

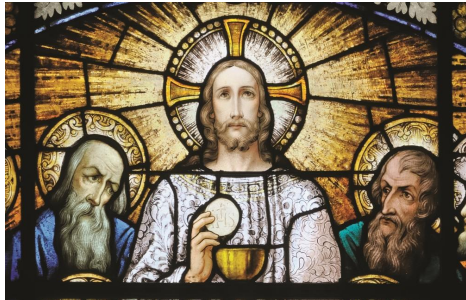


EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

A guided Holy Hour of prayer
concluding with Benediction
7.30pm from the Oratory

WEDNESDAY

Silent Adoration on Friday
after 10am Mass until 11.30am
in the Oratory



MASS

Mon. - Fri. 10am - Oratory
Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am - St. Joseph's
Church

Available on webcam
& radio 100.2fm



BALTINGLASS BRANCH

If you wish to donate to St. Vincent
de Paul (Baltinglass) to support
families in our community who are in
need, please use the following:

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

8447 8860

SORT CODE:

90 65 07

IBAN:

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WE PRAY FOR

Paul Kennedy, Chapel Hill
Jack Farrell, Birmingham & Bawnogues

MONTHS MIND MASS

Pat Bollard, Winetavern

ANNIVERSARIES

Peter Nolan, St. Joseph's Road,
Blessington

Bridget Byrne, Shroughaun

Christina Staunton, Stratford

Ann O'Reilly, Woodfield

Mary Groves, Parkmore

Fr. Tim Cronin, Grangecon

Maureen O'Keeffe, Gibraltar

James Doyle, Clough

Patrick, Olive, Elizabeth & Mary

Fleming, Shroughaun

Thomas Bookle, Irongrange

Patrick Bookle, Irongrange & London

Mary Brady, Russborough

Dan O'Neill, The Wood

Maryanne Kelly, Boleylug

*Rest in
Peace*

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS THIS WEEK

10.30 AM - 1PM
MON., TUES., WED. & FRI.

AS THE PARISH CENTRE WILL REMAIN
CLOSED, NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR
ENTRY TO THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE
IN OPERATION.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers
19, 26, 28, 28

No Jackpot Winner

This week's jackpot is €7,200

Match 3 winners: €300 each

Seamus Kavanagh

Next draw: Monday 22nd June

Tickets €2. Play online at www.localotto.ie

Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers
07, 10, 18, 28

No Jackpot Winner

This week's jackpot is €4,250.

Match 3 winners: €85 each

Dawn Moody Lawless, Pauline
Murphy, Tina Bollard.

Sellers Prize: Lisa Cashin

Next draw: Monday 22nd June

Tickets €2. Play online at
www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie

Towards Peace Facebook Page

The Towards Peace Spiritual Support
Service was established in Oct. '14 as a
service offering spiritual support for
anybody who has been abused, physically
emotionally, sexually, spiritually, in a
religious/church environment.

A new Facebook Page has been launched
at [https://www.facebook.com/
TowardsPeaceSpiritualSupportService/](https://www.facebook.com/TowardsPeaceSpiritualSupportService/)

Towards Peace Service during Covid-19 pandemic

Towards Peace Spiritual Support Service
continues to operate during the current
restrictions as a result of the Covid-19
crisis. While, face to face meetings are on
hold for the moment, should you wish to
access the Service via telephone or SKYPE,
or just seek further information, please do
not hesitate to contact the office on 086
7710533. Office hours are Mon. & Tues.
9am- 4pm Wed. 9am – 12noon.

Kildare and Leighlin Sings 'A Hymn of Hope'

Because we are not able to sing together
during these challenging times Fr Liam
Lawton is co-ordinating a Virtual
Recording with an invitation to all Church
Singers and Choirs. The Kildare & Leighlin
Virtual Choir provides an opportunity for
Singers and Choirs from all over the
Diocese to sing together on a recording
and allows people to use their skills and
talents, continuing to give joy and
encouragement to people during this time
of Lock-down and especially at a time
when Choirs etc are not able to function.
It is our intention to use all the audio
recordings that are submitted and a panel
will decide on the solo voices for the
verses, taking into consideration diversity
and community as well as the quality of
the audio. The Song chosen is "The
Cloud's Veil2 and is a song that should be
familiar to everyone. You will find all the
details on www.kandle.ie

West Wicklow Cancer Support

Our resident Mediation Facilitator
Gemma Deeney is guiding a Meditation
every Thurs. on Facebook live free of
charge. If you're interested in connecting
to the group please contact us by phone
087 43 46 004 or on Facebook/by
email westwicklow15@gmail.com

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH OPEN

Mon. to Sat. 10am to 5pm Sunday 12 to 6pm

An area at the back of the church has been prepared to facilitate safe distancing and people will only have access to this area. This is to avoid people having access to all of the church and to assist in daily cleaning.

PLEASE READ NOTICE ON INSIDE DOOR BEFORE ENTERING.

RE-OPENING OF PARISH CHURCH FOR PUBLIC MASS

It is with great pleasure that we are preparing to re-open our churches for Mass. Initially St. Joseph's Church will be open. We must endeavour to do all we can to make our church safe in the interest of everybody's health and safety. Guidelines have been issued by the Bishop which must be adhered to throughout the diocese.

Masses will resume on the weekend 4th/5th July with Mass at 6pm on Saturday and 11am on Sunday. We had been planning to have as many people as possible using 2 metre safe distancing and allowing for more than one person coming from the same household. Unfortunately after yesterday's Government announcement numbers are restricted to 50. This poses problems for us which we will have to try to overcome.

As the obligation to attend Mass on Sat/Sun is lifted at present we are recommending that people choose to attend Mass on one of the seven days of the week. Weekends could then be used by those not in a position to attend on a weekday.

BE PREPARED—IT WILL BE DIFFERENT!

- Stewards will escort you to your seat.
- The church will be filled from front to back.
- There are markers on the seat where you may sit.
- For Communion, please stand if you wish to receive. The Priest or Minister will go to your seat.
- At the end of Mass the church will empty from back to front following steward's instructions.
- While in the church, face coverings are recommended but not mandatory.
- Social distancing guidelines to be followed at all times.

PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

21ST JUNE 2020

REOPENING OF CHURCHES FOR PUBLIC MASS

In responding to the issuing of the 'Framework Document for a Return to the Public Celebration of Mass and the Sacraments' Bishop Nulty said the following....

"What we are undertaking is unprecedented. But our objective goes to the heart of who we are as a Christian community. We are readying ourselves to physically gather once more around the table of the Lord. In these past months, as a Christian community we have hungered for a presence; the presence of Christ in the gathering of the community and in the Eucharist.

While the Church has continued to live and breathe through the charitable outreach of parishes, in the setting of the domestic Church of the family, and via an extraordinary array of online Masses and prayer services, we have felt deeply the loss of this presence. As a Confirmation candidate wrote in a letter to me, 'Online Mass is good but it is even better when you get to go in real life'. We know the truth of these words.

The immediate work ahead of us is focused on bringing us back into the Eucharistic presence of the Lord and one another. This is essential to who we are as followers of Jesus. When we gather it will be different. We will need to be patient with ourselves and with one another as we come to terms with a new 'normal', an evolving way of being together. We must not undo the enormous good achieved by the sacrifices we have all made to date. As we make the necessary practical arrangements for a safe return to public worship, we must share a common commitment to maintaining safe practices in our parishes. These safe practices should not deter us from continuing to share in the mission of Christ in whatever circumstances we find ourselves.

This is a time of great challenge but it is also a time of grace, a time of new possibilities, a time of shared solidarity. God is with us, we need not be afraid." *Bishop Denis*

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

After each use of the church all seats have to be sanitised before the next Mass. Stewards are required to assist with seating & safe distancing. It is essential that we have sufficient numbers of cleaners & stewards, & to be ready when it is possible to have bigger numbers.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER BY CONTACTING

THE PARISH OFFICE 059 6481254 Mon - Fri. 10.30am - 1pm

Those who would like to help but consider themselves to be in anyway vulnerable are advised not to volunteer.