Parish Team: Fr. Ger Ahern: 059 - 64 82 768. Sr. Eileen Deegan. Parish Office: 059 - 64 81 254. - Email: admin@baltinglassparish.ie Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona Kavanagh & Anne Leigh.

Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 21st Sept. & Sunday 22nd Sept.

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Micheál Lalor / Fiona Dunne 11am (Sun) Elaine Byrne / Mary Vernon Grangecon : 9.30am (Sun) Kieran Hosey



Ministers of the Eucharist:

 Baltinglass:
 6pm (Sat) Michael Lennon /Noel Kennedy /Mary Patterson /Pat Fleming 11am (Sun)

 Grangecon:
 9.30am (Sun)

This weekend - Baltinglass Anniversaries:

Turlough Quinn, Tuckmill Jim & Lizzie Nolan, the Wood Joe Quirke, Parkmore *Stratford*: Sun. 9.30am

Les Halstead, Ballinacrow & all deceased members of the Hanly Family Jack Byrne, Randalstown, Stratford Anne Humphreys, Whitestown Martin Kane, London & formerly Stratford

> Pilgrimage to Knock Sunday 29th September. Phone Duffy's Coach Hire on 059 64 71 681 or 087 25 43 235.

SPONSORSHIP FOR A SYRIAN FAMILY

Thanks to the very generous offers of collaboration at last week's highly successful information evening in Germaine's, we will be able to offer Community Sponsorship to a Syrian refugee family. So we continue the Baltinglass tradition of warmly welcoming people in extreme need. If anyone else would like to be involved in this exciting project many different small tasks will be needed - please contact Maire on 083 03 62 325 or email maire.lawless@btinternet.com

West Wicklow Voices

'The French Connection' in St. Joseph's Church -**Culture Night** on Friday 20th September 7.30 - 9pm. Admission Free.

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.

12th Annual Baltinglass Lions Club

Falling leaves cycle tour Sat. 28th Sept. in aid of the Baltinglass Hospital Patients Comfort Fund. Registration at Baltinglass GAA Club House at 9.15am. Starts at 10am. 70km route. €20. Mini cycle 16k to Kiltegan, leaving at 10.30. Any queries please contact 087 98 50 886. All welcome.

Pre-Marriage Courses

Couples getting married in the Catholic church are required to attend a Pre-Marriage Course. ACCORD Carlow courses are Jan 10th & 11th, Feb 7th & 8th, March 6th & 7th 2020 To reserve a place book on line www.accord.ie Newsletter now available on www.baltinglassparish.ie Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

Baltinglass & District Active Retirement

Outing for September to Mount Congreve Estate and Gardens Waterford, Thursday 19th September. Bus departing Weaver's Square at 10.30am. For further details please phone Mary on 087 29 99 571.

Cake Sale and Coffee Morning in aid of St. Brigid's Hospice, Kildare, on Friday 27th Sept. at 11am in The Golf Club. Members are invited to bring some cakes and bakes. All welcome. **Coffee Mornings for September** in Germaine's, each Friday at 11am.

The Irish Cancer Society

run a free transport programme for patients struggling to get to chemotherapy appointments. We are struggling to get referred patients to hospitals as demand for the service grows on a monthly basis so we are doing a national volunteer driver recruitment. Please note that all drivers get their expenses back (0.24cens per km, €8 towards some food and all read tolls are paid) and the corvice is

all road tolls are paid) and the service is completely free to the patient. Patients are identified as being in need by the hospital social workers / nurses and referred to the service for transport to and from treatments.

Split the Pot Results

1st Prize: €100 - Bruno 2nd Prize: €50 - Mary Moore 3rd Prize: €25 - Ann Dunne 4th Prize: €25 - Steward O'Moore

Danny's Corner

Our traditional music and dancing session will resume Thurs. 26th Sept. at 2pm. Please join us for an afternoon of music and craic and a cuppa after in the Lalor Centre.

Congratulations

to Joe and Mary Ryan Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow who celebrated their 69th Wedding Anniversary on Monday 2nd September.

Eist Cancer Support Centre Carlow

will hold a 'Survivors and Supporters 5K Walk through Nature' Sat. 21st Sept. starting at 2 pm in Rathwood Garden Centre Tullow. €10 entry fee (€20 for family of 4) payable on the day. Proceeds go to Eist Cancer Support Centre. There will be a Talk on 'Quality of Life for People Living with and beyond Cancer' presented by Dr. Conor Murphy (St. James Hospital) Surgical Research Fellow in the Talbot Hotel, Carlow Wed. 18th Sept.. Doors open at 7 pm - information stands on display - talk at 8 pm followed by Q & A. For details phone the Eist Centre on 059 91 39 684.

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.

Medjugorje Weekend Retreat

In Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo Fri. - Sun. 25th - 27th October. Conducted by Fr. Mirinko Sakota, Parish Priest, Medjugorje. Enquiries to Teresa on 085 78 39 388 or Bernadette on 086 81 96 653.

Barrow Consultancy and Training Ltd

High Street, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow. T: 059 9721416W: www.barrowtraining.ie Are you going to the Ploughing this year? Come visit us at Block No: 2, Row No: 20, Stand No: 438. We have competitions, special offers and free goodies – we look forward to seeing you there on the 17th, 18th and 19th September.





RESULTS FOR SUNDAY 8TH SEPTEMBERWINNERPROMOTER00Mick Kehoe, GrangeconMick Kehoe00Peter Gorman, HoldenstownPaula Whelan

€100 Cecilia Gahan, Rathoe Mary Vernon
 €50 Denise Germaine, Graney Parish Office
 €50 Maureen Plant, Parkmore Maureen Plant
 €30 Noel Fagan, Baltinglass Mags Byrne
 €30 Tom Brady, Blessington Parish Office
 Fully Paid Elaine Murray, Broadstown Mary Hanlon

Kay Moore, Grangecon

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Baltinglass GAA Club

Lotto Results Last Week's Winning Numbers 01, 02, 20, 23. No winner - This week's jackpot - €6,800. Match 3 winners - €150 each. Kevin O'Neill & Philip Hughes. Next draw is in Horan's Bar & Restaurant, Main Street on Mon. 16th Sept. at 10pm. Tickets €2. Play online - www.locallotto.ie

Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers 07, 11, 13, 15. CONGRATULATIONS TO JACKPOT WINNER James Barrett, Manger, Stratford (€12,250). This week's jackpot €3,000. Match 3 Winners €20 each. Eilisha McCann, David Kinsella, Inese & Co, Theresa Curran, Tara McCormack, Patrick Linnane Snr, Juleen Kenny, Margaret Kearney, Frank Kavanagh, Jim O'Neill, Bridget Kelly, John Reilly, Mandy Clare & Cecilia Carton. Seller's Prize: €30 - A Daisy A Day. Next draw is in the Clubhouse on Monday, 16th September at 8.45pm. Tickets €2.

Stratford Grangecon GAA Golf Classic

in Rathsallagh Sat. 21st Sept. €180 for team of 4. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd teams. Special Prizes for longest drive and nearest to the pin. Lots of special prizes on the day. Contact David Byrne to book Tee time - 087 97 21 269 and to sponsor a tee €50. Contact Ellen on 086 16 15 195.

PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

15th September 2019

Celebrate Every Day

Make every day a day to celebrate life and be thankful. Look to everyday as a day of new beginnings, opening your heart to positive hope and unlimited potential.

Take time to pull yourself away from all the noise and just look around you. Take inventory. Appreciate those who have enhanced the quality of your life, and remember that they have been a gift to you. Also remember that you are a gift to them too.

Be grateful for the choices you've made, both good and bad. Accept your mistakes, you can't change them anyway. Apply what you have learned and go on. Use these lessons to help with your other decisions in life. Appreciate yourself and your own uniqueness.

Go outside and look at the sky. Soak in the atmosphere. Enjoy the colours of the landscape. Feel the textures of every place you are and be thankful. Smile at the world. Don't allow negative feelings to creep into your consciousness. Feel the power of your own acceptance. Put a positive spin on every thought you have.

> Make every day special. Own it. Enjoy it. Bask in the glory of life. Appreciate the gift of your own life.



Visit Our Lady Queen of Peace Medjugorje Slaney & Suir - Retail & Business Block 2 - Row 28 - Stand 644 Unit 26

National Ploughing Championships

September 17-19 Visit the

Diocesan Stand

399, Block 3, Row 18

Bishop Denis and the diocesan team are looking forward to welcoming people into the diocesan stand throughout the ploughing. Come in for a cuppa, a chat, some blessed salt and more. Prayer at noon each day. View people's favourite prayers submitted to the diocese over the past few weeks.

> Digging Deeper Rooting for Christ