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Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona Kavanagh & Anne Leigh.

Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th July

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Myra Kearney / Jim Kearney
11am (Sun) Elaine Byrne / Mary Vernon

Grangecon: 9.30am (Sun) Mary Ross

Ministers of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Michael Lennon / Noel Kennedy / Mary Patterson / Pat Fleming
11am (Sun) Mona Nolan / Maureen Plant / Kieran Cogan

Grangecon: 9.30am (Sun) Mary Cronin



This weekend - Baltinglass

Anniversaries:

Frank Foley, Knockfield & deceased members of the Foley Family

Kate Kinsella, Parkmore House

John O'Brien, Ballynure

Michael O'Toole, Tankardstown

Alice Kinsella, Grangecon

Tommy Whittle, Rathbran

Seán Doyle, Carlow

Frank Hunt, Baltinglass

William & Esther Cullen, Newtownsaunders

Jack & Maureen Loughnane, Birr

Mary Campion, Parkmore



Stratford: Sun. 9.30am

Claire Moore, Winetavern & Ballinasloe

Joe Moore, Winetavern & Glasgow

Reek Sunday 28th July

The annual national pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick 'Reek Sunday' Sun. 28 July. Mass will be celebrated on the summit of the mountain on the hour with the first Mass at 8am and last Mass at 2pm. Confessions available on the summit from 7:30am to 2pm.

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Paul's Oratory every Fri. 10.30am - 11.30am

Grangecon Church every Sunday 3pm - 4pm.

Weekend Mass Times

Baltinglass: Sat. 6pm & Sun.
11am.

Grangecon next Sunday 9.30am.

Weekly Confessions

after 6pm Mass on Saturdays

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.

Lough Derg 2019

The Three Day Pilgrimage is currently open. You may begin on any day until Tues. 13th Aug. Advance booking is not necessary. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality. Phone Lorraine on 071 9861518 #(from NI 00 353 71 9861518)
email: info@loughderg.org

Your greatest gifts are your time and your kindness. "St. Martha"

Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie

Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

CEMETERY MASSES

Baltinglass Cemetery

Sun. 4th Aug. 3pm

Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery

Thurs. 15th Aug. 11am



National Dawn Walk For Cancer

Sat. 24th Aug. Starts at 5.45am in The Presentation De La Salle College, Bagenalstown, Co Carlow. Registration on-line www.nationaldawnwalk.com
Support of this event is appreciated.

Tearmann Garden

For sale - Organic Kale, Cabbage, Spinach, Broad Beans, Lettuce & Onions. Daily
Mon. - Fri. 9am - 12 noon.

Tai Chi & Wellness Academy

Free Open Evening Tues. 30th July from 7pm - 9pm in the Talbot Hotel presented by Rosaleen Fadden. Tai Chi / Chi Kung / Meditation. Demonstrations, Video Showings, Wellness Talk. People of all ages and levels of fitness welcome.
Phone Rosaleen on 086 0789241 or
Email: info@rosaleenfadden.com
Web: www.rosaleenfadden.com

HAY FOR SALE

26 Round Bales of Hay for sale. For further details please phone
086 88 56 497.

Pilgrim Walk

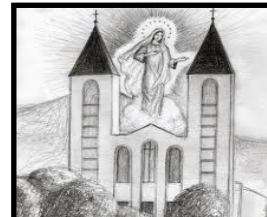
up Church Mountain Sunday 28th July.
Starting from Donard Church at 12 noon, in support of the Sophia Counselling Service .

Recruitment Information Evening

Hosted by local Clubs and Organisations, in Germaines, Inisfail, Baltinglass Mon. 2 Sept. from 6pm - 9pm. Clubs and Organisations hoping to participate should be in place by 5.30 pm. The purpose of the event is two-fold, firstly to afford Clubs and Organisations an opportunity to outline what they have to offer and how one can join or get involved, and secondly to inform the public of the many activities that are available in the area. The intention is that each group would have an information table (numbers permitting) and that members of the public would be able to discuss what is involved and how they could join or assist if they so wished. There is no charge for the event. The only requirement is that the club or organisation indicates by phone 087 81 59 090 or email to billytimminswicklow@gmail.com before 15th Aug. if they wish to attend and if you do so to be in place by 5.30pm Mon. evening 02 Sept. If you wish to start a new club or organisation you are welcome. It would be appreciated if those interested could advertise the event through their own channels. The event will cater for all within the wider Baltinglass area. Whether it's sports, history or leisure there is a lot to offer in the area.

PLACES STILL AVAILABLE TO MEDJUGORJE

Thursday 29th Aug - 5th Sept. Cost €725
Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board
Spiritual Director: Fr. Gerard Ahern P.P.
Contact the Parish Office on 059 64 81 254



Baltinglass GAA Club

Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers
13, 25, 26, 29.

Jackpot Winner - No Winner.

This Week's Jackpot - €16,400.

No Match 3 winners.

Next draw in Germaines, Main Street
on Monday 22nd July @ 10pm.

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

Thanks for supporting your Club!

Stratford/Grange Con GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers
12, 18, 27, 29.

Jackpot Winner - No Winner.

This week's Jackpot - €20,000.

Match 3 Winners

The Cogan Family, Mary Hughes,
Janet McDermott, Nora Norton.

Seller's Prize: €30 - Colette Bollard.

Next draw in Stratford-Grange Con Club
House, Monday 22nd July @ 8.45pm.

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

Thanks for your constant support!

Split the Pot Results

1st Prize: €100 - Kathleen Byrne

2nd Prize: €50 - Timmy O'Neill

3rd Prize: €25 - Pat Foley

4th Prize: €25 - Georgina Doyle

NEWSLETTER

Articles for the newsletter **must be received before 12 noon Thursday** and can be e-mailed or left into the Parish Office. Your name & contact details must be included.

Parish Office Opening Hours

Monday to Friday: 9.30am - 1pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 1.30 - 2.30pm

BALTINGLASS PARISH Fundraising Draw



1ST PRIZE: €500

2ND PRIZE: €200

3RD PRIZE: €100

4TH/5TH PRIZE: €50

6TH/7TH PRIZE: €30

ENTRY €20 OR €5 WEEKLY

DRAW FOR THOSE FULLY PAID UP BY 8TH SEPT
PROMOTERS PRIZE €50

*Draws will take place on
Sundays after 11am Mass
8th/15th/22nd/29th September
PROMOTERS WANTED*

*For Draw Cards please contact
the Parish Office. €200 to be
returned with each full card.*

PLEASE SUPPORT

Day Care Centre

Annual Sponsored Walk

Sunday 28th July. Great event for all the family. Sponsorship cards available from committee members & reception at Baltinglass Hospital.

Doris Butler (Postmistress)

wishes to advise people that the Post office will be moving premises and re-opening again in Eurospar, Main St from 1pm Monday 22nd July. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st July 2019

'It is Mary who has chosen the better part'.

"Today's Gospel".

Many people have a great need to be busy - constantly doing. Life has a way of slowing us down and of leading us eventually into quiet contemplation. This contemplation is seen in today's Gospel where Mary sat down at Our Lord's feet when he visited her home.

Martha - Mary's sister prepared the food and wasn't too happy. She said to Jesus 'Please tell Mary to help me' Now Jesus reply was 'It is Mary who has chosen the better part'. Mary contemplates Christ while Martha provides the bread. Mary offers the gift of herself and Jesus invites Martha to do likewise.

This is an ordinary simple story and it applies to each of us. We are invited not only to a life of doing but also to a life of being. The most important aspect of our doing and being is to remain centred on Christ. He wants us to open our hearts to Him, to invite Him to enter our home within, to listen and reflect on his word most especially as we celebrate the Eucharist.

God is waiting for us in the present moment, waiting for us to surrender ourselves totally to Him, to be at Home with Him like Mary as she sits in the contemplation of Christ in today's gospel story.

Ann Sayers!