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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 by 12 noon on Thursdays. PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Mon. Wed. & Fri. 9.30am - 1.00pm Tues. & Thurs. 9.30am - 1.00pm 1.30pm - 2..30pm

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SUNDAY MASSES		
	GRANGECON	STRATFORD
Jan:	22	15/29
Feb:	5/19	12/26

WE REMEMBER

RECENT DEATHS Aileen Kennedy, Chapel Hill Noel Lyons, Eadestown Glade, Stratford

ANNIVERSARIES

Alice Farrell, Weaver Square Catherine Cullen, Deerpark, Baltinglass Bridget Kerley, Graney John Molloy, Raheen Sarah Leigh, Rathbran Tom Smyth, Ballyraggan Tom Burke, Weavers Square Brian & Alice Ferguson & Brian Jnr. Charlie Shortt, Chapel Hill Martha Shortt, Tuckmill Jim & Tom Rooney, Ballymaconey & deceased members of the Rooney Family Teresa & Mick Kenny, Kiltegan, Clough and London Mary Malone, Parkmore John O'Sullivan, Carrigeen Pat O'Keeffe, 1 Parkmore Joseph & Brigit & James Fagan, Parkmore Rose Walsh, Rathmoon Grangecon: Sunday 9.30am Peter & Elizabeth Cullen, Bessina Niall Moore, Knocknamuck

John Salmon, Lowtown



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PARISH NEWSLETTER **BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

8TH JANUARY 2023

Jesus, our brother and friend, born like each of us, of a woman, and in weakness, plunged himself into human life at the waters of the Jordan, at the beginning of his life with us.

> Into the depths of sin, love, into the mystery of fragility, weakness, and into the history of his people.

The waters of the Jordan are the waters of joy and sorrow; they are waters of hope and mystery; and they are the waters of sin and division. into the waters of life Jesus plunged and made of them the living water of God.

All life is holy, sacred, eternal because of Jesus. We plunge with him into the depths of our own being; in the depths of love we will find the God of love, in the depths of weakness, the God of strength, in the depths of division, the God of reconciliation, in the depths of poverty and misery, the God of justice,

And in the depths of our humanity we will find the divine life of God.



JOSEPH RATZINGER 16 April 1927 - 31 December 2022 POPE BENEDICT XVI 19 April 2005 - 28 February 2013 Rest in Peace.

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ALONE are Seeking Volunteers Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training & support provided. If interested please sign up here: https://alone.ie/volunteers/ For more information, contact Frances on volunteer@alone.ie or on 086 1085965.

St Vincent de Paul

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



BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO Last Week's Winning Numbers



3 Match 3 winners - €100 each Margaret Cremin, Liam Horgan, Billy Wall This week's Jackpot: €11,900 Thanks to everyone for supporting our Lotto

MORTGAGE ARREARS/Abhaile Scheme

Are you in mortgage arrears? Are you worried about losing your home? If so, there is help. You may be entitled to Government support under the Abhaile Scheme. For more information, feel free to contact Tatiana McGreal, Financial Solutions Ireland on 085 867 4883 (www.fsireland.ie)

Ireland's biggest and best-selling relgious newspaper **ON SALE** in St. Joseph's Church each weekend. €2.50

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A\C Name:	Baltinglass Parish	
IBAN:	IE67BOFI90650784187086 BIC: BOFIIE2D	
STRIPE:	Visit Baltinglass Parish Website and follow the instructions for donating using this facility.	

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about everyday things e.g., Gardening, Cook-

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private and confidential. The phone opera-

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The service operates from 9.15am to 2.30pm

Monday to Friday.

'Good Morning Kildare' supports

Independent Living & Social Connection.

The service is supported by the HSE, DEASP, An Garda Siochána. If you are interested in availing of this service or you know

somebody who would benefit, please

contact 045-859037 / 045-870268 or

E-mail:goodmorningkildare@vahoo.ie

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE Wednesday 30th Aug to 6th Sept. 2023 Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board. Cost: €795 €50 discount if €100 deposit paid by 31st January

For information contact: Parish Office 059 64 81 254,

Fr. Ger 087 629 8881, Andy Murphy 087 09 00 819





Full and part time education courses available daytimes and evenings in the Baltinglass FETC. We are here to help you reach your potential, get back into education, have fun, meet other people and gain confidence. Courses are free and flexible **OOI Certified courses are offered as follows:** Level 2 – 4: Communications, Retail skills, Office Skills, Word Processing, Spreadsheets and other IT modules. Level 5 - 6: Tourism, e Business, , SNA, Healthcare to name just a few. CV Preparation/Interview Skills Course: For those wanting to upskill or gain/change employment Courses in Art, Gardening, Computers, IT and Wellbeing: These are practical and fun courses and offer a chance to return to education in a relaxed and friendly environment. Adult Guidance Service: Are you considering changing your career or doing a course? Contact Irene on 086 806 1569.



PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE On the 4th April for 7 nights. Contact Duffy Coach hire on 059 64 71 681 / 087 254 3235.