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BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD
PARISH NEWSLETTER
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 25TH SEPTEMBER 2022



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 on Thursdays.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

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

VISIT BALTINGLASS PARISH WEBSITE

For Weekly Newsletter, Information, to make a donation etc.
www.baltinglassparish.ie

SUNDAY MASSES

	GRANGECON	STRATFORD
Oct:	2/16/30	9/23
Nov:	13/27	6/20
Dec:	11	4/18

WE REMEMBER

Anniversaries

Tim Long, Rathfarnham
Rita O'Brien, Carrigeen
Phyllis & Patrick Reddan, Tinoran
Michael & Julia Patterson, Main Street
Mary Brady, Parkmore
Mary & Richard Cully & the Walsh Family, Edenderry & deceased members of the Cully Family, Rhode
Sarah Davis & her Granddaughter Sarah Groves & the deceased members of the Davis & Groves Family
Mary & Patrick Kearney & deceased members of the Kearney Family, Tinoran
John Barrett, Shroughaun

Stratford: 9.30am (Sun)

Elizabeth Coleman, Stratford & her Grandson
Richard Wilkie, Manchester
Martin Kane, Stratford & London
Michael Merrins, Kildare
Patrick & Mary Kelly

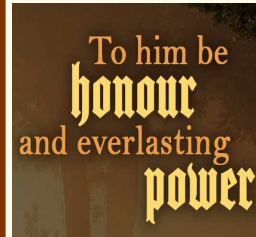
Rest in Peace

PRIEST'S RETREAT

As the priests of the diocese are on retreat this week. You are invited to be one with them during this time by participating in a Liturgy of Word on Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday mornings at 10am.

(This is instead of the usual 10am Mass).

You are also uniting yourself with people around the diocese who are doing the same.



'Between us & you a great gulf has been fixed'

After reflecting on today's gospel - the powerful parable of the rich man and the poor man, I was moved to tears. I realized that here I am the 'rich man' living a fine life 'dressed in purple and fine linen and feasting magnificently every day' while there are people in the world 'who long to fill themselves with the scraps from the rich man's table', from my table.

Now this is the story of our society and the story all over the world and I cry because I feel helpless about it. All I can do is show kindness and respect to every human being I meet and admit to myself that 'a great gulf has been fixed' between these two sides of myself - the light and the shadow.

I just need to stand in the light and to admit and recognize the dark side of myself. But the beauty of it all is that eternal life rises above both of these and the interior journey is the road to the eternal. On this road there are many revelations and many things have to be left behind for 'the son of man has nowhere to lay his head.'

All the parables have a deep message for each of us if I can just sit and reflect on them - and perhaps even chat about and share them with someone else because Jesus said "where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among you." A.S.

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"



VOLUNTEER WITH ALONE

ALONE provide services to older people living at home. ALONE recruits, trains and supports Volunteers for two services: a Visitation and Befriending Service, and a Telephone Support and Befriending Service. Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Training and support provided. If interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> for more information, contact Fiona on fiona.boyle@alone.ie or on 086 1366539.

MY LIFE IN YOUR HANDS

A book is to be published shortly containing a selection of writings by the late Fr. John Cummins PP of Abbeyleix & Ballyroan and native of Newbridge. A deep thinker, an accomplished preacher and a Doctor of Divinity, God's word and message were central to his vocation. This book reveals Fr. John's gentle sharing of his love of God through his reflections each Sunday and other occasions with the Christian communities of Abbeyleix & Ballyroan, Carlow and Naas. The book will be a useful companion as we journey through the coming liturgical year. For the casual reader, it is an opportunity to engage with the Christian faith.

DANNY'S CORNER

All of us in the Lalor Centre are enjoying looking at the vintage cars which are parked in the parish car park every morning. We wish all students who are going on to Third level education the best of luck in their studies.

STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers



01, 05, 22, 23
No Jackpot Winner



1 Match Winners €250

James Barrett, Goldenfort

Seller's Prize: Juanita Nolan

This week's Jackpot: €9,750

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO

Last Week's Winning Numbers



02, 05, 19, 26
No Jackpot Winner



7 Match 3 Winners - €45 each

Helen Markham, Sarah Coleman,
John Fleming, Patricia Doody, Denis Murray,
Tommy Byrne, Patrick McEntee

This week's Jackpot: €8,600



WEST WICKLOW COMMUNITY

EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES

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Environmental Worker

Ref: #CES-2238737

Scheme Location: **High Park, Kiltegan.**

Environmental Worker

Ref: #CES-2238413 Location: **Knockananna**

Environmental Worker

Ref: #CES-2236071

Scheme Location: **Baltinglass Tidy Towns.**

General Operative St Mary's Parish

Ref: #CES-2093876 Location: **Baltinglass**

General Operative St Joseph's Parish

Ref: #CES-2022523

Scheme Location: **Baltinglass.**

The Hub Shop & Café Assistant

Ref: #CES-2238735

Scheme Location: **Kiltegan**

Hours per week: **19.5 Hours Community**

DONARD/GLEN DAY CARE

is a community based not for profit creche situated in Donard, Co Wicklow. We are looking for enthusiastic, qualified and highly motivated early educators to join our team.

REQUIREMENTS ARE

- Minimum of QQI Level 5, experience and understanding of Aistear Play Based Curriculum, Siolta, ELC and SAC regulations.
- Team player with effective communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work flexible hours between 7.30am and 6.30pm, 38.5 hours per week.
- Competitive salary and other benefits available.

Contact: admin@donardglendaycare.ie or
Manager at 045 404522.

MONSTER AUCTION

In aid of Develop Tullow Association CLG Sunday 16th October 2pm. Viewing & Bric a Brac from 11am until Auction Time in the Captain Murphy Memorial Hall, Tullow. Good quality saleable items needed. No sanitary ware, beds, suites of furniture. Electrical items must be in p.w.o. Limited collection available up to October 9th. Drop off up to 12 noon Saturday 15th. Enquiries to Margaret Kirwan on 087 8538 596 or Denis Ryan 087 6701 091 or any committee member. No Outside Lots. Items purchased must be collected on day of Auction. (No VAT or Commission on any Items)

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Marriage Encounter Ireland are hosting a Marriage Enrichment Weekend from Friday 4th – Sunday 6th Nov. at the International Hotel, Cork Airport. To book a place please visit www.marriageencounter.ie

COASTAL ROSARY FOR FAITH & LIFE IN IRELAND

Sunday October 9th, the annual Coastal Rosary will take place at 2.30pm. Join thousands of people from around Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith at our coasts, grottos, rivers, churches, and other suitable places. Simply sign up a Rosary location at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie or text your location to 087 278 6552.

RATHVILLY & CASTLEDERMOT GARDEN & FLOWER CLUB

Meet on Thursday, September 29th in Teach Diarmada, Castledermot, Eircode R14 YF61, at 7.30 pm. The speaker this month is Gavin Moore of Dublin Alpine Society fame! Gavin has excellent knowledge of Alpine plants, both growing & showing. He will supplement his talk with a slideshow and will bring with him a selection of suitable plants & will teach us how to grow them successfully. Adm. €5 & Raffle €5. Tea, Biscuits & chat .

EVENING CLASSES RESUME

at Colaiste Eoin Hacketstown, on Monday 3rd October at 7pm. Classes are available in Art, Badminton, Make up Application, and Level 5 QQI Communications. For details email info@ceh.ie or Text 087 414 4395 .

BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 28th September at 3pm in Germaines. New membership are always welcome.

DONARD GLEN VARIETY CONCERT

Saturday 1st October at 8pm.
€10 per adult, €5 per child.
Pay on the door. Raffle on the night.
All proceeds go to Donard Community Hall.