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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
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

SUNDAY MASSES		
	GRANGECON	STRATFORD
March:	31	24
April:	7/21	14/28
May:	5/19	12/26

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



**Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan
Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine**
Sunday 2nd June 2024

WE REMEMEBER

MONTHS MIND

Eileen Cramer, Holland & Rathmoon

ANNIVERSARIES

Dr Patrick Lord, Baltinglass
Maureen Molloy, Celbridge
Georgie Phelan, Rathmoon
Tom Murphy, Bawnogues
Peter Doyle, Tinoran
John Gorman, Holdenstown
Billy Fitzgerald & his Son Liam, Bawnogues
John & Ann O'Brien, Irongrange & Crecrin,
Ballyconnell
Patrick Lennon, Parkmore
Anthony Leigh, Bawnogues
Ned Swayne, Hughestown
Nancy Hughes, Parkmore
Bridie O'Kane, Edward Street
Anthony Graham, Stratford
Patrick Doyle, Graney

GRANGECON: 9.30AM

RECENT DEATH

Dermot Conlan, Portrane, Dublin

ANNIVERSARIES:

Maura Coleman, Knochters Hill, Grangecon
Jim & Bridget Byrne, The Rocks
Margaret Cronin, Springfield
Mary Harney, Colbinstown

*Rest in
Peace*

PLEASE NOTE

During Lent there will be Mass
on Monday mornings at 10am.

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

5th SUNDAY OF LENT

17th MARCH 2024



CHRIST be with me,
CHRIST within me,
CHRIST behind me,
CHRIST before me,
CHRIST beside me,
CHRIST to WIN me,
CHRIST to comfort
AND RESTORE me.
CHRIST beneath me,
CHRIST above me,
CHRIST IN quiet,
CHRIST IN danger,
CHRIST IN hearts
of all that love me,
CHRIST IN mouth
of friend and stranger.
(From St. Patrick's Breastplate Prayer)



The feast of our national patron, is a day to celebrate all that is good in our lives and around us. It is a time to be proud of our Spiritual heritage and traditions. St. Patrick had great devotion to God and was always sensitive of God's presence in creation.

In today's world where many people drift aimlessly in life, Patrick is a voice of hope. He took great confidence from God's presence in his life. This then is a time for each of us to acknowledge God's gentle presence in our lives. It is a time to pause for a moment in prayer and like Patrick, not to be afraid to ask God for guidance, direction and an abundance of blessings.



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ART & CRAFTS WITH OLHA AT BALTINGLASS LIBRARY

Friday 22nd March: Acrylic Painting at 3pm

Saturday 23rd March: Quilling at 11am

This is a free event and for adults.

Please book at the library 059 648 2300

or baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie

IRISH EMIGRANTS

Today we remember in a special way and pray for all Irish emigrants, particularly those who have left our communities and might be struggling. We think particularly of isolated, elderly Irish abroad, the undocumented, Irish prisoners overseas and those dealing with addiction and mental health problems. A special Emigrant Collection is being held in for those who might wish to contribute. Collection box in the church porch or leave donation into the parish office.

VACANCY

St Patrick's Missionary Society, Kiltegan require relief Catering/Dining Room Assistant to prepare and cook food, ensure a high standard of cleaning is maintained in the Dining Room and Kitchen; prepare the service area and other equipment as requested. The person will work flexibly within the team and will be expected to use initiative and to work to high standards. Experience of working in a similar environment is desirable but not essential as full training will be provided. If you are interested in applying for this post, please submit a cv into Dearbhail McKee, hrmanager@spms.ie before the 25th March

STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

06, 09, 11, 30

No Jackpot Winner



5 Match 3 Winners - €40 each
Pauline Curry, John Kenny, Fergal Kelly,
Darina Redmond, Aine Seagrave
Sellers Prize: M. Moore

This week's Jackpot: €10,800

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

08, 10, 13, 27

No Jackpot Winner



5 Match 3 Winners - Share €300
Kevin Murphy, Catherine O'Brien,
Billy Norton, Maureen Plant, Ken Kiernan

This week's Jackpot: €11,600



DAFFODIL DAY IN AID OF THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY

Will be held in Baltinglass and surrounding areas on Friday 22nd March from 8am. Merchandise will be on sale at different locations in the town. Anyone wishing to help are welcome. Please come to the Main Stall at McAlister Monument or leave your name and number in Patterson's Butchers, Main Street. Donations of fresh daffodils would be very much appreciated. You can leave them at the Main Street Stall or in Patterson's on Thursday 21st March.
Emma Hayden, Area Organiser

WEST WICKLOW DAY CARE COMMITTEE

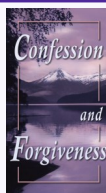
Thank You most sincerely to all who donated clothes to our recent collections and made it such a wonderful success.



FAMILY MASS 11am Sunday 24th PALM SUNDAY



Mass will begin with the blessing of palms in the church grounds. We encourage people to gather outside and be part of our procession as we commemorate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.



PREPARING FOR HOLY WEEK

The celebration of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is encouraged during the season of Lent in preparation for the liturgies of Holy Week when we commemorate the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. On **Tuesday (26th) at 7.30pm in Baltinglass Church** we will have a Service during which people will have the opportunity to individually receive absolution for their sins. Service in Rathvilly on Wednesday 27th at 7.30pm.

WASHING OF FEET

On Holy Thursday we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper when Jesus instituted the Eucharist and washed the feet of his disciples. If you would be willing to participate in the washing of feet during Mass on Holy Thursday please contact the Parish Office, Fr. Ger or Parish Office.



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 info visit www.familycarers.ie

CHRISM MASS



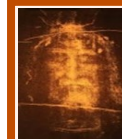
Bishop Denis invites you to join him for the celebration of the Chrism Mass. It will take place in the Cathedral of the Assumption in Carlow on Monday, 25 March at 7:30 pm. At this diocesan Mass, the holy oils are blessed and consecrated for use in parishes in the coming year and the priests of the diocese renew their priestly promises. The diocesan choir will lead us in singing, for the first time, the newly composed Mass of St Brigid by Fr Liam Lawton.

LITURGIES

Holy Thursday: 7.30pm
Good Friday: 3pm
Stations of the Cross 6pm
Holy Saturday: 8.30pm

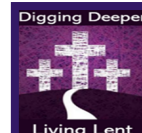


Good Friday National Holy Face Public Prayer Vigil St. Joseph's Church Grounds



Human Life (Ire.) are holding over 100 public prayer vigils in each county in Ireland, at 12noon - 1pm on Good Friday 29th, to make reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus, and for the protection of life, faith and family in Ireland.

"Everyone who acknowledges me publicly here on earth, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven." Mt 10:32.
Phone087 4112136 for details



LENTEN SCRIPTURE SHARING
Weekly reflections on the Sunday Mass readings are available on kandle.ie.

National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock

Calling ALL ADORERS of the Blessed Sacrament in the Kildare & Leighlin Diocese for the National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 14th April 2024. Please ring 086 1637311 (Barbara Kinsella) to enquire or book a seat. Full bus details on www.eucharisticadoration.ie.