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**Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th November**

**Ministers of the Word:**

**Baltinglass:** 6pm (Sat) Pat Dunne / Jane Keogh  
11am (Sun) Elaine Byrne / Mary Vernon

**Grangecon:** 9.30am (Sun) Anne Whelan

**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) Kay Moore



**This weekend - Baltinglass Anniversaries:**

Rita Germaine, Parkmore  
Tommy & Christopher Murphy, Carrigeen  
Maisie Andrews (nee Donohoe), Moneymore & Rathfarnham  
Thomas O'Hara, Raheen  
Annie O'Toole, Main Street  
Anastasia Doyle, Graney  
Bridie Cullen, Rathbran  
Annie Byrne, Barronstown  
Andy Kehoe, Clough  
Fr. Gary Doyle

**Stratford: Sun. 9.30am**  
**Months Mind Mass**  
Peter Byrne, Goldenfort



**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.

**Baltinglass Hospital**

**Annual Christmas Bazaar**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Donations of bric-a-brac, cakes, toys etc would be appreciated. Monster raffle on the day. Tickets on sale for €2.

Your support would be appreciated!

**Christian Based Mindfulness**

6 Week Course led by Rev Máirt Hanly in St. Mary's Church, Baltinglass. Every Tuesday beginning Tuesday 12th November at 8pm. No fee but donations welcome.

We pray for  
**Jimmy Doyle**, Clough  
who has died recently.  
**May Jim rest in peace.**



**Eist Cancer Support Centre**

is running a Prostate Cancer Programme next Tuesday (12th November) from 7-9 pm. in the Eist Centre, The Waterfront, Mill Lane, Carlow. This is a six week Programme for men who have been through a prostate cancer diagnosis. For information contact Eist at 059 91 59 684.

**Newsletter now available on [www.baltinglassparish.ie](http://www.baltinglassparish.ie)  
Diocesan web site: [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)**

**#REDWEDNESDAY**

In the Month of November the charity ACN (Aid to the Church in Need) Ireland is, like last year, having a week of witness and launching the Freedom Report on the Persecution of Christians. From Monday 25th November to 1st December people are asked to pray and remember, and also to wear RED (tie, scarf, jumper etc. etc.), especially for all the martyrs that have fallen, here in Ireland and abroad, because they simply believe in Jesus Christ and professed their faith.

Wednesday 27th November is #REDWEDNESDAY so please something red on that day. For more information please visit our web site [www.acnireland.org](http://www.acnireland.org) or phone us on 01 83 77 516.

**'YOU ARE NOT ALONE'**

Drug and Alcohol addiction knows no boundaries, You are not alone, help is always available. Please contact You Are Not Alone support group on 085-7872730 for a confidential and non-judgemental service.

**Annual Fun-Filled Festive Fair**  
**Scoil Chonglais Hall**

Sun. 24th Nov 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 chocolate 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 collecting a form from the school or by emailing [ceiremurphy@kwetb.ie](mailto:ceiremurphy@kwetb.ie) (regular stalls cost €20; large €30)

**Open Night**

Throughout the past year, Dermot and Liz Harmon from kiltegan have been sharing about their faith in God and the Bible. Along with a group of friends they have set up "Rural Revival" and invite you to the opening night, Sun. 17th Nov. 7-8pm @ Church Lane, Baltinglass. Everyone Welcome. Find us on Facebook Rural Revival Baltinglass. Ph. Dermot 086 27 61 413.

**Variety Concert in the Church of Our Lady Blessington**

in aid of Blessington Day Care & Coimín Centre Sun. 1st Dec. 8pm. **Acts:** Roscommon Solstice Choir, Rachel Coyne and Lorraine Willoughby. Tickets €10 and available from Blessington Parish Office / Hennessy's & Office Shop. Bring a Cushion. Phone 087 293 4806 or

**Parish Liturgy Group**

meeting on Thursday 14th November at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

**Wicklow Co. Council Joint Policing Committee meeting**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 7.30pm in Germaine's Hotel, Baltinglass. This is a public meeting and all are invited to attend. Please circulate to any group/individual in your area who may be interested in attending.

**Go Greener with Grangecon**

Focus Group is taking place on Monday, November 11th at 7pm in Grangecon Church Hall to review the findings from the survey carried out in the Spring and look at ways we can reduce our Ecological Footprint. There will be tea/coffee and cakes. All are welcome!

## Baltinglass GAA Club

### Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers 08, 12, 15, 28.

**No winner - This week's jackpot - €8,700.**

**Match 3 winners.- €60 each.**

Jemma Walsh, Michelle Moore, Patrick Lord,  
Cody Curry, Teresa Kilcoyne.

Next draw is on Mon. 11th Nov. at 10pm in  
Timmins' Pub, Weaver Square. Tickets €2.

Play online: [www.localotto.ie](http://www.localotto.ie)

## Baltinglass GAA Club

### Development Draw Results

(took place in Timmins Fri. 1st Nov)

**1st Prize:** New Kia Picanto Car - Laura Wall.

**2nd Prize:** Vincent O'Connor, **3rd Prize:**

Declan Wall, **4th Prize:** Joseph Germaine, **5th**

**Prize:** Hughie Fleming JNR, **6th Prize:**

**Danielle Moore, 7th Prize:** Don Sheehan, **8th**

**Prize:** Mary Harmon, **9th Prize:** Seán O'Brien,

Irongrange, **10th Prize:** Miriam & John Parke,

**11th Prize:** Patricia, Zoe & Ben Patterson,

**12th Prize:** Peter Gahan, Rathvilly, **13th Prize:**

Nancy Doody, **14th Prize:** John Roy, **15th**

**Prize:** Pauline Curry, **16th Prize:** John

Hennesy Jnr., **17th Prize:** Catherine Breen,

**18th Prize:** Neil Fleming, **19th Prize:** The

Mann Family, Graney, **20th Prize:** Stephen

McNulty, Wicklow.

## Stratford/Grangecon GAA

### Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers 08, 11, 22, 30.

**No Jackpot Winner.**

**This week's jackpot €5,250.**

**2 Match 3 Winners**

Kay Owens, Peter Case.

**Sellers Prize:** €30 - D. Cronin

**Next draw** is in the Clubhouse on Monday  
November 11th at 8.45pm. Tickets €2.

Play online: [www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie](http://www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie)

## Rathdangan Christmas Craft Fair

Sun. Nov. 24th in O'Toole hall 3pm to 6pm.

## Split the Pot Results

**1st Prize:** €100 - Sylvia English

**2nd Prize:** €50 - Sheila Fagan

**3rd Prize:** €25 - Alice Byrne

**4th Prize:** €25 - Bridget Pendergast

## 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.

## Yoga Classes With Trish

in the Lalor Centre 11am, Sundays 10th &

17th Nov; 8th, 15th & 22nd Dec.

## 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.

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th November 2019

*'God lit a candle of hope for each of us. It's not waiting in a window  
somewhere or around a bend. God lit it inside us so that we need not  
ever live one moment without it.'* - Vickie Girard.



Hope is a word we sometimes throw around a lot. We often say that we hope for the best. When the word hope is used to mean everything and anything, it can lose some of its impact. It never loses impact when used in a faith context.

Hope is the voice that God uses to speak to our hearts.

Hope is God's parachute in life and it is always God's smile. It is not a product; you can't buy it and it is always a part of a journey. In many ways hope is prayer. Without it you have nothing and with it you have many possibilities. During these difficult economic times we must have hope. We put our trust and hope in God to guide us through the unknown, to help us learn from mistakes and to use wisely the wisdom of all those who have been there before.