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MASSES

St. Paul's Oratory

Mon.- Fri. 10am

St. Joseph's Church

Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am

Available on webcam & radio 100.2fm

Grangecon\Stratford

Alternate Sundays 9.30am

NEWSLETTER

PLEASE NOTE

No Newsletter next week.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

**The Office is CLOSED this week and
will re-open on Monday 8th at 9.30am**

Anniversaries etc. can be left into
the Sacristy before or after any of the
Masses during this time or else you can
drop them in the Parish Centre Post Box
up to 4pm on Friday.

VISIT BALTINGLASS PARISH WEBSITE

For Weekly Newsletter, Information,
to make a donation etc.

www.baltinglassparish.ie

SUNDAY MASSES

GRANGECON

STRATFORD

April:	7/21	14/28
May:	5/19	12/26

WE REMEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES

Tom Curry & his sons Michael & Gerry,
Bawnogues
Jim Breen, Deerpark
Patricia Burke, Woodfield
Michael Patterson, Carrigeen
Bridget Dawson, Tuckmill
Tom, Mabel & May Doyle, Main Street
Thomas & Kathleen Hegarty, 32 Parkmore
Bridget Clynch, Killalesh & deceased members
of the Clynch & Doyle Families, Kiltegan
Fran, & Mollie Westlake & their Son Frankie,
Carrigeen
Christy Donohoe, Tinoran & England

Grangecon: 9.30am

Mary Salmon, Lowtown

Baltinglass: 6th & 7th April

Bill McDermott, Parkmore
Gerry Barry, Allendale Lawn
Kate Kennedy, Wexford
Patrick Walshe, Woodfield
Bridget O'Shaughnessy, Carrigeen

*Rest in
Peace*



Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

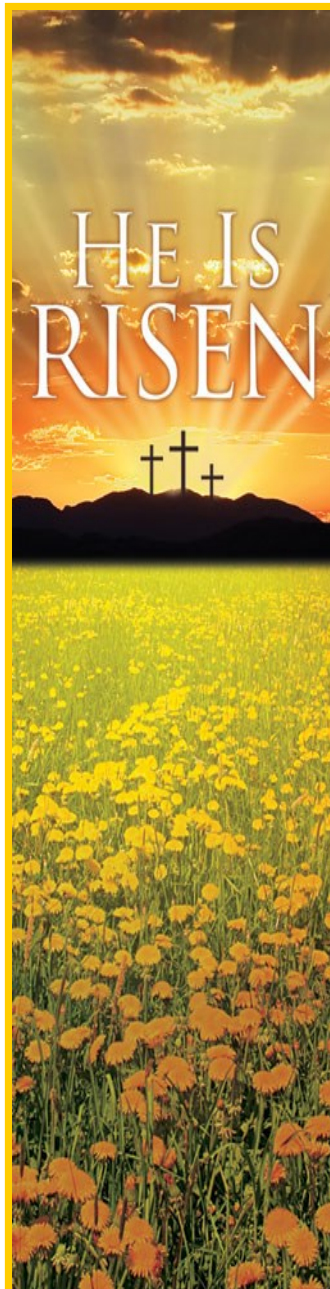
Sunday 2nd June 2024

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

EASTER SUNDAY

31st MARCH 2024



EASTER MESSAGE FROM BISHOP DENIS

I love the refrain that carried us through these past Triduum days "Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross, but God raised him high". There was that sense of the refrain building up as each day of the Triduum passed. Everything is there in those few words & Easter is the greatest celebration in the cycle of our Church.

We make a lot of Lent, I think, sometimes to the neglect of Easter. The Sacred Triduum allowed us to walk with Jesus in his pain and desolation. It brought us many places, from a procession where palms were waving to an upper room to a garden and then to a hill, like no other hill. Yesterday we waited at the tomb, with that feeling that God was absent.

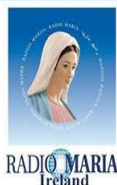
Then comes the great Easter Vigil as we read scripture, light candles, baptise new members of the church and celebrate the Eucharist. Easter lasts much longer than a vigil night, splendid as that celebration may be. Easter lasts for fifty days.

As we journey those days, may we hold in our prayers those who need most to hear that "God raised him high". God will be with us all and raise us with him; this is the hope of the new beginnings that Easter promises.

May the Risen One be with you this Easter.

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"



STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

03, 10, 13, 17



No Jackpot Winner

5 Match 3 Winner - €40 each

Declan Hanly, Oliver Keogh,
Bridy O'Neill, Katrina Byrne, Carmel Kenny

Sellers Prize: Colette Bollard

This week's Jackpot: €11,400



CONFIRMATION

Saturday 20th April 11am
St. Joseph's Church, Baltinglass

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Grangecon: Saturday 27th April
Stratford: Saturday 11th May
Baltinglass/Bigstone: Saturday 18th May

SLÍ LORCÁN UA TUATHAIL

**Walk from Mullaghreelan Wood
via Moone to Baltinglass on Sat. 6th April.**
Bus leaving Baltinglass at 9.30am for starting
point. Bus and lunch €25. Bus only €15.
For information and bookings contact:
Canon Máirt Hanley 087 6194733 or
email: canonhanley@gmail.com

Community Employment JOBSFAIR

LALOR CENTRE Thursday 4th Apr. 10-12noon
Are you interested in learning about
Community Employment opportunities with
Kare Adult Supports or with Childcare
training and opportunities? Come along and
meet us for a chat about options on our
Community Employment Programmes.
Vacancies available in Wicklow areas:
Baltinglass, Blessington, Stratford, Tinahely.

DANNY'S CORNER

Hello all! It's my favourite time of the year
again. It's time to put your clocks forward an
hour on 31st March, so you will lose an hour
sleep on Sunday night. Happy Easter. Danny!

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

06, 09, 14, 25



No Jackpot Winner

5 Match 3 Winners share €300

Niamh Horan, Jonee O'Connor,
Barry Deveraux, Aimee Porter,
Liam Redmond

This week's Jackpot: €12,000



EASTER MONDAY at 3pm in Fatima Hall
Thanks to everyone for their support

ART & CRAFTS WITH OLHA AT BALTINGLASS LIBRARY

Friday 5th April: Clay Modelling at 3pm
Saturday 6th April: Acrylic Painting 11am
This is a free event and for adults.
Please book at the library 059 648 2300
or baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie

ALL-IRELAND POLLINATOR PLAN



This 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. See link below for information:
pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-

**Bazhayemo vsim nashym ukrayins'kym
druzyam shchastya voskresloho Khrysta.
My pam'yatayemo vashi rodyny ta
molymosya za myr u vashiy krayini.**

*We wish all our Ukrainian friends the happiness
of the risen Christ. We remember your families
and pray for peace in your country.*



TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Boxes may be returned
by putting them through
the letter box at the Parish Centre.
It would be a great help if coin
was converted into notes if
at all possible.
However, in whatever form it
comes it will be appreciated.



Baltinglass & District Active Retirement

At our March Meeting this week we
celebrated 20 Years of Active Retirement in
Baltinglass.

Upcoming Events:

'Tuesdays with Morrie' in the Gaeity
Saturday 27th April. Seats still available.
Contact details: Mary on 087-299-9571

Afternoon Tea Dance: Funded by Creative
Ireland, Wednesday 8th May in Inis Fail,.

Holiday Break: Castlerosse Hotel, Killarney,
23rd June to 26th June (for three nights).
€400 per person sharing. No single rooms
left.

Weekly Activities:

Bowling: Tues 2nd April, Fatima Hall 3 –
4pm.

Bridge: Parish Centre on Weds. 10.30 – 12

Yoga: Classes will resume in May.

Coffee Mornings: 'Hug a Mug', on Fridays of
April at 11am.

BALTINGLASS STAY & PLAY GROUP

for Babies & Toddlers meets every Thursday
10am - 11.30am in the Old School, Church Lane.
New Babies, Toddlers, Parents, Grandparents,
Childminders welcome. Find us on Facebook
Baltinglass Stay & Play Group.

LENLEN AND EASTER PRIESTS COLLECTION

Thanks to those who have already returned
their envelopes. If you haven't done so
you may bring it to Mass over Easter or
drop it into the Parish Office. If you do
not have a parish envelope you may use
one of your own and put your name on it.
Your support is much appreciated.

SeniorLine

Would you like someone to talk to?

SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone
service for older people, open every day of
the year 10am to 10pm, & can be contacted
on Freephone 1800 80 45 91.
Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to
discuss a problem in confidence, or for
company during their day. SeniorLine's
volunteers are trained to listen, to support,
to discuss options & refer the caller to other
helpful services available if necessary.
So don't be alone if sharing a problem would
help, phone SeniorLine.

SOLIDARITY SUNDAY HOUR

Baltinglass 'Fairtrade' and Baltinglass 'Hope
for Humanity' are joining forces to stand in
solidarity with the people of Gaza for 1 hour
on Sunday April 7, 2 to 3pm
at the McAllister statue.

We are calling this **Solidarity Sunday Hour.**
Please come and join us.!

CONGLAIS CRAFTERS

Are taking a break over the Easter season.
Activities will resume on Tuesday 23rd April.