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Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona Kavanagh & Anne Leigh.

Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th May.

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Mary Hayes / Marie Doyle
11am (Sun) Michael Cogan / Catherine Burke

Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Mary Whittle

Ministers of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Patricia Carwood / Rena O'Toole / Matt O'Brien
11am (Sun) John Paul Kenny / Soley Augustine / Seán & John Connolly

Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Breda Kelly



This weekend - Baltinglass 6pm

Months Mind

Johnny Shortt, Mill Street, Baltinglass

Anniversaries

John Connolly, Carrigeen

Martin Moore, Newtown Saunders

Joseph, Sheila & Willie Doyle

Jim O'Neill, Weaver Square

Pat Farrell, 3 Beech Avenue, Parkmore

Kathleen Whelan, Castleknock & Holdenstown

Joan O'Neill, Tuckmill

Ina & Patsy Burke, Belan Street

Mary Burke, Tuckmill & all deceased members of the Burke Family

Brigid O'Neill, 11 Shroughaun

Bridget O'Neill, The Wood

Grangecon: Sun. 9.30am

Brendan Harte, Barronstown

Kathleen Whelan, Castleknock & Baltinglass

Arthur O'Dwyer, Monasterevin

Elizabeth Goldsmith, Barronstown

John Kehoe, Newtown & Barronstown

Nigel Kehoe, Barronstown



Collections last Weekend
Offertory €1,472. **Dev.** €1,458.
Thanks to all who give so generously.

Weekend Mass Times
Baltinglass: Sat. 6pm & Sun. 11am.

Weekly Confessions
after 6pm Mass on Saturdays
Stratford & Grangecon
Stratford next Sunday 9.30am.

Weekday Mass Times
Daily 10am in St. Paul's Oratory,
The Parish Centre on Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

Liturgy of the Word
& Holy Communion
Monday 10am St. Paul's Oratory.

Congratulations
to the Boys & Girls from **Baltinglass**
& **Bigstone N.S.** who are receiving
their First Holy Communion this
Sunday 19th May in St. Joseph's
Church at 11am.

CEMETERY MASSES 2019

Rathbran Cemetery
Friday 28th June 7.30pm.

Knockpatrick Cemetery
Friday 5th July 7.30pm.

Baltinglass Cemetery
Sunday 4th August 3pm.

Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery
Thursday 15th August 11am.

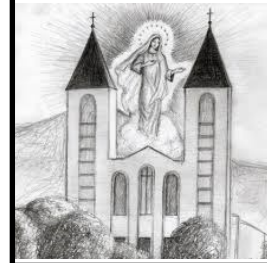
We pray for
Eileen Kearney, who died in England &
late of Hartestown
& **Hugh Coogan**, Irongrange.
May they rest in peace.



Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays in St. Paul's Oratory 10.30am - 11.30am.
Sundays in Grangecon Church 3pm - 4pm.

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



PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Thursday 29th Aug - 5th Sept. Cost €725

Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board at Hotel Wojtyla

Spiritual Director: Fr. Gerard Ahern P.P.

Contact the Parish Office on 059 64 81 254,
Fr. Ger on 087 629 8881 or Andy Murphy on 087 0900819
for details.

Accord Carlow
Pre - Marriage Courses 2019

Sept. 6th & 7th Fri. Night & Sat.

Oct. 4th & 5th Fri. night & Sat.

To reserve a place book online at
www.accord.ie For further information
please contact Mary at Accord Carlow
phone 059 91 38 738 St Catherine's Com-
munity Service Centre, St. Joseph's Road,
Carlow Email: accordcarlow@eircom.net
Counselling Service Accord offers low cost
confidential Counselling to Couples
experiencing challenges or difficulties in
their relationship. For further information
contact Mary at 059 91 38 738.

Unveiling & Blessing of Nano
Nagle Sculpture

Annette McCormack has sculpted a
stunning image of The Venerable Nano
holding forth her lantern as she strides
energetically to spread the Good News,
always going ONE STEP BEYOND. This work
was commissioned as a gesture of gratitude
from the people of Kildare. The sculpture is
located outside the 'Hands Door' of the
Parish Church adjacent to the former
Presentation Convent building. On Pente-
cost Sunday, June 9th, we will invite all the
Presentation Sisters who have served here
in Kildare to join us for the 11 o'clock Mass
after which we will have the blessing of the
sculpture. All are welcome.

Parish Family
Fun Day
Sunday 7th July 2 - 5pm
Baltinglass Parish Centre
Grounds

Rothe House & Garden

Parliament Street, Kilkenny will be holding
a plant sale on Saturday May 25th between
11am and 2pm. A limited selection of
plants will be available to purchase. A tour
of the restored Tudor garden will also take
place at 2pm hosted by our resident
gardener Mary Pyke. Both events are
admission free and all are warmly welcome
to attend.

Annual 3 Night
Pilgrimage to
Knock

on 21st July. Details
from Duffy Coach
Hire on 059 64 71 681
or 087 25 43 235.



Day Pilgrimage to Knock

15th June. Contact Duffy Coach Hire
059 64 71 681 or 087 25 43 235.

When you're having a bad day, tell some-
one. A shared burden is always lighter.

Baltinglass GAA Club

Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers

04, 09, 13, 28.

Jackpot Winner - No Winner.

This Week's Jackpot - €14,300.

Match 3 winners - €50 each.

Marie Kelly, Paddy McGuirke, Clare Kearney,
Pat Byrne, Kate Deans & Bernie Hennessy.

Next draw is on Monday 20th May in

Germaines @ 10pm. Tickets €2.

Play online - www.localotto.ie

Thanks for your constant support!

Stratford/Grange Con GAA Club

Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers

01, 10, 19, 22.

Jackpot Winner - No Winner.

This week's Jackpot - €20,000.

Match 3 Winners - €25 each.

John Boland, Bridget Cullen, Eliz McCarthy,
Roseann Byrne, Keith Doyle &

Leanne Moore, Betty Byrne, Nora Byrne,
Brigid Bollard, Gerry Bolger, Eoin O'Neill &
Family, Pat Fleming.

Seller's Prize: €30 - Danny Murphy.

Next draw in Stratford-Grange Con Club
House, Monday 20th May @ 8.45pm.

Tickets €2. Play online at

www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie

Your support is gratefully appreciated!

NEWSLETTER

Articles for the newsletter **must be received before 12 noon Thursday.** Articles can be emailed or left into the Parish Office. They must include your name & contact details.

Parish Office Opening Hours

Mon. Wed. - 9.30am - 1pm.

Tues. & Thurs. 9.30am - 1pm
& 1.30pm. - 2.30pm.

Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Friday 24th May.

Split the Pot Results

1st Prize: €100 - Patsy Doody

2nd Prize: €50 - Tony Harney

3rd Prize: €25 - Sinéad O'Moore

4th Prize: €25 - Tom & Keonan

Danny's Corner

A huge congratulations to all who were involved in the the Tearmann Garden Project.

It is an oasis of peace and tranquillity and keeps your interest from the moment you approach the entrance.

It is well worth a visit for both young and old. Well done to all involved.

Danny Doyle!



Baltinglass Parish Bingo

Every Monday night at 8.30pm
in Fatima Hall.

BALTINGLASS GROUP OF PARISHES TRACTOR RUN



At Bough Old School
in aid of
the **Lalor Centre** Baltinglass
& **Baltinglass Rectory Fund**
on Sunday 26th May at 2pm.
For details phone William
Burgess on 087 99 07 832.

Live in the moment.

If you focus on the future, you'll miss the freedom of today.

DAY TRIP TO BLOOM

Sunday 2nd June.
Further details from
Duffy Coach Hire.
Phone 059 64 71 681
or 087 25 43 235.



PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

5th Sunday of Easter

19th May 2019

'My Little Children'

Sometimes I feel that God loves everyone except me. At times like this I become anxious and fearful. When I realise it's only because of the old beliefs and teachings we held in years past, all is well again. Some people still believe in Heaven and Hell, still believe in the God of the Old Testament - the God of judgement.

Now in today's Gospel, Jesus calls his disciples 'My little children' and isn't it just beautiful. We are also his disciples so we are also his 'little children'.

Jesus came to let us know how much God loves us - yes, each of us without any conditions. This is what I need to accept fully, to know I am loved just as I am now. I have got to let go and let God love me.

'Love one another just as I have loved you'. Imagine being loved by a person who doesn't want to change one thing about you - nothing. Yes, this is our God as revealed through Jesus. We are all called to love in this way. Isn't it only wonderful?

'My little children'...!

I have no need to be anxious or fearful. God loves me....

A.S.