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MASS

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

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Mon. Wed. & Fri. 9.30am to 1pm
Tues. & Thurs. 9.30am to 1pm
& 1.30pm to 2.30pm

CHURCHES OPEN FOR MASS
COVID-19 REGULATIONS APPLY
MAXIMUM ALLOWED IN CHURCH
Baltinglass 250
Grangecon 125 — Stratford 100

SUNDAY MASS:	<u>GRANGECON</u>	<u>STRATFORD</u>
October:	3/17/31	10/24
November:	14/28	7/21
December:	12/26	5/19

WE REMEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES

Tim Long, Dublin
Willie Swayne, Hughestown
Phyllis & Patrick Reddan, Tinoran
Rita O'Brien, Carrigeen
Mary Brady, Parkmore
Mary & Patrick Kearney, Tinoran & their
daughter Kathleen Tyndall
John Barrett, Shroughaun

Stratford: 9.30am:

Elizabeth Coleman, Stratford & her
Grandson Richard Wilkie, Manchester
Martin Kane, Ballyhook & London

*Rest in
Peace*

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.

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th September 2021

Harvest Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving...Harvest time...awareness of blessings...gratitude for the gifts of life and love...it is necessary for us to think deeply about all we have been given. We can be almost overwhelmed by all that is ours. God is very generous to us. This Autumn season provides us with the opportunity to give thanks for the abundance and fullness of the harvest. Earth's fruitfulness has been harvested & the whole community rejoices.

Everywhere we look, we see the countless blessings God has given us— from the twinkling stars to the rich brown earth, from the spontaneous smile to the spring in someone's step, from the sound of hearty laughter to the smell of sweet perfume. This is a time to honour the abundance and generosity of the earth. We look around at the luscious fruits, the wholesome vegetables and the beautiful flowers and we are in awe. Yes, the generosity of our God strikes all our senses. The sights and smells cause our heads to turn and we can truly shout aloud: The Lord has indeed done great things in providing us with a bountiful harvest, a harvest that provides us with food and drink and clothing and so much more.

There is also the spiritual harvest of our personal lives. Each of us allowed to flower within our being many seeds of goodness and kindness and in doing so nourish each other's lives. Yes, these are the fruits of our spiritual growth for which we are grateful. Now is the time to gather our basket of blessings; the time to remember that we have what we need to give us strength and nourishment during our barren times.

*"You Lord have given so much to me;
Give me one thing more - a grateful heart"*



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ONLINE SURVEY

How has the return to celebrating Mass in church been for you?

Bishop Denis, the Diocesan Pastoral Council and the Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation are hoping to hear people's experience of coming back to Mass in person.

What did you miss? Why did you come back?

How does it feel to be back?

What can we do to make our celebrations even more nourishing for people?

Let us know by completing a short on line survey. You can access the survey by going to <https://forms.office.com/r/nye9bBH7MG>. This link is also available on kandle.ie, as well as on Kandle Facebook and Twitter.

EIST CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

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

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers

01, 03, 25, 29

No Jackpot Winner

This week's jackpot: **€6,000**

2 Match 3 Winners share €300

Jim Byrne & Mary Donegan

STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers

02, 11, 12, 15

No Jackpot Winner

This week's jackpot: **€10,000**

7 Match 3 Winners share €250

Niamh Bolger, Jimmy Fluskey, Fergus Moore, Aisling Keatly, Ann Whelan, Abbie Murphy, Elaine McGrath
Sellers Prize: Kellyann Bollard

CONGRATULATIONS



To all the boys and girls who received First Holy Communion in Baltinglass on Saturday 25th.
[Stratford on Sat. 2nd Oct.]

THIS SUNDAY — MIGRANT SUNDAY COLLECTION

At Masses next weekend a collection to support the work of the Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants (IECE) who provides grant funding to Irish organisations overseas working with the most vulnerable of our emigrant community; from the elderly and isolated to the undocumented and those dealing with mental health problems.

WCCC SUPPORT CLINICS – BLESSINGTON

Do you have any childcare related questions or queries? Wicklow County Childcare Committee (WCCC) are facilitating support clinics for parents, childminders & providers, where you will have the opportunity to discuss any childcare related query you may have. The Clinics will be held on the first Tuesday of every month from 10.30- 12.30 in Blessington library. ☑ Are you a childminder thinking of setting up or already set up and want to know options for registration etc? You can discuss in confidence any query you might have. Are you a parent worried about options for childcare? We can help you navigate the options available. Are you thinking of starting a Parent and Toddler Group? To book a half hour slot, email: bernie@wccc.ie with your preferred time, date and contact details.

QUALIFIED ACCOUNTANT REQUIRED

At least 2 years Practice experience.

Friendly office with Flexible hours.

Attractive terms to the right candidate.

Please contact 087 - 8558 729

BALTINGLASS FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING CENTRE NEW COURSE STARTING OCTOBER 13TH. MANAGE YOUR MONEY

This course will help you to:

- Plan a budget
- Prepare a weekly spending plan
- Identify ways of saving money
- Distinguish tax and social welfare deductions on a payslip
- Identify various social welfare entitlements
- Know your rights as a consumer and how to exercise them
- Find out which agencies to contact if in financial difficulties

**Wednesday evenings, 6pm to 8pm,
small class size.**

If you are interested, contact Annette/ Maeve on 059-6482642 or 086-8462771
Email abealtinglass@kwetb.ie

Please note: Covid restrictions will all be in place for your safety and well-being on all our courses.

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.

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SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH FINANCIALLY

Thanks to those who continue to contribute to the Weekly Envelope collection.
Your support is very much appreciated.

You can contribute by:

Envelope: Leave your envelope into the Parish Office during opening hours.

Standing Order: Details as follows:

Bank: Bank of Ireland, Baltinglass.

A\C Name: Baltinglass Parish

IBAN: IE67BOFI90650784187086 BIC: BOFIE2D

STRIPE: Visit Baltinglass Parish Website and follow the instructions for donating using this facility.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!