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WEEKLY ENVELOPES

Thanks for your continued support. Envelopes may be dropped into the Post Box at the Parish Centre.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary.
Open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm.
Phone 0818 222 024.

PLEASE SUPPORT IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR PARISH COMMUNICATION

In the past 12 months we have upgraded our communication facilities at a total cost of €12,617. Radio transmitter (€1967) Webcam Cameras (€6905), Parish website (€3745).

If anyone would like to make a contribution to these costs it would be very much appreciated. You can do so on-line or leave it in the post box at the Parish Centre.

Parish Finance Committee

'THANK YOU' TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY MADE DONATIONS

Thanks to the Parish Communications Group who allocated €2,000 from the proceeds of 'The Review 2019' towards this project.

Baltinglass GAA Club Lotto Results

Last Week's Winning Numbers
06, 13, 18, 28

No Jackpot Winner
This week's jackpot is €9,500

Match 3 Winners share €300
Fergal Doogue & Family, Tomás Timmins, Derek Quirke, Jim Lawlor, Uran Freizi, Nickey O'Brien, Jenny Keegan

Next Draw on Monday 29th March
in our Clubhouse. Tickets €2.

Thanks for supporting the online lotto!

PARISH OFFICE WILL REMAIN CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Anniversary requests may be left in the letter box at the Parish Centre.



LENTEN FAMILY PRAYER

Creator God, be with us as we make our Lenten journey together as part of your family. Give us the strength to do what we have promised and the love to help one another along the way. When Easter comes, may our Lenten promises have brought us closer to you & to your Son, Jesus.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

A guided Holy Hour of prayer concluding with Benediction from the Oratory webcam
7pm WEDNESDAYS



Fifth Sunday of Lent: Some Suggestions for the Week

- + Persevere in your chosen resolutions for Lent and remember their purpose is to bring you closer to God
- + Pray for adults across the world preparing for baptism at Easter
- + Plant new life in a container or garden bed! Pollinator friendly herbs include chives, lavender, rosemary, oregano and thyme
- + Remember to 'Share with the hungry' and set aside some of your weekly shop for a food bank or donate the cost
- + Be a happy presence in your home
- + Give up television for an evening
- + Take some quiet time to reflect on your life, to see where change may be needed and to ask for God's forgiveness.

Stations of the Cross in this time of Pandemic



Each Friday of Lent three Stations have been uploaded on to kandle.ie. This week the final two have been added. The 14 will be uploaded as one video next week. We encourage people to follow the reflections on each station which have been written in the light of Covid 19.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday of Lent the Stations of the Cross are prayed in St. Joseph's Church at 7pm. Please join in on the webcam.

IT'S NOT JUST A BOX



IT'S A LIFELINE.

COLLECT YOUR BOX IF IT'S SAFE TO DO SO, OR VISIT TROCAIRE.ORG

Digging Deeper



LENTEN SCRIPTURE SHARING

Weekly reflections on the Sunday Mass readings are available on kandle.ie.

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Mass available on Radio 100.2fm and on Baltinglass Parish Webcam
Newsletter available on www.baltinglassparish.ie
Diocesan web site: www.kandle.ie

PARISH NEWSLETTER

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

5th Sunday of Lent

21st March 2021



MASS

St. Joseph's Church

Tues - Fri. 10am

Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am

NO MASS ON MONDAY

Available on Webcam
& Radio 100.2fm

**ALL CHURCHES ARE OPEN
FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**



BALTINGLASS BRANCH

If you wish to donate to St. Vincent de Paul
(Baltinglass) to support families in our
community who are in need,
please use the following:

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

8447 8860

SORT CODE:

90 65 07

IBAN:

IE24 BOFI 9065 0784 4788 60

WE REMEMBER

Recent Death:

Bernie Byrne (Nee Birmingham) Mullingar
and Shroughaun

Anniversaries:

Christy Donohoe, Tinoran
Dr. Patrick Lord, Baltinglass
Ned, Sarah and James Gahan, Carrigeen
John Gorman, Holdenstown
James Geraghty, Rathmines, Dublin
Peter and Mary Doyle, Tinoran
Terence O'Reilly, London & Woodfield
Joe & Bridget Doody, Tuckmill Hill
Jim & Bridget Byrne, The Rocks, Grangecon
Nancy Hughes, Parkmore
Jack and Kate Toomey and all deceased
members of the Toomey Family
John Burke, Woodfield, Baltinglass
Margaret (Peg) Byrne, Walkinstown and
Edward Street
Monica O'Connell, Kilkenny and the Glen
of Imaal

*Rest in
Peace*

NEWSLETTER

Articles for the newsletter must be
received by 12 noon Thursday and
can be emailed or left into the
Parish Office letter box. Please
include name & contact details.

'I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind'.

I was out with my nephews James (5) and Andrew (7) one evening.
As we lay on the ground we listened to a blackbird singing its heart out.
We were deciding between us what the words of the blackbird's song were
when James said: 'He could have said his prayers earlier'.
The beauty and innocence of James' words.

'I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind'.

Jesus had a great sense of adventure and in the course of his life he discovered so much
for humanity - most especially the unconditional love of God. So really the only 'sin' is that
I reject this unconditional love - after all, what more could I want? God loves his creation,
always loved his creation and always will love his creation. That includes all of humanity -
past, present and future. God set everyone free; gave freedom in the cosmic Christ, but
what did I do? I went off into the wilderness on a journey in time and space to rediscover
this unconditional love. In other words I was saved as soon as I was created. Because with
God there is no time or space. Unless I had gone into the wilderness and realised that I
needed to be freed from my cloud of darkness how would I ever understand salvation?
It is unconditional love and it's hidden in the heart of every human being.

*I think I'm like the blackbird in that I could have said my prayers earlier -
my prayers of thanksgiving.*

A PALM ON YOUR DOOR

Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021

You are invited to place a piece of
palm or any green branch on your
front door to let people know it is
Palm Sunday.

Together, let us begin the greatest
week of the Church year.

Photos can be sent to:
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