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**Diocesan web site: [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)**

**Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th August**

**Ministers of the Word:**

**Baltinglass:** 6pm (Sat) Francis Balfe / Yvonne Balfe  
11am (Sun) Máire Lawless / Mary Jo Ovington

**Stratford:** 9.30am (Sun) Noreen Keogh

**Ministers of the Eucharist:**

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

**Stratford:** 9.30am (Sun) Kay Halstead



**This weekend - Baltinglass Anniversaries:**

Helen Corcoran, 9 Parkmore  
Bridie Murphy, Bawnogues  
Paschal Dunne, Belan Street  
Clement O'Toole, Main Street  
Florence McCormack, Castledermot Road  
**Grangecon: Sun. 9.30am**  
Ellen (Nellie) Germaine, Bessina  
Sandra Doyle, Mallonswood  
Tony Harte, Barronstown & Dublin  
Dan Kearney, Barronstown



**Weekend Mass Times**

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

Stratford 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

**Holy Day - Thurs. 15th August**  
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin.

Vigil Mass - Wednesday 14th August  
St. Joseph's Church at 7.30pm  
**Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery**

**National Grandparents Pilgrimage**  
Sunday Sept. 8th. Anointing of the Sick at  
2.30pm, Mass at 3pm, followed by the  
Rosary. **Celebrants:** Bishop Kevin Doran of  
Elphin and Apostolic Nuncio Archbishop  
Jude Thaddeus Okolo.

**National Dawn Walk for Cancer**  
Sat. 24th Aug. at 5.45am in the Presentation  
De La Salle College, Bagenalstown. Registra-  
tion online [www.nationaldawnwalk.com](http://www.nationaldawnwalk.com)

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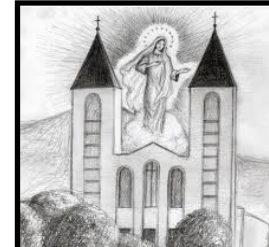
**West Wicklow Classic & Vintage Vehicle Club**

run the 10th Annual Baltinglass Classic Run Sun. Aug 11th. The run departs at 2pm but cars will be on display in the streets beforehand for all to view. The event is in aid of West Wicklow Day-care in Baltinglass and Solas special class for Autism in Dunlavin. Classic cars & bikes & any interesting vehicles welcome. Entry - €20 & includes dinner afterwards, goodie bag etc. Registration from 10:30 AM in Germaines. Donations will be accepted at the registration desk if members of the public want to donate. Please come along and see all the cars and bikes or give us a wave as we pass on the run.

**Family BBQ Fundraiser for Stratford Community Shop & Café**  
at the Community Centre/Scallywags Sun. 25th Aug. 2 - 5pm. €10 per adult. Children free BUT must be accompanied by an adult.

**CLEANER AVAILABLE**

Please phone Kate 086 86 71 926.



**PLACES STILL AVAILABLE TO MEDJUGORJE**

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

Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board.

For Information contact:

Fr. Gerard Ahern P.P. 087 6298881

Andy Murphy 087 0900819 or Parish Office 059 64 81 254

**National Heritage Week**  
**17-25 August 2019**

**Baltinglass - A Street Walk**

20th Aug. 6:30pm - 8:30pm.

Baltinglass Heritage Committee meet at O'Reilly's Filling Station, Parkmore. Join a street walk down memory lane on this walking tour. Visit local shops & buildings & discover more about their fascinating history & former uses. Walk finishes at St. Joseph's Church. Adm. Free. Suitable for Children U 12. Wheelchair Access (Partial). Car Parking available. For details phone 087 81 59 090.

**The Hillforts of Baltinglass**

22 Aug. 7pm - 8:15pm

Baltinglass Courthouse Heritage Group  
The Courthouse, Weaver Sq. Baltinglass  
A talk by Alan Hawkes, Archaeologist on the archaeological significance of the Baltinglass Hillfort complex with special reference to the most recent discoveries supported by Wicklow County Council. Admission free. Suitable for Children U 12. Wheelchair Access (Partial). Car Parking available. For further Information phone 087 81 59 090 or [dburns@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:dburns@wicklowcoco.ie)

**Big Dig in Baltinglass**

24 August, 11am - 4pm.

**BOOKING REQUIRED.**

Wicklow Heritage Office, The Courthouse,  
Weaver Sq. Adm. Free.  
To book contact [info@sia.ie](mailto:info@sia.ie)  
Parking available. Suitable for Children U12.  
Further Information - [dburns@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:dburns@wicklowcoco.ie)

We pray for  
**Joe Plant**, Parkmore  
&  
**Bridget Foley**, Parkmore & Dunlavin  
who have died recently  
May they rest in peace



**Feast of St. Clare - Mon. 12th Aug.**

Mass with the Poor Clare Sisters celebrated by Bishop Nulty in St. Clare's Church, Graiguecullen at 10am. Blessing with the 1st Class Relic of St. Clare. All welcome to visit the Sisters & enjoy a cuppa.

**Youth 2000**

The Youth 2000 Summer Festival will be held from 15th - 18th August, at Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare. The Youth 2000 Summer Festival is both Youth 2000's largest event and the largest Catholic youth event in Ireland with over 1,000 attending. There are free buses going from all around Ireland. For more information and to book your place visit <http://youth2000.ie/>

## Baltinglass GAA Club

### Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers **02, 11, 16, 23.**

**Jackpot Winner** - No Winner.

This Week's Jackpot - € 17,000.

**Match 3 winners - €40 each.**

Tony Mullen, Phil Carass, The Sinnott Grandchildren, Elisha Ryan, Kevin O'Toole, Seán Gethings, Patricia Foley & Bernard Bowes.

**Next draw** is in Germaines, Main St. on Monday 12th August at 10pm.

Tickets €2. Play online - [www.localotto.ie](http://www.localotto.ie)

## Stratford/Grange Con GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers 19, 20, 23, 24.

**Jackpot Winner** - No Winner.

This week's Jackpot - €20,000.

**Match 3 Winners €65 each.**

Shirley Jackson, Caoimhe Moore, Mona O'Toole & Josie Duffy.

**Seller's Prize: €30** - Lisa Carty.

**Next draw** in the Clubhouse on Monday, 12th August at 8.45pm. Tickets €2. Play online - [www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie](http://www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie)

### Split the Pot Results

**1st Prize:** €100 - Buddy Smithers

**2nd Prize:** €50 - Mary O'Sullivan

**3rd Prize:** €25 - Brigid O'Reilly

**4th Prize:** €25 - Mary Gahan

## BALTINGLASS PARISH

# Fundraising Draw

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE: €500

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE: €200

3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE: €100

4<sup>TH</sup>/5<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE: €50

6<sup>TH</sup>/7<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE: €30



**ENTRY €20 OR €5 WEEKLY**

DRAW FOR THOSE FULLY PAID UP BY 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPT  
PROMOTERS PRIZE €50

## 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, Wednesday, Friday:** 9.30 - 1pm  
**Tuesday & Thursday** 9.30 to 1pm & 1.30 to 2.30.

### Baltinglass Community Development 2025 - Fundraiser Race Night

Friday 23rd August 9pm in Timmins' Pub.  
Your support would be appreciated.

### A Weekend of Remembrance

in Rathdangan Sept. 7th & 8th for **Peter 'Coney' Byrne**. Walk/Run Sat. 7th Sept. at 5pm. Tractor Run Sun. 8th Sept. at 2pm in Rathdangan Village.

### Danny's Corner

Sincere thanks to St. Mary's Parish Churches, Baltinglass & Rathvilly for their generous donation of €3,155 which they raised by their annual tractor run. Their support is appreciated.

### Seeking a Childminder

to collect & drive two children from school, Kiltegan area & mind in the children's home Tues. & Thurs. afternoons with the possibility of some Wed.'s 3-6 p.m. Non-smoker please. If interested please phone 087 27 95 066.

*Sincere thanks to all those who have already volunteered as promoters.*

*Thanks also to those who have supported the draw.*

*We would really like to make the most of this fundraising effort (the only parish fundraiser in the year). We therefore need as many promoters as possible. Perhaps you would consider taking one card to sell.*

*In so doing you would be raising €200 for the parish.*

*Please contact the Parish Office for cards.*

*First Draw Sunday 8th September*

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th August 2019

**"The Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."**

Today's Gospel.

Many people search for their place in the world - a niche where they are happy and contented making their contributions to society, to life in their parish, to family and friends... whatever. We may never know what effect our lives have on others but hopefully it is all good and positive. We learn from each other and we are all invited to find the way of life which is unique and growthful for each of us.

Today's Gospel says "The Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect". What does this mean to you? We are not the source of our own lives nor is anything in creation its own source. The Son of Man - Jesus reveals himself to us at times we do not expect it - in those wonderful shared or solitary moments - the memory of which can keep us going in difficult times.

We are invited to be ready and waiting, so as not to miss out on the workings of God in our lives, to be thankful for all we have been given, for opportunities that arise, for friends and family. We are called to surrender our lives totally to God. This has to be done over and over again each moment of every day.

**"You must stand ready." Gospel.**

'Ann Sayers'