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MASSES

St. Paul's Oratory
Tues.—Fri. 10am
St. Joseph's Church
Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am
Available on webcam & radio 100.2fm
Grangecon\Stratford
Alternate Sundays 9.30am

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

| | <u>GRANGECON</u> | <u>STRATFORD</u> |
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| Jan: | | 28 |
| Feb: | 4/18 | 11/25 |

MORNING MASSES THIS WEEK

PLEASE NOTE

Mass on Wednesday & Friday
No Mass on Tuesday or Thursday

WE REMEMBER

RECENT DEATHS

Elizabeth (Betty) Keane, Ballinatone, Stratford
Mary (May) Faulkner, Raheen, Baltinglass
Ellen (Nell) Fleming, Crookstown & Grangecon
Joseph (Joe) Shortt, Tuckmill & Canada

MONTHS MIND

Jean Staines, Allen Dale Lawn, Baltinglass &
Dublin

ANNIVERSARIES

Bridget Satelle (née Hayden), Raheen
Annie Jameson (née Hayden), Raheen
Tom Nolan, Tuckmill
Esther Curry, Parkmore
Ambrose O'Neill, Tuckmill & deceased
members of the O'Neill Family
Andrew Doyle, Barronstown
Mary Doyle, Tinoran
Johnny & Sheila Phelan, Stratford
Mary Swayne, Hughestown
Lizzie McGeer, Parkmore & all deceased
members of the McGeer Family
Paddy Murphy, Seskin, Donard
Joseph, Bridget & James Fagan, Parkmore
Jimmy & Ena Doyle, Parkmore
William Sutton, Belan Street
Declan Howe, Newbridge
Casey Furlong, Rathdangan
Seán & Eileen Kearney, Tinoran & England

GRANGECON: 9.30AM

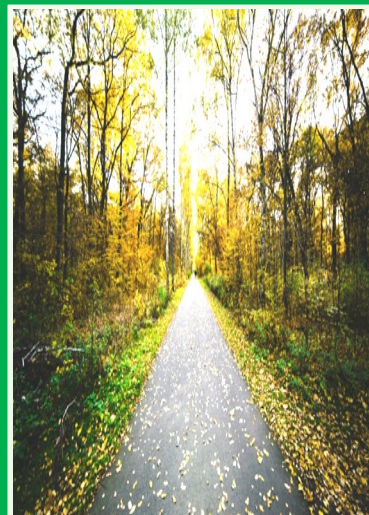
Margaret & Michael Kehoe, Grangecon Hill
Ann Moore, Knocknamuc
Jack Keogh, Winetavern
Jim O'Hara, Dunlavin



BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 21ST JANUARY 2024



'Lord make me know your ways'

Each person has a unique way about them -
the way they walk, the way they talk
or make gestures with their hands,
their facial expressions and so on.

Well, today's psalm says

'Lord make me know your ways'.

Will we ever know and understand
the ways of the Lord?

With him everything is the other way around to the ways of the world,
the rejected people being first in the ways of the Lord.

Each morning I need to ask the Lord to guide me along the right path,
to trust in Him that my day will go well,
that He will send the right people my way.

Remember that we only get the manna for the one day.

How often do I go astray in my thoughts, words or actions.

I need to forgive myself for this and
ask the Lord to 'make me walk in your truth!'
How often I stray from the truth'.

How often I need to ask forgiveness of others and of myself and
isn't this why I need a Saviour who 'shows the path to those who stray'.
All I have to do is to ask in my own unique way. A.S.

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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18TH—25TH JANUARY 2024



*'You shall love the Lord your God.....
and your neighbour as yourself' (Lk 10:27)*

The annual Week of Prayer is an important opportunity for shared reflection and a reminder of our connection to our fellow Christians near and far, and encourages praying together for issues of common concern. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place from Thursday 18 to 25 January, the octave of St Peter and St Paul. This year's theme draws on the parable of the Good Samaritan with its call to 'love the Lord your Godand your neighbour as yourself' (Lk 10:27).



BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT ACTIVE RETIRED

The next Monthly Meeting will be held on Wednesday 31st January in Inis Fáil, Germaine's at 3pm. New membership welcomed.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM)

will take place on Wednesday 28th February at 3pm in Inis Fáil.

STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

08, 17, 23, 25

No Jackpot Winner



4 Match 3 Winners - €50 each

Mary Keogh, Dylan O' Neill,
Roisin Mangan, Eoin Murtagh

Sellers Prize: Maurice Mangan

This week's Jackpot: €7,600

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

03, 17, 24, 28

No Jackpot Winner



6 Match 3 Winners - share €300

Josie Dooley, Raymond Danne,
Mary Doran, Alan Roberts,
Dan Kavanagh, Gordon Manley

This week's Jackpot: €9,700



JACKPOT €1000

Mondays at 8pm in Fatima Hall

Thanks to everyone for their support.

AFTERNOON OF HEALING

The Guardians team of therapists would like to welcome you to an afternoon of healing on Saturday 27th January in the Parish Hall in Grange Con from 2.30pm - 5pm.

Therapies include Acupuncture, Amatsu, Bowen Therapy, Counselling, Craniosacral Therapy, Kinesiology, Naturopathy, Osteopathy, Reiki. It's a free event and all are welcome. To book a session call or text Kevin Mallen 087 174 5581. (Donations welcome).



CELEBRATING ST BRIGID

1500

Annual Féile Bríde

Solas Bríde Centre Kildare

Féile Bríde (Brigid's Festival) is a week-long series of events commencing on the eve of St. Brigid's Day (31st January). This year, over the course of 10 days, the festival will mark the 1500th anniversary of St Brigid's death and details of the events planned are available locally and on <https://solasbhríde.ie/feile-bride-2024/>

Cathedral Evening Prayer for St Brigid

February 1st marks the opening of a national year commemorating St Brigid, patron of our diocese and secondary patron of Ireland, 1500 years since her death. Bishop Denis invites people from across the diocese to join him for a special **Evening Prayer in the Cathedral of the Assumption on February 1st at 7:30 pm**. Music will be led by Fr Liam Lawton and the diocesan choir.

ENGLISH SPEAKING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

on Tuesday evenings at 6.30pm in the library to work with non-english speaking people in a class here at the Library. If anyone has time to help they can contact us at Baltinglasslib@wiclowlowcoco.ie. or please phone 059 648 2300.

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND

Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000 + family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.

SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

BIGSTONE NATIONAL SCHOOL

Open Evening Thursday 25th Jan. 7 to 8pm. Prospective parents & their children are invited to come along to visit our school and meet students and teachers. If you are interested in enrolling your child in the school but cannot attend on the 25th please contact us on 059 9161171 or 085-2120952 or by email at office@bigstonens.ie for an application form. Further information and application forms may also be found on our website: www.bigstonens.ie.

SCOIL NAOMH IÓSAF

NATIONAL SCHOOL BALTINGLASS

Welcomes you to enrol for the 2024/2025 school year. Application forms for admission are available on our school website www.snibaltinglass.ie or on request from the Principal at principal@snibaltinglass.ie.

GRANGECON NATIONAL SCHOOL

Admissions for Grangecon National School are now open. If you wish to enroll your child in Grangecon N.S. for September 2024 For enrolment forms: Phone 045/403111 or email grangeconns1965@gmail.com School webpage: <http://grangeconns.scoilnet.ie/blog>

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

Applications for enrolment in Junior Infants in S.N.Mhuire are now available. For application form: Email: stratfordns@gmail.com or call in to the School Office.



Catholic Schools Week

Sun 21 to Sat 27 January 2024
Theme: Catholic Schools as Communities of Service