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Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona Kavanagh & Anne Leigh.

## Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 7th Sept. & Sunday 8th Sept.

## Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Una McKeever / Tommy Doyle

11am (Sun) Chris Murray / Janet Gorman

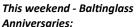
Grangecon: 9.30am (Sun) Anita O'Hara

Ministers of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Clare O'Neill / Theresa McDermott / Seamus Kelly

11am (Sun) Mary Vernon / Bernie Kilcoyne / Mary Burke

Grangecon: 9.30am (Sun) Mick Kehoe



Brigid Millett, Lathaleere
Bill Dwyer, Gibraltar
Nora Lennon, Parkmore
William Dwyer, Gibraltar
Jim McEntee, Bawnogues
Seamus Hunt, Parkmore
John Cullen, Parkmore
Mary Murray, Broadstown
James Doherty, Carrigeen
Paddy Hughes, Parkmore
Mary Miley, Ballyraggan
Stratford: Sun. 9.30am



### **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

# Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Island

**Sunday 8th September** 

Departing Baltinglass at 2.45pm, Kiltegan 3pm, Hacketstown 3.15pm, Rathvilly 3.40pm & Tullow 4pm.

# **Pilgrimage to Knock**

Sunday 29th September.

## **Tour to Killarney**

Mon. 16th - Fri. 20th September.
Staying in the Gleneagle Hotel.

If interested in any of the above please phone Duffy's Coach hire on

059 64 71 681 or 087 25 43 235.

## Kildare / Carlow Pilgrimage

(last remaining seats) October 10th 2019 ex Dublin. 7 nights for Feast of Miracle of the Sun. Mass in Santarem where the bleeding host took place and Prayers, Mass and Hungarian Stations of the Cross in Fatima. Also, two trips to the seaside and Tour of Lisbon. Contact James Treacy 086 05 72 216.

### **National Grandparents Pilgrimage**

Sunday September 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.

## **Day of Prayer for Healing**

Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert Sat. 7th September. Speakers: Fr. Ml. Kennedy and Eddie Stone. Bus departs Church Car Park at 8am sharp via Killerig Cross, Closh Stores and bus stop Barrack Street, Carlow. Bring packed lunch. To book a seat phone Lily on 059 91 51 245.

As our schools re-open this week I wish pupils and staff all the best for the new academic year. I look forward to meeting and getting to know all of them.

Fr. Ger.

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

## **Collectors in September in Baltinglass**

Saturday 6pm

Main Aisle: Billy Norton / Liam Burke

**Convent Aisle:** Jim Kearney **Lalor Aisle:** Kathleen Hanlon

Sunday 11am

Main Aisle: Garrett Byrne / Seán Smith

**Convent Aisle:** Jimmy Humphries **Lalor Aisle:** Geraldine Reilly

## **Tearmann Community Garden**

Produce for sale this week. Tomatoes, Onions, beetroot, courgettes, cabbage, kale, spinach, herbs, grapes, eggs, potatoes. Call to the garden Monday to Friday from 9am to 12 noon.

#### **West Wicklow Environmental Network**

If you live in West Wicklow & are concerned or have a passion for your environment, you are invited to come to a meeting of like minded people, in the Courthouse in Baltinglass on Friday 6th September at 7pm.

#### **Ruth Shine School of Dance**

registration for new & returning students Wed. 4th Sept. from 4-5pm in the Parish Centre. Ballet and modern classes. Boys and Girls ages 3+. RAD and ISTD Registered School.

#### **Anam Cara South Dublin -**

Organisation that Supports Bereaved Parents are holding a Parent Support Event 9th Sept. at 7:20pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown way, Tallaght. This event is free & open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. For details ph. 085 2888 888. or anamcara.ie

#### **Split the Pot Results**

**1st Prize:** €100 - Patsy Doody. **2nd Prize:** €50 Tony Harney. **3rd Prize:** €25 - Len O'Connell **4th Prize:** €25 - Harry Farrell.

#### Six Week Block of Yoga Classes

in The Lalor centre Baltinglass, Sundays 11am to 12noon. Phone Trish on 087 05 32 183.

## Traditional Music For Pleasure Seisiun

Are you interested in playing in a weekly traditional music for pleasure seisiun. Starting Tues. 17th Sept. from 11am - 12.30 for the winter months in Baltinglass. All musicians welcome. For details phone 087 74 62 107.

### **Take your business online**

It's easier than you think. Rachel Kane is your local digital design consultant, get in touch for quality design to match your budget, no jargon - no code - just solutions! Contact by email at hello@lifehack.ie web: <a href="www.lifehack.ie/projects">www.lifehack.ie/projects</a> Phone 087 783 0159.

# Baltinglass & District Active Retirement

**Coffee Mornings** for September in Germaines, every Fridays at 11am.

September Outing to Mount Congreve Estate & Gardens, Waterford Thursday, September 19th. Bus departing Weaver's Sq. at 10.30am. Phone Mary - 087 29 99 571. Seats available. Cake Sale & Coffee Morning in aid of St Brigid's Hospice, Kildare. Date to be confirmed later.

Activities: Bowling continues Tuesdays 3pm – 5pm in Fatima Hall - beginners welcome.

Bridge Club resumes Wednesday 11th September in The Parish Centre 10.30am –12md.

Beginners are particularly invited to come along.

**Yoga Classes** are being planned for October. Details end of September at the next meeting.

# Would you like to work in Healthcare?

Dreamed of working in a nursing home, hospital or doing home help? This could be the course for you.....Healthcare Support (KW2EW S97) which will run in Baltinglass over 41 weeks. This course is free to those eligible and ran under KWETB. If interested please take the first step & contact us via email: trainingcourses@kwetb.ie or call 087 09 67 146.

## **Baltinglass GAA Club**

**Lotto Results** 

Last Week's Winning Numbers 10, 15, 18, 19.

No winner - This Week's Jackpot - €6,400.

Match 3 winners - €100 each.

Pat Barrett, Bridget Dooley & Tom Whelan. **Next draw** is in Germaines on Mon. 2nd Sept. at 10pm. Tickets €2. Play online - www.locallotto.ie

# Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers 04, 08, 13, 17. CONGRATULATIONS TO JACKPOT WINNERS - Joan Sheerin & Rory Joyce (sharing €20,000).

This week's Jackpot - €12,000. Match 3 Winners €50 each.

3 Little Sparrows, Joe & Jackie Hanbidge, Eva Breen, Shots + DD, Pam Nicholson. Seller's Prize: €30 - Fishers.

**Next draw** is in the Clubhouse Monday, 2nd September at 8.45pm. Tickets €2.

## **Stratford Grangecon GAA Club**

invite tenders for building works at the club house grounds in Stratford on Slaney. Email secretary.stratford.wicklow@gaa.ie for tender documents and information or ring club secretary 087 06 44 241. Tender return date is Sept. 9th.

# Baltinglass Credit Union Calendar Cover Competition

The competition requires that members send in photos or drawings that best represents them - 'My Community, My Credit Union', with the chance of being the cover of our 2020 calendar. There is a €150 One4All voucher to be won. Entries can be sent in via our social media or via our email on marketing@baltinglasscu.ie. The competition closing date is 21st Sept.



## **HAVE YOU GOT YOUR TICKET?**

First Draw next Sunday after 11am Mass.

Tickets available in Parish Office.

Thanks to all our promoters and all who have already supported the draw.

We ask promoters to return their cards to the Parish Office by 12 noon on Friday.

## **Lights Drama Action Stage School**

Now enrolling. 4 - 12 year olds. 8 week terms: €60 per child, €100 for 2 children. Instilling creativity and confidence in children. Sing, dance, act etc. Beginning the week of 9th to 13th Sept. €5 introductory offer for the First class. Venues: Blessington St. Joseph's Hall Mon. 6pm - 7pm; Baltinglass Fatima Hall Tues. 5.30pm - 6.30 pm; Ballymore Band Hall Wed. 6pm - 7pm.

To secure your child's place please phone Emilie on 085 27 91 939 or contact Facebook: Lights Drama Action or send an Email to lights. drama.action.stageschool@gmail.com

# **Prayer at the Ploughing 2019**

Bishop Denis is asking people all around the diocese, as part of the Ploughing Championship, to choose the prayer they like most, such as the Rosary or the Lord's Prayer. Perhaps a prayer learnt at their mother's knee or handed down ó ghlúin go glúin in their family.

He is also inviting people to submit a personal prayer (no more than 100 words) about the environment which they compose themselves. This new environmentally centred prayer could relate to farming, gardening or sustainability.

People can submit their preferences and entries to prayerattheploughing@kandle.ie between now and 10 September. Alternatively you are welcome to post them to him at Bishop's House, Dublin Rd., Carlow.

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

**BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD** 

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st September 2019

## **SEASON OF CREATION**

After the hottest July on record, it's time to fight back against climate change as we care and give thanks for the world God has made. We can do that by joining Pope Francis and the Church as Catholics and fellow Christians worldwide celebrate the Season of Creation, September 1 to October 4.

# **Prayer for the Earth (Pope Francis)**

All-powerful God,

you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love,

that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives,

that we may protect the world and not prey on it,

that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain

at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,

to be filled with awe and contemplation,

to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature

as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace. AMEN.

For more information see: seasonofcreation.org on www.kandle.ie