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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th January 2020

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Francis Balfe / Yvonne Balfe
11am (Sun) Elaine Byrne / Mary Vernon
Grangecon: 9.30am (Sun) Joe Hamill



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) Gina Carroll



This weekend - Baltinglass Anniversaries:

Bridget Kerley
Charlie Shortt, Chapel Hill
Martha Shortt, Tuckmill
Jane & Michael Clynch, Lathaleere & their son John & daughter Margaret
John Molloy, Raheen
Sarah & John Leigh, Rathbran
Jim Leigh, Lincolnshire, UK
Tom Smyth, Ballyraggan
Philip Hughes Snr., Parkmore
Philip Hughes Jnr., Parkmore
Jim & Tom Rooney, Ballymaconey
Totti Byrne, Main Street
Mick & Teresa Kenny, Kiltegan, Clough and London
Stratford: Sun. 9.30am
Eglis Puris, Manger
Tommy & Mary Whittle, Rathbran



Weekend Mass Times

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

Weekly Confessions

after 6pm Mass on Saturdays

Stratford & Grangecon

Grangecon next Sunday 9.30am

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.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday in St. Paul's Oratory
10.30am - 11.30am
Every Sunday in Grangecon Church
3 - 4pm.

COAT FOUND

in Baltinglass Church after Scoil Naomh Iosaf Christmas Carol Service.
Keys in pocket with 'COTTAGE' written on tag. Contact the Parish Office.

We pray for
Frances Lambe
Irongrange & Castledermot
May Frances rest in peace.



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

**Feast of the Epiphany
Mass Times**

(Holy day of obligation)

5th Jan. Baltinglass Church 7.30pm

6th Jan. Baltinglass Church 11am

PLEASE NOTE

6th Jan. Stratford Church 9.30am

Christmas Collection for Our Priest & the supply Priests of the Parish.

Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to this collection.

Collectors in Baltinglass in January

Saturdays 6pm Mass

Main Aisle: Pat Kearney / Matt O'Brien

Convent Aisle:

Lalor Aisle: Ollie Cuddy

Sunday 11am Mass

Main Aisle: Alf Gillespie / Garrett Byrne

Convent Aisle: Jimmy Humphries

Lalor Aisle: Geraldine Reilly

Accord Carlow

Pre-Marriage Courses

Feb 7th & 8th, March 6th & 7th,
April 3rd & 4th . Book on line at
www.accord.ie or phone 059 9138738.

Counselling:

Accord offers Marriage & Relationship Counselling by appointment. Our fully trained Counsellors are there to listen to you in confidence and help you find your solutions to your problems. Phone Mary 059 91 38 738 for further details.

Guitar Tuition

Professional private and small group Guitar Instruction for beginners and improvers of all ages. Enjoyable, relaxed teaching method for acoustic rhythm guitar, basic lead rudiments for electric and acoustic. Competitive rates. Day and evening hours to suit in Baltinglass or I can call to you. Please phone 089 48 69 241.

Digital Skills for Citizens Grant

FREE - Internet and Email Courses for beginners on PC, Tablet or Smartphone.

Contact: Nora Kavanagh
086 40 99 661.

Duration: 5 weeks x 2 hours.

At: Baltinglass Library

Starting: 7th Jan – 4th Feb

When: Tuesdays - 11am – 1pm
OR 6.30 - 8.30pm

Cost: Free of Charge.

Carlow Family Support Group

You Are Not Alone

Drugs and Alcohol abuse effects families regardless of status in life. You did not cause it, you can't control it and you can't cure it. Help is available for those who live with this dreadful disease call 085 78 72 730.

TRY RUGBYTOTS

Weekly play sessions for boys and girls aged 2 - 5 at Scoil Naomh Iosaf, Sat. mornings. Phone 083 818 5726.

Baltinglass GAA Club

Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers

06. 19, 21, 29.

No winner - This week's jackpot is €6,600.

Match 3 winners - €150 each.

Fiona Doyle; Kay Gilbert.

Next draw is on Monday 6th January in Timmins Pub at 10pm Tickets €2.

Thanks for continuing to support the lotto. Please continue to play in 2020. Play online at www.localotto.ie

Baltinglass Parish Bingo

in Fatima Hall every Monday from 8.30pm - 10pm.

NEWSLETTER

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

Parish Office Opening Hours

Wed. & Fri. 9.30am to 1pm.

Tues. & Thurs. 9.30 to 1pm
& 1.30 to 2.30pm.

PLEASE NOTE

The Parish Office will be closed Monday 6th January (Holy Day)

Split the Pot Results

1st Prize: €100 - Bridie O'Neill

2nd Prize: €50 - Tracey Norton

3rd Prize: €25 - Julie McGrath

4th Prize: €25 - Peg Doyle

We would like to thank our loyal supporters for their great and much appreciated support over the past year, the businesses and shops in the town who continue to display the boxes for us, the Bingo Community who allow us to sell on a Monday night and run the draw, they are a huge support to us. This is a major fundraiser for us and we hope it will continue to thrive and that more people will support in 2020. Lastly we would like to thank those who collect, distribute, sell the envelopes and run the draw on a Monday night.

Dance Classes

Adult Country Jiving, Quickstep & Waltzing dance classes commencing on Thursday 23rd January. Course runs for 6 weeks 8-9pm every Thursday. No Partner Required. Registration & Payment (€60) on the night. Academy of Dance, Carlow Youth & Community Centre, Green Lane, Carlow. Phone 087 27 27 315.

PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

Second Sunday of Christmas

5th January 2020

How to enter the new year.

If you're reading this, you lived to see the new year. This is no small matter! Your life makes a difference in the universe, whether or not you embrace your God-given power. May this prayer accompany your initial steps into the future.

God of all time,
help us enter the New Year quietly,
Thoughtful of who we are to ourselves and to others,
mindful that our steps make an impact
and our words carry power.
May we walk gently,
May we speak only after we have listened well.

Creator of all life,
Help us enter the New Year reverently,
Aware that you have endowed
every creature and plant, every person and habitat
With beauty and purpose.
May we regard the world with tenderness.
May we honour rather than destroy.

Lover of all souls,
Help us enter the New Year joyfully,
Willing to laugh and dance and dream,
Remembering our many gifts with thanks and looking forward to
blessings yet to come.
May we welcome your lavish love.
May we cast off the small, vindictive God our fears have made.

May the grace and peace of Christ bless you now and in the days ahead.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Wednesday 26th Aug. - 2nd Sept. Cost €745

€50 discount if €100 deposit paid by 1st February

Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board.

Flight to Mostar Airport only 30 minutes transfer to Medjugorje.

Spiritual Director: Fr. Gerard Ahern P.P.

Contact the Parish Office on 059 64 81 254,

Fr. Ger on 087 629 8881 or Andy Murphy on 087 09 00 819 for details.

