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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 250 Grangecon 125 — Stratford 100

## **THANK YOU**

To all who contribute to the financial support of the parish. Thanks to all who have contributed to the Summer Collection due at this time for the support of Clergy.

Your generosity is much appreciated.

## WE REMEMBER

RECENT DEATH George Bradley, Parkmore

## MONTHS MIND

Micheál Lalor, Carrigeen Len O'Connell, Chapel Hill ANNIVERSARIES Tess Gormley (nee Nolan), Kettering

Ger O'Reilly, Kildangan Nora Lennon, Parkmore Bernadette Harte, Shroughaun Seamus Hunt, Parkmore Michael & Kathleen Molloy, Raheen Bridie & Tony Doyle, Kiltegan, Naas & London Margaret Foley, Belan Street Paddy Hughes, Parkmore Mona Clynch, Castledermot Road Mary Byrne, Shroughaun Mary Murray, Broadstown Bill Phelan

Grangecon: Sunday 9.30am Tom Nolan, Lowtown

## Invitation to Sign Global Catholic Petition

As one way of marking the Season of Creation 2021, the Vatican Dicastery for Integral Human Development is asking Catholics across the world to sign the **'Healthy Planet Healthy People'** petition. This petition comes ahead of the UN conferences taking place this autumn on biodiversity and on climate change. Sign petition at <u>www.thecatholicpetition.org</u>. This link also provides resources to help promote the petition. BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th September 2021

## **Season of Creation**

Restoring Our Common Home 1 September - 4 October 2021

The Season of Creation or Creation Time, is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.

#### **Restoring Our Common Home**

The theme for the Season of Creation 2021 is 'Restoring Our Common Home'. During this season we are asked to join together to celebrate creation and protect our common home through prayer, reflection and action.

The global Christian family is called to awaken to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and with each other and to encourage our parish communities to do the same, "for we know that things can change!" (Laudato Si', 13).

This year we celebrate this season mindful of the fact that our world continues to deal with the Covid-19 pandemic as well as a devastating climate and biodiversity crisis. We look towards two UN Conferences in the Autumn, COP15 (on Biodiversity, due to take place in China) and COP24 (on climate change, Glasgow) in the hope that world leaders take the urgent action that is needed to Restore Our Common Home. Catholics are urged to sign the <u>"Healthy Planet Healthy People"</u> petition as a key action for this year's Season of Creation. This petition has been endorsed by the Vatican Dicastery for Integral Human Development in the hope that millions of Catholics will raise their voices in the public sphere to help Restore Our Common Home in the run up to these vital UN Conferences.

#SeasonOfCreation www.catholicbishops.ie #CreationTime



#### **RADIO MARIA IRELAND**

Saorview - Channel 210 Stream on <u>www.radiomaria.ie</u> By phone (01) 437 3277 (no extra charges apply) FREE APP - "RADIO MARIA IRELAND"

#### THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED

Monday 6th to Friday 10th September incl.

THE OFFICE WILL RE-OPEN Monday September 13th at 9.30am.

Anniversaries etc. can be left into the Sacristy before or after any Mass during this time. They can also be left in the Parish Centre letter box Monday to Friday.



## BIRTHDAY OF OUR LADY

People are encouraged to the birthday of Our Lady by reciting the Rosary at 6pm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September before an image of Our Lady.

#### 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 available services phone 085 866 1499 or email: info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie

#### TRADITIONAL IRISH DANCE CLASSES by 'Gohery School'

are planning to recommence at Bigstone Hall on Tuesday evenings from 6 pm for Beginners and 7 pm for Advanced. If you wish to register for classes please contact Fiona Kavanagh at 087 064 8349. Starting date will depend on Government advice so please register beforehand.

## **BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO**

Last Week's Winning Numbers 13, 20, 26, 30 No Jackpot Winner This week's jackpot: €5,400 Match 3 Winners share €300 Mark Jackson, Anne Marie Byrne

## STRATFORD/GRANGECON

GAA LOTTO Last Week's Winning Numbers 01, 09, 16, 20 No Jackpot Winner This week's jackpot: €9,250 2 Match 3 Winners share €250 Martha O'Reilly, Chillie Nolan Sellers Prize: The Glen Shop

#### CÁIRDE CEOL AGUS DAMHSA LOCAL TRAD GROUP

will perform for culture night outside Teach Diarmada, Castledermot on Friday 17th Sept. 5 to 6 pm. Traditional Irish music and dance. This is a free outdoor event. Stay socially distant and masked where possible.

AN GARDA SIOCHANA, BALTINGLASS in association with The Lalor Centre have organised a charity Autumn Equinox Walk on Saturday, 18th Sept. Starting point is The Lalor Centre at 3pm. As it is a time of Thanksgiving for all we have, and Hope for the time ahead, we will have a Wishing Tree situated in the grounds of the centre. For a desired donation of  $\notin$ 5 you can purchase a ribbon to place on the wishing tree. All donations will go directly to the Lalor Centre to furnish an outside space which will be developed.

## **EMPLOYABILITY SERVICE**

is an employment and recruitment service to assist people over 18 years who may have different types of disabilities such as: Intellectual - Mental Health – Physical -Sensory – Hidden and who are job ready and need the support of a job coach to get a job. Please contact Jackie McHenry on 086 0496875 as I run an outreach service based in Baltinglass Parish Centre twice a month.

## MALE ADVICE LINE

The National Male Advice Line offers confidential advice and support to Male victims of domestic violence and abuse over the phone. This Service is also available to family and friends who may have concerns for a loved one and are seeking some guidance on how to help them. Tel: 1800-816 588.

#### **SUPERIOR CHIMNEY CLEANING**

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#### 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 elating 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.

## **COURSES THIS AUTUMN**

At Baltinglass Further Education and Training Centre

Why not try something new this autumn? We have a range of courses available for you as life begins to return to normal:

- Basic and improver computer skills
- Help with reading, writing, spelling and maths
  - English for speakers of other languages
- Gardening

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- Manage your Money
- Get the most from your smart phone

Courses are free and open to those who never completed their formal education. Classes run during the day and at night. A great way to learn, and meet others. All Covid-19 guidelines are strictly adhered to. Text or phone Annette/Maeve at 086-8462771 or 059-6482642 for details.

#### **TEARMANN COMMUNITY GARDEN**

#### **Vegetables for Sale**

Lettuce, onions, shallots, cabbage, spinach, kale & tomatoes Mon. to Fri. 9am—12 noon.

#### ANAM CARA

would like to invite you to join us for an online Bereavement Information and Support Evening taking place 16th Sept. at 7pm. This events will give you an opportunity to hear a bereavement professional talk about the difficult challenges and many milestones grieving a child of any age has on you and your family. If you would like to join us please register here <u>https://bit.ly/3Dzyphc</u> or contact us on <u>info@anamcara.ie</u> or 085 288 8888

