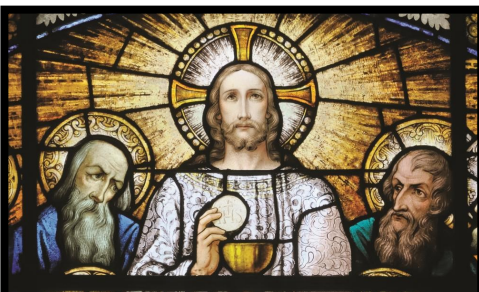


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**MASSES**  
**St. Joseph's Church**  
**Tues. - Fri. 10am**  
**Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am**  
**Available on Webcam**  
**& Radio 100.2fm**

**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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For Weekly Newsletter, Information,  
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**SUNDAY MASSES**

	<u>GRANGECON</u>	<u>STRATFORD</u>
August:		27
Sept:	3/17	10/24

### WE REMEMBER

#### RECENT DEATH

Mary Gadsdon (nee Coleman ), Stratford

#### MONTHS MIND

Pauric Brady, Parkmore

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Bertie McDermott, Frankstown, Dunshaughlin  
Mary Foley, Carrigeen  
Michael Miley, Ballyraggan  
Christina Bradley, Edward Street  
Agnes Gorman, Holdenstown  
Michael O'Keeffe, 1 Parkmore  
Margaret Lalor, Swords and Irongrange, her  
husband Mikey, & sons Micheál & Eamon  
Joe Whelan, Holdenstown  
Joseph Murphy, Main Street  
Bridget Byrne, Main Street  
John, PJ & Roy Fox, Parkmore

*Rest in  
Peace*

#### GRANGECON 9.30am

#### MONTHS MIND

Kevin O'Hara, Ballinure

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Tony Harte, Barronstown & Dublin  
Ellen Germaine, Bessina

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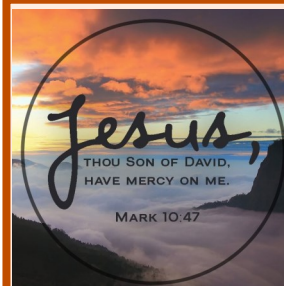
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BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 20TH AUGUST 2023



## "Son of David, take pity on me"

There are no evil people, only evil actions. In today's Gospel a woman called out to Jesus "Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil." Many people place the blame on "Satan" for all of the evil in the world. We just need to look at ourselves, but let's look and focus on the goodness within, that goodness that comes from God, that goodness which is the essence of our being—the bedrock of our personality.

**God only sees his beautiful creation as we are made in his image and likeness. He is the potter and we are the clay. We can call out to God for compassion as the woman did, "Son of David, take pity on me."**

**We may have done things that we regret but we can always turn over a new leaf. God is all compassion and indeed we are invited to be compassionate also. Who knows what a person has gone through in his/her life, maybe what aspects have been inherited and so on.**

**Yes, "Son of David, take pity on me."**

May we find forgiveness in our hearts, for ourselves and for others. Lead us Lord to freedom, the freedom to live from our unique selves, our unique beings—from that place that is all good and no need to copy anyone.

**"Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted"!**

## 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"



## TREASURE IRELAND

 A new video series launched recently by the Irish Dominicans is an ambitious project that will take the friars to every county in Ireland, filming roughly ten videos in each county, highlighting the many and varied stories that make up the history of Irish Christianity.

The series is currently focussed on the counties which overlap with the territory of the diocese of Kildare and Leighlin: Laois, Kildare, Carlow, and (soon!) Kilkenny.

Some of the sites visited include Timahoe, the Rock of Dunamase, and the Brownhill Dolmen. The story of Jesuit photographer, Fr Frank Browne, is told in a video recorded in Emo Court, and that of pioneering scientist, Fr Nicholas Callan, in a video from Maynooth.

The stories of the great saints of these counties feature prominently: there are videos on St Brigid, St Mochua, St Moling, St Fergal of Aghaboe, and the Dominican martyr, Blessed Peter O'Higgins. There'll soon be added to that list the stories of two great bishops of Kildare and Leighlin: Daniel Delany (d. 1814) and James Doyle (d. 1834), also known as J.K.L. ('James of Kildare and Leighlin').

All of these stories are told in a way designed to interest believers and non-believers alike, showing, bit by bit, that the Gospel is woven inseparably into the fabric of Irish history. Videos can be viewed on <https://www.kandle.ie/treasure-ireland/> and <https://www.youtube.com/irishdominicans>

## STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



**Winning Numbers**  
**03, 07, 11, 15**  
**No Jackpot Winner**



### 9 Match 3 Winners €25 each

John Kenny, Claire Morrissey, Mags Kearney, Tara McCormack, Samantha Lennon, Paul Moore, Dermot Moore, Katie & Brudie, James Barrett

**Sellers Prize:** Maurice Mangan  
**This week's Jackpot: €7,100**

## BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



**Winning Numbers**  
**09, 13, 17, 19**



**Jackpot Winner €10,200**  
**Sheila Ryan**

### 8 Match 3 Winners €40 each

Bill Kenny, Joanne Daly, Patricia Norton, Christine Deering, Denis Ryan, Mick Neill, Eileen Dunne, Teresa McLoughlin

**This week's Jackpot: €5,000**

## ALL-IRELAND POLLINATOR PLAN



The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan is an island-wide attempt to reverse declines in pollinating insects. One third of our bee species are threatened with extinction in Ireland. The good news is that you can help by making your garden pollinator friendly. Every garden, no matter its size, can be a haven for hungry pollinators. [www.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/](http://www.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/)



### 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

## RAMPERE RECYCLING CENTRE



### FARM PLASTIC

**Date:** 2nd September  
**Time:** 10am - 2pm

### MATTRESS COLLECTION

**Date:** 9th September  
**Time:** 10am - 2pm



### HAZARDOUS WASTE

**Date:** 16th September  
**Time:** 10am - 2pm  
Paints, Medicines etc.



## TEARMANN COMMUNITY GARDEN

### Sales in the Garden

Monday to Friday:  
8 to 11.30am.

Organic Lettuce, Herbs, Scallions, Shallots, Radish, Rhubarb, Eggs.

**Garden open daily during daylight hours only.**



## KILDARE CARMELITE ANNUAL KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

The bus will depart the square Kildare Town at 8am. To secure a place on the bus, contact: Carmelite Church Shop Kildare, Martin Cowley 087 2553582, or Esther Brady 087 6732848.

**Cost: €20 per person**

## LEAVING CERTIFICATE 2023

Best wishes to all students who will receive the results of their Leaving Certificate exams on Friday.

We hope that they will help you move on to your desired career path.

**EXAM  
RESULTS**



**"Nature is a magnificent book in which God speaks to us and grants us a glimpse of his infinite beauty and goodness. Rather than a problem to be solved, the world is a joyful mystery to be contemplated with gladness and praise" (# 12)**



## BALTINGLASS TIDY TOWNS

Meet on Wednesdays at 6:30pm at McAllister Statue. If you can spare an hour of your time to help us out, we would appreciate it. We need all the help we can get. Thanks!

## DATE FOR YOUR DIARY CLOTHES COLLECTION

In aid of West Wicklow Day Care Centre on Friday 1st & Saturday 2nd and 8th & 9th September in the mornings. Times to be confirmed. Drop off your bags at the Old Ambulance Depot at Baltinglass Hospital.

## UISCE FOR TANZANIA

This is a locally based registered charity founded by Jim Kavanagh, Rathdangan and Hacketstown. The organisation works to install rural village water supplies to communities in Tanzania who are very much in need of our help. You can support their work by using the 'gofundme' link: [www.uiscefortanzania.ie](http://www.uiscefortanzania.ie) or the bank IBAN: IE98BOFI90673426200262 If you wish to make a donation by cheque make it payable to Uisce for Tanzania and leave it into the Parish Office and it will be forwarded to Jim Kavanagh 085 12729854.

**THIS IS A CAUSE WORTHY OF YOUR SUPPORT. NO MATTER HOW SMALL YOUR DONATION IT WILL HELP OTHERS TO HAVE CLEAN RUNNING WATER.**

