomh Iosaf would like to thank everyone,
including all the sponsors, parents, pupils
who helped make their recent Easter Raffle
such a great success. The list of prize winners
are on the notice board in the school. Once
again many thanks to all concerned

GAA/into Mini Sevens

Congratulations to Marie Kealy & Amanda Mc
Geer from Grange Con N.S. who have been
successfully selected this year for Wicklow in
the GAA/INTO Mini Sevens skills.

Newsletter

**All Items of information, for the
newsletter may be phoned or
faxed to the Parish Office
(059/ 6481254)**

before 12 noon on Thursdays.

or email admin@baltinglassparish.ie

OPENING HOURS

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

Baltinglass Grangecon Stratford & Bigstone Newsletter

3rd Sunday of Easter

26th April 2009

'They recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread'.

I have memories of my Grandmother combing her long grey hair and of putting it into a bun at the back of her head. I also remember her sitting with her Prayer Book full of Novenas and the cross that she kept under her pillow.

'They recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread'.

Do I recognise Jesus at the breaking of bread? Do I realise that this is what is happening at Mass? - Jesus the WORD being shared with each of us, Jesus the BREAD - His body being broken as it was broken and as it is being broken. Sharing of the WORD and sharing of the BREAD.

'Why are you so agitated, why are these doubts rising in your hearts?' This is what the resurrected Jesus said to his disciples. But he is also saying it to each of us. We are his disciples of today.

What can I do as his disciple? Each person will have a different answer as each of us lives this gift of faith and discipleship uniquely in life.

My Grandmother prayed the Jesus Prayer constantly. May our doubts be put to rest and may each of us embrace the Resurrected Jesus. (A.S)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2009.

BAPTISM:

St Joseph's Church, Baltinglass: 3rd May @ 11.45am, 7th June @ 11.45am, 5th July @ 11.45am, @ 2nd August @ 11.45am.

CONFIRMATION

In St Joseph's Church, Baltinglass, Sunday 24th May 2009 @ 12.30pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

n Baltinglass: Sunday 10th May @ 12.30pm.
n Grangecon: Sunday 10th May @ 11am.
n Stratford: Sunday 17th May @ 11am.