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MASS

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

NEWSLETTER

Articles for the newsletter must be
received before 12 noon on
Thursday.

Articles can be emailed or left into the
Parish Office. They must include your
name & contact details.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

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

THE OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY

SUNDAY MASS:	GRANGECON	STRATFORD
November:	14/28	21/
December:	12/26	5/19

WE REMEMBER

RECENT DEATHS

Frank Byrne, Deerpark, Baltinglass

ANNIVERSARIES

Maisie (Mary) Andrews nee Donohoe,
Moneymore & Dublin

Tommy & Christy Murphy, Carrigeen

Rita Germaine, Parkmore

Patrick McGrath, Carrigeen

Bridie Doherty, Carrigeen

Mary, Pauraic Naughton, Spiddal

Seamus Conneely, Galway

Fr Gary Doyle P.P.

Matt & Elizabeth Mulhall & their Son Michael,
Shroughaun

Betty Quirke, Parkmore

Margaret O'Reilly, Carrigeen

Michael Twyford, Rathmoon

Stephen Byrne, Tuckmill

Frank Doyle & his Son James (Jim), Carrigeen

Shane O'Loughlin, West Demense

Grangecon 9.30am:

*Rest in
Peace*

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

14th November 2021



A Time to Pause & Be Still

As the days of light get shorter and shorter, there is an invitation to an unhurried pace in the circle of life. Now is the time for withdrawal and restoration of energy.

It is about going into the darkness, waiting for the light and being open to new growth in our inner being.

All of creation needs some time to pause and have its energy renewed. So do we humans.

Winter offers us the gift of essential renewal.

Because of the uncomfortable conditions of winter, it is natural not to value this season. The same is true of our interior winters. The human spirit needs rest and silence.

Winter provides this opportunity so we can slow down and refocus our direction and purpose in God's plan for our lives.

May we have the courage to stand strong: Faith to maintain a positive outlook and hope for the future.



RADIO MARIA IRELAND

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

STRATFORD/GRANGECON LOCAL DEVELOPMENT GROUP CAFÉ/SHOP PROJECT

Wicklow Co. Council has grant aided this state of the art sustainable building (Kelly's old shop in the centre of Stratford village), but in order to be able to claim the remaining grants, we need to provide the necessary community funding. However our little core group badly needs more members to help with ideas and assistance in our fundraising. Work has been delayed firstly due to Covid and secondly due to the reconfiguring of the internal design of the premises in line with HSE standards. Please come along to our next meeting on Thursday 2nd December from 7pm to 9pm in the Coach house next to Stratford RC Church (entrance from Church grounds). Looking forward to meeting you all and don't forget your masks!!!

DANNY'S CORNER: Hi all, I want to remind you that Kiltegan Christmas Tractor Run is on Saturday December 4th. This is in aid of Baltinglass Hospital Patient Fund and The Lalor Centre. Everyone is welcome. **Danny!**

THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY

are looking for volunteer drivers to drive patients to and from cancer treatments in our locality to the hospital. If you are available two weekdays per month and interested in this role, you can find further information including an online application form on their [website](http://www.irishcancer.ie). If you like further information please email volunteer@irishcancer.ie

STRATFORD/GRANGECON

GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers
09, 16, 21, 28
No Jackpot Winner

This week's jackpot: €11,750
2 Match 3 Winners - €125 each
Francie Kavanagh, Terry Butler
Sellers Prize: Maurice Mangan

STRATFORD / GRANGECON GAA CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

is on Sunday 21st November in the Clubhouse from 11-3pm. 24 stalls of varied crafts, from baking to crochets along with a superb raffle. Come visit Santa too. Covid guidelines apply.

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers
03, 09, 13, 26
No Jackpot Winner

This Week's Jackpot €7,400
4 Match 3 Winners - share €300
Lorraine O'Neill, Larry Coogan,
Christine Lennon, Michael O'Neill

UPDATE ON FAIRLY TRADED CHRISTMAS MARKET

Baltinglass Fairtrade Group have changed the venue for their market from Baltinglass Courthouse to Main Street in front of Mc Allister Monument on 20th November 10am to 3pm. Come along to enjoy free Fairtrade refreshments, Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, food samples and Traybake. Fairtrade felt Christmas decorations from Nepal, Olive wood decorations from Bethlehem and Baubles on sale. 'Free to take' Advent Book Calendars for Children on offer, examples of sustainable gift wrapping on display and recipe booklets to avoid food waste available.

November is All Souls Month When We Pray for



IN NOVEMBER WE REMEMBER

Our Annual Mass of Remembrance, when we remember with love & gratitude all our loved ones, especially those who died in the past year, will be celebrated on Tuesday 23rd November in St. Joseph's Church at 7.30pm.

Remembrance Mass at Knock



To pastorally support everyone who has suffered the pain of bereavement during the pandemic, and in the context of the month of November as the traditional time when we remember our dead, on next Sunday, 14 November at 3.00pm, the bishops of Ireland will undertake a pilgrimage to the International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine in Knock. The bishops will concelebrate Mass for all those who have died in our country during the pandemic, and for their families. At the Mass the bishops will also offer prayers of thanksgiving for all those who so selflessly sacrificed so much during the pandemic. This Mass will be live-streamed on www.knockshrine.ie & broadcast on the RTÉ News Now digital television channel online. Bishop Denis will be attending the Mass and has invited Dermot Phelan from Stratford, whose parents John and Sheila died from Covid in January to represent our diocese.

ACI Zoom Meeting

Being Catholic in Contemporary Ireland 8pm Thursday 25th November

"The majority of Irish people see and understand themselves as Catholics. Being Catholic is embedded in school, community and family life. And yet there seems to be little interest in salvation in and through the Church. Moreover, being Catholic seems no longer relevant to fulfilling social, political, economic and, more significantly, environmental interests." Tom Inglis - Irish Sociologist and Commentator.

This observation - by the renowned writer on the Catholic Church's 'Moral Monopoly' in 20th century Ireland - will be expanded by Tom on 25th November - for discussion by all who are interested.

If, like ACI, you are convinced that 'being Catholic' is far from irrelevant in an ongoing world secular crisis - climatic and otherwise - be sure to join us to tell us why. To join us click the link below. Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85832005890?pwd=Y1I1UEp4OXVxbWsxOFlyWUpCTmF0Zz09>



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

AMRI Webinar – We Need to Talk 2 Tuesday 16th November 7– 9pm

There is still time to register for the webinar "We Need to Talk 2 - the second in a series of webinars organised by the AMRI Lay Mission Committee to explore the synodal process and what difference it might make to the role of lay people in the Church. This event will take place on Zoom platform. The link to register is on www.amri.ie