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**MASSES**  
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 Thursdays.

### PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

**Mon., Wed. & Fri.** 9.30am - 1.00pm  
**Tues. & Thurs.** 9.30am - 1.00pm  
1.30pm - 2.30pm

### SUNDAY MASSES

|           | <u>GRANGECON</u> | <u>STRATFORD</u> |
|-----------|------------------|------------------|
| January:  | 23               | 16/30            |
| February: | 6/20             | 13/27            |
| March:    | 6/20             | 13/27            |

### VISIT BALTINGLASS PARISH WEBSITE

For Weekly Newsletter, Information,  
to make a donation etc.  
[www.baltinglassparish.ie](http://www.baltinglassparish.ie)

### WE REMEMBER

#### RECENT DEATHS

Richard (Dick) Stapleton, Kiltegan

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Johnny Byrne, Tuckmill  
Nick Carty, Deerpark & Wamfler  
Mary Hanlon, Broadstown, Main Street, Clough  
& San Francisco  
Deirdre O'Connor, Baltinglass & Carlow  
Joe O'Toole, Main Street  
Andrew Doyle, Barronstown  
Breda Patterson, Belan Street  
Phil Mahon, Bunclody & her sister Lil McHugh, Naas  
John Kenny, Shroughaun  
Mick Keogh, Shroughaun  
Seán & Eileen Kearney, Tinoran & England  
Dan Campion, Parkmore  
Margaret & Michael Kehoe, Grange Con Hill  
Sr. Conleth Foley, Sydney and Carrigeen  
John Foley, Carrigeen

#### **Stratford: 9.30am (Sun)**

James Coleman, Stratford  
Tommy & Mary Whittle, Rathbran  
Egilis Puris, Manger

*Rest in  
Peace*

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 16TH JANUARY 2022

The Wedding of Cana is all about joy.  
It is the story of Jesus turning water into wine  
because the supply had run out.  
It is the story of Jesus blessing  
the Sacrament of Marriage.  
It is the story of our hearts being changed  
into hearts of joy and love.  
We too can ask for a miracle.  
Wine warms, gives courage, relaxes, softens.  
Let the wine of God's joy fill our hearts.

Why not ask for this?

Wouldn't it be wonderful  
to radiate joy to all we meet?  
A smile, a kind word, a wave, a handshake,  
a good deed, the little things of everyday life.  
Be faithful in small things,  
in the bits and pieces of everyday life.

Water & Wine - Life & Joy. (A.S.)





## RADIO MARIA IRELAND

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

## A Prayer in Time of Pandemic

Almighty and eternal God,  
our refuge in every danger,  
to whom we turn in our distress;  
in faith we pray  
look with compassion on the afflicted,  
grant eternal rest to the dead,  
comfort to mourners,  
healing to the sick, peace to the dying,  
strength to healthcare workers,  
wisdom to our leaders and  
the courage to reach out to all in love,  
so that together we may give glory  
to your holy name.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.



Ireland's biggest and best-selling religious newspaper!

### NOW ON SALE

The Irish Catholic newspaper is available in St. Joseph's Church each weekend.

**€2.50**

Sales have been affected by Covid.  
Publishers would appreciate your support.  
**Highly recommended reading for all!**

## BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers  
**07, 16, 17, 25**  
No Jackpot Winner

**4 Match 3 Winners** - Share €300  
Kevin O'Brien, Terry Butler,  
Leonora Murphy, Charlene Denny

**This week's Jackpot: €9,200**

## STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers  
**04, 05, 12, 27**  
No Jackpot Winner

**3 Match 3 Winners** - €85 each  
David & Lucy Cush, Patricia Pender,  
Beata Wisniewska

**Seller's Prize:** Colette Bollard  
**This week's Jackpot: €5,250**



Clean up  
after your  
dog

When out walking  
clean up after your dog  
if the need arises.  
Think especially of people  
coming after you who  
may have poor eye sight.



### 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



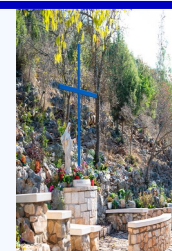
## PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

**Wednesday 31st Aug to 7th Sept. 2022**

**Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board. Cost: €765**

**€50 discount if €100 deposit paid by 1st February**

**For information contact: Parish Office 059 64 81 254,  
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"WE SAW THE  
STAR IN THE EAST,  
AND WE CAME TO  
WORSHIP HIM."

CF. MATTHEW 2:2

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR  
CHRISTIAN UNITY 2022



**18—25 JANUARY 2022**

The story of the Magi visiting the Holy Family in Bethlehem is one very familiar to us. The Magi have sometimes been seen as a symbol of the world's diversity – different religions and cultures – that comes to pay homage to the Christ-child. The story might therefore represent the unity of all created that God desires. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 has been prepared by the churches of the Middle East, the history of which was, and still is, characterised by conflict and strife, tainted with blood and darkened by injustice and oppression. The Christians of the Middle East offer these resources conscious that the world shares many of the travails and much of the difficulties that it experiences, and yearns for a light to lead the way to the Saviour who is the light that overcomes darkness.

Resources can be found on [www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayerforchristianunity2022/](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayerforchristianunity2022/)

## 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](mailto:info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie) or phone 085 866 1499.

## SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

### BIGSTONE NATIONAL SCHOOL

is now taking enrolments for the term starting in September 2022. Contact the school for an enrolment form:

**Phone:** 0599161171

**Email:** [bigstonens1@gmail.com](mailto:bigstonens1@gmail.com)

Or you can visit our website at <http://bigstonens.scoilnet.ie/blog/admissions-2022-2023/>

### S.N.MHUIRE NATIONAL SCHOOL STRATFORD-ON-SLANEY

Applications for enrolment in Junior Infants in S.N.Mhuire are available from 14th Jan.

For application form:

**Email:** [stratfordns@gmail.com](mailto:stratfordns@gmail.com)

or call in to the School Office.

### GRANGECON NATIONAL SCHOOL

Admissions for Grangecon National School are now open. If you wish to enroll your child in Grangecon N.S. for September 2022 For enrolment forms: Phone 045/403111 or email [grangeconns1965@gmail.com](mailto:grangeconns1965@gmail.com)

School webpage:

<http://grangeconns.scoilnet.ie/blog>

### SCOIL NAOMH IÓSAF NATIONAL SCHOOL BALTINGLASS

welcomes you to enrol for the 2022/2023 school year. Application forms for Admission are available on our school website [www.snibaltinglass.ie](http://www.snibaltinglass.ie) or on request from the Principal at [principal@snibaltinglass.ie](mailto:principal@snibaltinglass.ie).