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Next Weekends Mass Times and Ministers - Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th January 2020

Ministers of the Word:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Niall Doogue / Laura Egan
11am (Sun) Mona Nolan / John Paul Kenny
Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Carmel Doyle



Ministers of the Eucharist:

Baltinglass: 6pm (Sat) Bernie Doogue / Pat Dunne / Mary Hayes
11am (Sun) John Paul Kenny / Therése Kelly / Catherine Lord
Stratford: 9.30am (Sun) Kay Halstead



**This weekend - Baltinglass
Months Mind Mass**

Ann Lawlor (née Groves), Chapel Hill

Anniversaries:

Alice Farrell, Weaver Square

Mary Hanlon, Broadstown & Main St. Baltinglass & San Francisco

Annie Gethings, 9 Parkmore

Paul O'Brien, Edward Street

Deirdre O'Connor (née Fleming), Carlow & Baltinglass

Seán Kearney, Tinoran & Helmshore, England

Dan Campion, Parkmore

Breda Patterson, Belan Street

Dennis & Kathleen Byrne, Parkmore

Joseph & Bridget Fagan, Parkmore

Mary Malone, 11 Parkmore

Phil Mahon, Bunclody

Lil McHugh, Naas

Richard & Elizabeth Barrett, Ballinatone

Pat O'Keeffe, Parkmore

Nick Carty, Deerpark & Wampfler

Michael & Sarah O'Keeffe, Randalstown

John Kenny, Shroughaun

Patrick Sinnott, Enniscorthy

Jenny McHugh, 6 Parkmore

Patrick & Thomas Kelly, Castlesallagh, Donard

Grangecon: Sun. 9.30am

Margaret & Michael Kehoe, Grangecon Hill



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.

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Baltinglass Parish Bingo

in Fatima Hall every Mon.
8.30pm - 10pm

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
John O'Sullivan, Carrigeen
& Kenmare, Co. Kerry
May John rest in peace.

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

**Kildare and Leighlin
Diocesan Adoration Committee**

invite you to a Day of Prayer
Saturday 25th Jan. beginning at 10am.
Mass, Adoration, Rosary, sharing and
music, held in St. Patrick's College, Carlow
Refreshments served. All welcome.

Family Carers Ireland

are looking for volunteers in Baltinglass
& surrounding area to give 1 or 2 hours a
week to visit an elderly person in their own
home who are experiencing loneliness &
isolation. Full training provided.
"A simple gift of time can make a huge
difference in a person's life"
For more information contact Maggie@
086 - 0213749 or mlally@familycarers.ie

Public Lectures

Carlow College St Patricks

20th January - Time for Action: Climate
Change & Our Future.

27 January - Nazi Concentration Camps, to
mark International Holocaust Remembrance
Day. Both lectures are open to all and begin
at 1.45pm in Cobden Hall, Carlow College
St Patricks.

**Baltinglass Further Education
and Training Centre**

Maths for Everyday Use

This course will help you to assist children
with homework and also to use maths in
work, home and social situations etc.

Managing Personal Finance

This course will help you to plan a budget;
Prepare a weekly spending plan;
Understand the tax system etc.
For details phone or text: Annette or Maeve
059-6482642 or 086-8462771 Email:
abebaltinglass@kwetb.ie

**STRATFORD SCHOOL
OFFICIAL OPENING**

Friday 24th January
Bishop Nulty will celebrate Mass
in Stratford Church at 10am. This
will be followed by the opening and
blessing of the new school .
All are welcome to attend.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

A meeting of the Council will take place
on this Thursday (16th) at 7.30pm. It will
be facilitated by Julie Kavanagh, Kildare &
Leighlin Faith Development Service. A full
attendance would be appreciated.

**Michael English & His Band
in Concert**

Sunday 26th Jan. at Moone Church 8pm.
Guest appearance - Kildare Rose of Tralee
Emer Fogarty. Tickets €25 available from
Mick Kehoe, Grangecon. Door open 7pm.

NEW MEMBERS WANTED

Carlow Choral Society are looking for new
members, all voices welcome
especially Tenors and Basses. They
rehearse Mon. nights at 7.45pm. First
rehearsal is Mon. 13th in Carlow
Cathedral Parish Centre, R93 XV10.
Requirements are a love of singing. No
audition required. More info on our
website www.carlowchoralsociety.net

Danny's Corner

Happy new year to everyone. We at the
Lalor Centre are looking forward to a New
Year of sing song, concerts, and entertain-
ment. If you have free time, pop into the
Centre to join in with our activities. Watch
this space for upcoming events!

Baltinglass GAA Club

Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers **07, 09, 11, 22**

No winner - This week's jackpot is €6,800

Match 3 winners - €25 each

David O'Loughlin, Barry O'Loughlin,

Tom Whelan, Seamie Leigh, Philip Walsh,
Gerard O'Neill, Deirdre Norton, B & K Byrne,
Connor Doody, Sean Gethings, Tony Mullen,
Kitty Bookle

Next draw is on Monday 13th January in
Lizzie Keogh's Pub at 10pm Tickets €2
Play online at www.localoto.ie

Stratford/Grangecon GAA Club

Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers

07, 11, 13, 27

No Jackpot Winner.

This week's jackpot €7,750

Match 3 Winners €35 each

Cecilia Carton, John Kenny, Juleen Kenny,
Pat Kinsella, Jenny Moore, James Barrett,
Darren Fluskey, Kathleen Murtagh
Sellers Prize: €30 - Eoin O'Neill

Next draw is in the Clubhouse on Monday
13th January at 8.45pm. Tickets €2.

Play online: www.stratfordgrangeconkaa.ie

Social Dancing

18th January 9pm -12pm

Donard Community Hall.

Refreshments served. Will be held the
3rd Saturday of every month to follow.



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.

Split the Pot Results

1st Prize: €100 - Ashton, Zakah &
Amira Pender

2nd Prize: €50 - Catherine Matthews

3rd Prize: €25 - Kay Smithers

4th Prize: €25 - Mary Leigh

Community First Responders

To complement the excellent service currently provided by Community First Responders in Rathdangan, Rathdangan Community Council are erecting a publicly accessible defibrillator at O'Toole Memorial Hall soon. We are also organising free CPR and defibrillator training for the community. This is a very important life skill that everyone should be able to perform. You never know when it might be needed and you will be very glad you know what to do if the situation ever arises where you are in a position to help someone in need of CPR. The training will take place Jan. 18th 11am-1pm. All are welcome. Training is free. There are no obligations. We would encourage everyone to avail of the opportunity.

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 NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

The Baptism of The Lord

12th January 2020

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Jesus, our brother and friend,
born like each of us,
of a woman, and in weakness,
plunged himself into human life
at the waters of the Jordan,
at the beginning of his life with us.

Into the depths of sin, love,
into the mystery of fragility, weakness,
and into the history of his people.

The waters of the Jordan
are the waters of joy and sorrow;
they are waters of hope and mystery;
and they are the waters of sin and division.
into the waters of life Jesus plunged
and made of them the living water of God.

All life is holy, sacred, eternal
because of Jesus.

We plunge with him into the depths
of our own being;
in the depths of love we will find the God of love,
in the depths of weakness, the God of strength,
in the depths of division, the God of reconciliation,
in the depths of poverty and misery, the God of justice,

And in the depths of our humanity
we will find the divine life of God.