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BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th July 2021



MASS

St. Joseph's Church
Tues. - Fri. 10am
Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am
Available on Webcam
& Radio 100.2fm

CHURCHES OPEN FOR MASS COVID-19 REGULATIONS APPLY

MAXIMUM PEOPLE
ALLOWED IN CHURCH

Baltinglass 80
Grangecon 50 — Stratford 35

CEMETERY MASSES

Unfortunately it will not be possible to celebrate Mass in our cemeteries this year due to ongoing Covid 19 restrictions.

You are encouraged to maintain your graves as you would have done in preparation for the annual Mass.

WE REMEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES

John Paul Flood, Naas
Kathleen Lennon, Rockypool, Blessington
Alice Kinsella, Grangecon and her brother
Tommy Whittle, Rathbran
Seán Doyle, Carlow
Michael Groves, Parkmore
Ann O'Reilly, Kildangan

Stratford: Sunday 9.30am

Recent death:

Bob Browne, Ballymore & America died in US

Anniversaries:

Tom Kehoe, Chapel St. Stratford & London
John & Molly Dwyer, Manger & all the deceased
members of the Dwyer Family

*Rest in
Peace*

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.

"The Lord is my Shepherd".

When I was about nine I used to go to town on Saturday with the priest and his housekeeper. We remember them in our prayers, and we look to them for leadership in Spiritual matters.

In today's Gospel, Jesus took pity on the crowd, so He set to teach them because 'they were like sheep without a shepherd'. Jesus said to his disciples, 'You must come away to some lonely place to pray there'. Since we are the modern day disciples, He is speaking to each of us.

Each person is on his/her own unique journey through life. No two are alike. It is so important that we can spend time alone, that we can be content with ourselves. If I am at home with myself I am at home with God. So often I can be restless and uneasy. This is the time to call on Jesus. I so long for Jesus to be alive in me. I cannot force this relationship.

I would love to be able to thank the priest and his housekeeper face to face for shepherding me when I was young, but both are now face to face with God.

"The Lord is my Shepherd".

A.S.



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BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers

08, 09, 21, 29

No Jackpot Winner

This week's jackpot: €4,000

Match 3 Winners - share €300

Martha O'Reilly, Roma Kinsella, Bernie Kilcoyne, Maria Walsh, Assumpta O'Neill

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

MON. 19TH TO FRI. 23RD JULY

The Office will re-open

Monday 26th July at 9.30am.

Anniversaries etc. can be left into the Sacristy before or after any of the Masses during this time. They can also be left in the Parish Centre letter box.

STRATFORD/GRANGECON

GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers

02, 13, 17, 25

No Jackpot Winner

This week's jackpot: €7,000

Match 3 Winner - €250

Biddy Curran

Sellers Prize: Kellyann Bollard

TEARMANN COMMUNITY GARDEN

Vegetables for Sale

Lettuce & Scallions

Mon. to Fri. 9am—12 noon.



COMMUNITY CONNECT

Is Here To Offer You Some Help

Are you pregnant or recently had a baby? Are you struggling to get the essentials for your baby? Do you need practical assistance: We can help with essential things like baby clothes, nappies, blankets and even some larger pre-loved items such as buggies (if available). If you or someone you know is in need, please contact us: by phone 085 875 8366 or Clicking "Access Support" at www.communityconnect.ie

EIST CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

continues to provide emotional support and practical help to anyone affected by cancer, their families and carers. For more details on the services available please email info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie or phone 085 866 1499.



PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Wednesday 6th—13th October Cost €765

Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board.

For information contact:

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Andy Murphy 087 09 00 819

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY

Pope Francis has established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time on Sunday 25 July 2021 on the theme: 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20)

"It makes no difference how old you are, whether you still work or not, whether you are alone or have a family, whether you became a grandmother or grandfather at a young age or later, whether you are still independent or need assistance. Because there is no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to your grandchildren."

(Pope Francis)

LOUGH DERG PILGRIM PATH

on the lough shore is open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several information boards highlight features of particular interest. Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre. A guided walk experience will be offered Sun. 25th and Sat. 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September. For bookings and information email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. www.loughderg.org



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

BALTINGLASS TIDY TOWNS

Volunteer once a week to help out with litter picks, seeding, edging etc. Meet at McAllister Statue at 6pm Wed\Thurs. For info: Joan 087 41 89 959 or Terri 086 85 71 241.

TIDY TOWNS DUCK RACE

Sunday 25th July at 3pm. Ducks can be purchased on the day but if you want to you can purchase before the race in Parkmore Stores, O'Reillys, Quinns, Burkes, Pattersons, Hug a Mug, Super Valu and Fishers. It promises to be a fun filled day for all ages. Games and Cake Sale at the Weir. This is an Autism friendly event and a Social Story will be provided before the day from our Facebook page. Unfortunately due to circumstances out of our control we are unable to run the raffle on the day of the race however, we will run the raffle on the 18th of September. Prizes will be listed closer to the time of the raffle.

