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 1st & Sunday 2nd February 2020

#### Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Una McKeever / Tommy Doyle

11am (Sun) Máire Lawless / Mary Jo Ovington

**Stratford:** 9.30am (Sun) Mary O'Keefe

### 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) Noreen Keogh



## This weekend - Baltinglass Anniversaries:

Anniversaries: Esther Curry, 18 Parkmore Jack, Elish, John & Ger Kilcoyne, Mill St. Liam Furlong, Woodfield & London Paddy, Cullen, Deerpark, Baltinglass Annie Cullen, Deerpark, Baltinglass Catherine Cullen, Deerpark, Baltinglass William Sutton, Belan Street, Baltinglass Declan Howe, Newbridge Dylan Keogh, Clough Michael Sinnott, Shroughaun Jimmy & Ena Doyle, Parkmore Seán Murphy, Barronstown, Grangecon Paddy & Betty McDermott, Chapel Hill Matt & Phyllis Farrell, Tankardstown & all the deceased members of the Farrell & Ryan Families Johnny Kavanagh, Hughestown

Thomas Donegan, Kilmurry John Foley, Carrigeen **Grangecon: Sun. 9.30am** Jack Keogh, Winetavern

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

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

### **Weekend Mass Times**

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

## **Weekly Confessions**

after 6pm Mass on Saturdays

## **Stratford & Grangecon**

Stratford 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.

# 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.

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

### **MUSIC MINISTRY**

Sincere word of thanks to the Choir and Folk Group for enhancing our Liturgies with music and song particularly over the Christmas Season. They would really welcome new members. For information on the choir contact Fr Ger or any choir member and for the Folk Group contact Sr Eileen or any member of the group.

"The one who sings well prays twice".



### **Day of Prayer for Healing**

Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert on Saturday 1st February. **Speakers:** Fr. Ml. Kennedy and Eddie Stone. Bus departs Church Car Park 8am sharp via Killerig Cross, Closh Stores and bus stop Barrack Street, Carlow. Bring a packed lunch. To book a seat Ph. Lily - 059 91 51 245.

## ACCORD Marriage & Relationship Counselling Service

Are you experiencing difficulties in your Marriage or Relationship?

If you can't talk to one another, why not talk to us? Accord Carlow offers a confidential one to one low cost counselling service with trained and experienced Counsellors. Fluent polish Counsellor also available. For further information, phone Mary at 059 91 38 738 or 059 91 42 590.

### **An Sean Scoil**

A sessional Pre-School located on Chapel Hill catering for children aged 2.5-5years. We provide a happy and stimulating environment for children to: learn, play, grow and develop in a safe and meaningful way based on their own emerging interests. We have limited ECCE & NCS places remaining for September 2020. Please Contact Ashling on 087 11 99 340 for more information or to book your place.

### **West Wicklow Cancer Support**

Invite you to our monthly drop in for January "Manifestation Meditation" hosted by Gemma Deeny of yogagym.

Come along and relax on a mat or a soft chair on Thursday 30th January at 7.30pm in The Coimin Centre, Main St.,

Blessington. No charge, all welcome. For more info find us on Facebook or phone 087 43 46 004 / westwicklow15@gmail.com

### **Moon Mná West Wicklow**

#### Women's Wisdom Circles

Held every month with a different theme. Special event of Imbolc 1st Feb. - Global Brigid's Fire Blessing - As part of "Herstory Light Festival. Co-creating Imbolc Spiral of Light. All women welcome under the Half snow Moon. Venue: the Lalor Centre 6.30pm - 9.30pm. Bring a cushion and whatever symbol Brigid represents something for you. Book by phone - 085 73 65 831 or email at naturalschoolofart@gmail.com Cost: Waged €20. Unwaged €15.

## Baltinglass & District Active Retirement Meeting

Wed. 29th Jan. 3pm in Germaines. If you are interested in becoming a member, you're welcome to come along. Happy New Year to all our members.

## **Baltinglass GAA Club**

**Lotto Results** 

Last Week's Winning Numbers 04, 09, 12, 28

### No Jackpot Winner

This week's jackpot is €7,200 Match 3 winners - € 35 each Mary Moore, Lughaidh O'Moran, Paddy McGuirk, Volphert, Sue Pearson, Mary Hanlon, Breda Humphries, Rose Loonam, Matt CP Chris **Next draw** is on Monday 27th January in Germaines Pub at 10pm Tickets €2 Play online at www.localloto.ie Please continue to play

### **Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club**

#### **Lotto Results**

Last Week's Winning Numbers 08, 09, 11, 30 No Jackpot Winner This week's jackpot is €8,250 Match 3 Winners €125 each Lorna Fitzpatrick, Rory Cassells Sellers Prize: €30 - Veronica Dunne Next draw is in the Clubhouse on Monday 27th January at 8.45pm. Tickets €2. Play online: www.stratfordgrangecongaa.ie Thanks for your constant support!

### **Split the Pot Results**

**1st Prize:** €100 - Lily Brennan 2nd Prize: €50 - Pauline Kavanagh 3rd Prize: €25 - Austin Connolly 4th Prize: €25 - Bernie Kelly

### **Baltinglass GC '25' Card Night**

every Thursday evening from 8pm to 10pm in the Club House. Entry €5. Everyone is welcome including non-members.

## **Carlow Regional PTAA**

**Annual Dinner Dance** 

in Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow. Sun. 16th Feb. Music by "Pat Costello". Dinner at 1.30pm sharp. Tickets €25. Contact Mick Kehoe at 087 287 5011.

## **Rathvilly & Castledermot Garden & Flower Club**

will meet Thursday 30th January at 7.30 pm in Teach Diarmada, Castledermot. Marie O'Leary will instruct & guide us on our annual "Work Night" & inspire us to be creative! Please bring secateurs on the night & would those who have suitable foliage in their gardens please bring enough to share with those who have none. All welcome. Tea, biscuits & chat as usual. Entry €5. Raffle €5.

#### **NEWSLETTER**

Articles for the newsletter must be received before 12 noon Thurs, 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 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.

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

**BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD** 

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

26th January 2020

## 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.