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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th November 2019

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Micheál Lalor / Fiona Dunne
11am (Sun) Michael Cogan / Catherine Burke

Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Margaret Cronin

Ministers of the Eucharist:

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

Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Helen O'Keefe



This weekend - Baltinglass

Anniversaries:

George Leigh, Rathbran
The Hanrahan Family, Weaver Square
Seán Connors, Shroughaun
Grace Hughes, Dublin
Tony Leigh, 1 Allendale
Winnie, Dan & Fergus Moore, Woodfield
Rose Foster, 1 Parkmore
Mary Walker née Foster, Parkmore
Joseph & Catherine Maher, Dublin & Baltinglass
Ann Doyle, Kiltegan & deceased members of the
Doyle Family

Grangecon: Sun. 9.30am

Tommy & Kitty Tutty, Grangecon
Barney Coleman, Knoxters Hill
John & Lil Doyle, Barronstown
John & Josephine Tierney, Rathbran
Michael & Mary Wade, Rathbran
Mary Whelan, The Rocks
Mae Sleator, Barronstown



We pray for
Stephen Cullen, Raheen
who has died recently.
May Stephen rest in peace.



GREETINGS

If you wish to send greetings to family & friends
living abroad through The Review Magazine
2019, send your wishes to the Parish Office as
soon as possible.

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.

**Special Kildare Christmas
Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**

8 nights, taking in Bethlehem, Jerusa-
lem, Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth,
Jericho, River Jordan, Dead Sea and
Sea of Galilee. ex Dublin. Contact
James Treacy on 086 05 72 216.

A Thought For The Day

"God's Creation must not be treated
as a Resource to be exploited but as a
home to be preserved." Pope Francis
at the conclusion of the recent
Amazon Synod.

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

The Annual Fun-Filled Festive Fair

in Scoil Chonglais Sun. 24th Nov. in the
school hall 11am – 4pm. Items on sale on
the day will include seasonal fare, arts and
crafts, cakes, yule logs, and jewellery. Try
your luck at the wheel of fortune or the
monster raffle! Enjoy a mug of hot choco-
late and listen to Christmas Carols while
the children have their faces painted? This
market books out quickly each year. Any
interested stallholders can book by col-
lecting a form from the school or by email-
ing ceiremurphy@kwetb.ie (regular stalls
cost €20; large €30).

TABLE QUIZ

In aid of Stratford Community Café

in Stratford Arms on Friday November 8th
at 8.30pm. €10 per person - table of 4.
For further details phone 087 922 7051.

An Autumn Prayer

God of the Autumn, help us to live with the
grace of falling leaves, the enthusiasm of
the flaming Aspens, with the serenity of
the old trees whose roots reach deep into
the earth.

God of the Autumn, help us to know that
living and dying are one, that life is pre-
cious and beautiful and limited, that noth-
ing good is ever lost.

God of the Autumn, help us to see in the
ways of nature a way for ourselves.

Amen

Emmanuel House Clonfert

Day of Prayer for the Holy Souls
Sunday 10th Nov. Phone 059 91 51 245

**Baltinglass & District
Active Retirement**

Coffee Morning Venue for November is
Horans.

Please return completed Babushka Boxes
and Raffle Books along to one of these
meetings, as soon as possible.

Outing is scheduled for a trip to National
Concert Hall to see Oklahoma on Saturday
16th November.

**The Eastern Region South Christmas
Lunch** in Newlands Golf Club Fri. 29th
Nov., from 1pm – 6pm. Tickets €30.

Baltinglass Christmas Party for Senior
Citizens and Active Retired Members in
Germaines on Wed. 4th Dec. at 12.30pm,
for lunch at 1pm. Tickets €15.

**For further details of any of above, con-
tact Mary on 087 29 99 571.**

**Whisperings of my Soul -
Nationwide**

To All, Be sure to tune in to Nationwide
Wednesday November 6th to hear Fr
Sean discuss with Mary Kennedy the back-
ground to his best-selling book, *Whisper-
ings of My Soul* and the launch of his new
website: www.whisperingsofmysoul.com.

The website develops on Part 3 of his
book focusing on the interaction be-
tween Science - Reason and Religion.
It's called "The Greatest Story Never Told
- Has Science Discovered God". It de-
tails what many eminent scientists are
now saying about the origin and opera-
tion of the universe, including detail-
ing the latest scientific discoveries. It's a
must read for anyone who does not be-
lieve God exists. Especially for this genera-
tion of 16 to 30 year olds.

THANK YOU

A very sincere thank you to Fr. Ahern and to you all for the wonderful day we had with you. It was truly a most joyful, welcoming "Home-Coming". It was such a joy to meet you all and to recall the happy memories while enjoying the delicious spread.

After a quiet moment of prayer in the Oratory we admired the magnificent stained glass windows. A credit to you all. We remembered our dear ones who have been called home to God. R.I.P.

Renewed thanks for your great kindness. May God bless you and continue to keep you in his care. Be assured of our prayers every day.

Srs. Brigid & Carmel.

Baltinglass GAA Club

Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers

08, 12, 18, 28

No winner - This week's jackpot - €8,500.

5 Match 3 winners.- €60 each.

Raymond Danne, Madeline Foley,
Pam Dooley, Niamh Fleming & John Glynn.
Next draw is on Mon. 4th Nov. at 10pm in
Germaine's, Main Street. Tickets €2.

Stratford/Grangecon GAA

Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers

21, 22, 29, 30.

No Jackpot Winner.

This week's jackpot €5,000.

No Match 3 Winners.

€500 will be added to next weeks jackpot.

Sellers Prize: €30 - Lisa Cashin.

Next draw is in the Clubhouse on Monday 4th
November at 8.45pm. Tickets €2.

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

Mon. Wed. & Fri. 9.30am to 1pm.

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

Annual St. Mary's Parish Bazaar in New School, Church Lane

Sat 16th Nov @2pm. We have the usual cake stall, lucky dip, toys, books, guess the weight of the cake, also a chance to buy tickets to win your Christmas turkey, and lots more. Drop in for a chat and a cuppa.

BAKE OFF & ART COMPETITION

Entries: €3 between 2-3pm, judging 3pm.

Categories are BAKE OFF on a paper plate

5-8yrs: 4 decorated festive shortbread **OR**
4 decorated rice krispy squares.

8-12yrs: 3 decorated gingerbread men **OR**
3 chocolate biscuit cake squares.

13-17yrs: Cheesecake of your choice **OR**
ginger cake.

ART COMPETITION

5-8yrs: Toilet roll Santa or Snowman **OR**
make a Christmas card.

9-12yrs: Make a hand puppet using a sock
or glove of your favourite Christmas
character **OR** decorate a paper plate on the
theme of 'Christmas'.

13-17yrs: Make a Christmas wreath using
materials of your choice. Ph.087 68 78 802.

Split the Pot Results

1st Prize: €100 - Catherine & Grace Fleming

2nd Prize: €50 - Ashton, Zara, Amira Pender

3rd Prize: €25 - Aoife McDermott

4th Prize: €25 - Mick Keogh, Glen

PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd November 2019

In November we Remember with Love and Gratitude!

'They have gone no further from us than to God and God is very close to us'.

This week we celebrate the double feast of All Saints and All Souls. It's a time when we remember the special people in our lives who have now gone home to God. All around us there are women and men, young and old whose stories guide us on our journey. We recall with gratitude our own loved ones gone before us who lived decent, honest, simple and down to earth lives. They may not have been famous; they may not have made headlines but in God's eyes they are now celebrities. These are the people who somehow gave us a glimpse of God in the bits and pieces of their everyday lives. Each one has made the path a bit easier for us. When we experience weariness and a sense of failure, it's as if they are saying to us, 'We are with you; don't give up.' They inspire us, encourage us and give us hope. And of course, they intercede for us with God.

This time of the year alerts us to be more sensitive to the bereavement stories that we all share. It is important to remember and to acknowledge our losses. Our grief has to be tinged with gratitude for lives which have shaped us, for hands that have held us, for voices that have inspired us, for eyes which have looked on us, for ears that have listened to us. We are confident that, "For all who have gone before us, life has changed not ended".

All are welcome to our **Annual Mass of Remembrance**

*on Wednesday 6th November
in St. Joseph's Church at 7.30pm.
We will remember with love & gratitude all
our loved ones, especially those whose funerals
took place in our parish in the past year.*

No 10am Mass on Wednesday

