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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 28th Sept. & Sunday 29th Sept.

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Pat Dunne / Jane Keogh

11am (Sun) Mona Nolan / John Paul Kenny

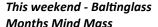
Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Mary O'Keefe

Ministers of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Bernie Doogue / Pat Dunne / Mary Hayes

11am (Sun) Mary Gohery / Therése Kelly / Catherine Lord

Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Breda Kelly



Elizabeth (Betty) McDermott, Chapel Hill

Anniversaries:

Pat Sleator, Parkmore Michael & Julia Patterson, Main Street Margaret Foley, Belan Street Sarah (Sally) & Tony Hudziak, Graney West Lacey Family, Graney West Mary Brady, Parkmore Kathleen Doyle, Clonmore Joan Delaney, Carlow Luke & Frances McDonnell, Main Street Phyllis Redden, Tinoran

Grangecon: Sun. 9.30am Johnny Patrick Carroll, 13 Mallenswood Bridget Kealy, Knocknamuc

We pray for

Tom Flood, The Rocks, Grangecon who died during the week. May Tom rest in peace.



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



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.

Medjugorje Weekend Retreat

in Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo Fri. - Sun. 25th - 27th Oct. Conducted by Fr. Mirinko Sakota, Parish Priest, Medjugorje. Enquiries to Teresa on 085 78 39 388 or Bernadette on 086 81 96 653. Accommodation must be booked privately.

Cleaner Available

Mornings only. Please phone Kate on 086 86 71 926.

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

Relic of Pope St John Paul II

We are privileged to welcome a Relic of St. John Paul II to the Cathedral on Sat. 28th Sept. for 10am Mass. The Relic will be available for veneration after Mass.

THE PASSION PLAY IN OBERAMMERGAU 2020 - 7th - 14th August 2020

Every ten years the villagers of Oberammergau put on their renowned Passion Play. This has happened since the village was preserved from the plague in the 17th century. A €200 refundable deposit is sought as an expression of interest as soon as possible. Full details can be viewed on our parish website at www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie For further information please contact Rathvilly Parish Office on 059 91 61 114 or Tully's Travel, Carlow.

12th Annual Baltinglass Lions Club

Falling leaves cycle tour Sat. 28th Sept. in aid of 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. Please contact 087 98 50 886 for details. All welcome.

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:- 9.30 to 1pm & 1.30 to 2.30

PLEASE NOTE: The Office will be closed this Thursday, 26th September.

Baltinglass & District Active Retirement

Next meeting will take place Wednesday 25th September at 3pm in Germaines. New members welcome to attend. Cake Sale and Coffee Morning in aid of St. Brigid's Hospice Kildare, on Friday 27th September at 11am in The Golf Club. Members are invited to bring some cakes and bakes. All welcome.

A Massive Thank You

to all those who helped make the recent 'Remembering Peter Coney Byrne' events such a success! It was another tremendous show of community support and community spirit, thank you one and all! Peter was one of a kind, he is greatly missed and will never be forgotten.

Carlow COPD Support Group

AGM in Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow 2.30pm Tues. 24th Sept.. Mr Paddy Grimes from COPD Support Ireland will address the meeting. It is important all members attend to review the past year & plan activities for 2020. New members welcome.

Caring for Our Common Home

What we can do in home and parish

An Afternoon Gathering as part of the Season of Creation in An Gairdín Beo, a living garden for Carlow, Old Dublin Road, Carlow (beside St Leo's College) Sat. 5 Oct. 2.30 p.m. – 5 p.m. Registration at 2.15 p.m. Booking advised as spaces are limited fds@kandle.ie 059 91 64 084. Individual registration welcome. Run & hosted by Kildare and Leighlin Diocese in conjunction with Trócaire.



RESULTS FOR SUNDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

| | WINNER | PROMOTER |
|------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| €500 | Pat & Kay Gahan, Goldenfort | Kay Halstead |
| €200 | Liz & Dessie Edwards, Coolinarrig | Mags Byrne |
| €100 | Eliz. & Sarah Kelly, Graigue | Eileen Kelly |
| €50 | Mick Kehoe, Grangecon | Mick Kehoe |
| €50 | Joan Kinsella, Rampere | Mick Kehoe |
| €30 | Laurence O'Donnell, Ballinacrow | Kay Halstead |
| €30 | Fiona Dunne, Corballis | Rena O'Toole |
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Promoter's Breda Kealy, Grangecon

Prize: €50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers 09, 18, 13, 20. No Jackpot Winner. This week's jackpot €3,250. Match 3 Winners €35 each.

Tara McCormack, Kevin & Mike Moore,
The Mann Family, Tommy Nolan, Jane Breen,
Frank Kavanagh & the 3 Little Sparrows.
Seller's Prize: €30 - Danny Murphy.

Next draw is in the Clubhouse on Monday, 23rd
September at 8.45pm. Tickets €2.

Play online - www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie

Baltinglass GAA Club

Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers 4, 9, 13, 29.

No winner - This week's jackpot - €7,000. Match 3 winners - €100 each.

Marie Kelly, Ciaran Murphy & Pat Byrne. **Next draw** is in Germaines on Monday, September 23rd at 10pm.

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

Split the Pot Results

1st Prize: €100 - Paddy Fleming 2nd Prize: €50 - Bernace Lennon 3rd Prize: €25 - Sinead McGeer 4th Prize: €25 - Catherine O'Neill

Rathvilly & Castledermot Garden & Flower Club

monthly meeting in Teach Diarmada Thurs. 26th Sept. 7.30 pm. To start off our season June Blake, Blessington will prepare & inspire us for the seasons ahead. June has a magnificent garden in Tinode & is an excellent plants person & designer. We look forward to hearing her talk, watching slides & acting on her gems of wisdom. Followed by our usual raffle, tea, biscuits & chat. Entry €5. Raffle €5. All are welcome to attend.

Ruth Shine School of Dance

RAD/ISTD Ballet Classes Baltinglass Parish Centre, Friday's. Ages 3+. Contact Ruth on 086 40 62 618.

KILDARE & LEIGHLIN MINISTRY DAY

Day of Prayer and Reflection

for all involved in Parish Ministry led by Fr. Martin Delaney on Sat. 12th Oct. Mount St. Anne's, Killenard 10.30am—4pm

Places are limited.

Book with

Faith Development Services Carlow 059 9164084 €10 per person.

PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd September 2019

"There should be prayers offered for everyone, petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving"

I was in the Church today with my little niece who is 6. Full of joy she lit candles for Betty, Jake and many more. St. Paul tells us today that 'there should be prayers offered for everyone, petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving'.

When the disciples asked Jesus how to pray he recited the Our Father. It is wonderful to pray this prayer slowly and meaningfully from our hearts. It is a prayer of praise, of wonder and delight, of requesting our daily bread, of surrender of our lives, of forgiveness, reconciliation and protection.

God knows all our needs and he knows us through and through. He loves us to come to him just as we are. We need to take time to do this each day so as to recharge and renew our Spirits and lives.

St. Paul says 'I want men and women to lift their hands up reverently in prayer'. Many people would get a fright at the thought of doing that but is is very freeing. Our Father who art in Heaven ...and Heaven is in your heart. Our Father is in your heart. My niece prayed for her brothers to be a bit nicer, but most especially she prayed for Betty and Jake - the Cat & the dog.

Ann Sayers!

Harvest Thanksgiving will be celebrated at Masses in

Baltinglass Church: Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th Sept.

Stratford: Sunday 29th. at 9.30am. (in the Community Garden weather

Permitting). Animals will be blessed at this Mass.

Grangecon Church: Sunday 6th Oct. 9.30am

It's our communal 'Thank You' to our Creator God for the wonderful variety of the fruits of the harvest which nourish and sustain us throughout the year. It's also an opportunity to thank God for the harvest of good works and the involvement of so many individuals, groups and organizations across the Parish who do so much to give life and hope to others. We invite many of the Parish Groups to be involved in preparing each of the Churches for this special celebration of Thanksgiving.