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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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WE REMEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES
 Margaret Cullen, 9 Parkmore &
 her husband Thomas & daughter Kathleen
 Patricia McDermott, Parkmore
 Eugene & Rita Dunne, Belan Street
 Ellen Humphries, Dunlavin
 Thomas Furlong, Woodfield
 Tony Donoghue, Moone

Rest in Peace

Stratford: 9.30am
 Bill & Brigid Byrne, Doctor's Road, Stratford

SUNDAY MASSES

	GRANGECON	STRATFORD
May:	12/26	19
June:	2/16/30	9/23

 'Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.'

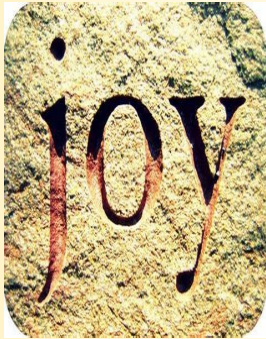
 **CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM IN OUR PARISH**
 Baptism takes place on the second Sunday of every month.
 All arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least three weeks prior to date of baptism. Members of our Baptism Preparation Team will host a meeting of parents to prepare for the ceremony.

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD
PARISH NEWSLETTER
 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 5TH MAY 2024


That my own joy may be in you....

We search for joy and love in life:
 in our emptiness and our yearnings,
 our hurts and our griefs,
 our loneliness and our boredom,
 we want joy,
 and we want to be loved.


And in friendships and loves,
 in the moments of peace and harmony
 among family and with friends,
 there are glimpses of joy and of love,
 and we know that the human heart
 is made for joy and love that is everlasting.



Let's be thankful:
 for the joy and love of life,
 for the joy and love of children,
 of husbands, wives and family;
 For the joy and love of friends,
 of neighbours and of colleagues,
 and for the joy and love
 we shared with those who have gone before us.



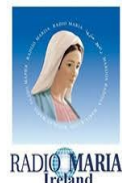
And let's be hopeful
 in times where all this is missing,
 that it is not missing forever.
 When love is hurt or joy is muddled,
 let's be hopeful that we will find such joy again;
 and let even the ache for joy and love
 remind us of love and joy that lasts forever:
 the love and joy of God.



[Donal Neary SJ]

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STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers
03, 22, 26, 29
No Jackpot Winner



1 Match 3 Winner - €200
Eimear Fanning

Sellers Prize: C. Bolland

This week's Jackpot: €12,900

VARIETY CONCERT

with a host of artists
in St. Joseph's Church
on Friday 24th May at 8pm.
In aid of Church refurbishment
and the Lalor Centre.
Tickets €10



First Communion

Stratford: Saturday 11th May
Baltinglass/Bigstone: Saturday 18th May



Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Bishop Nulty invites you to join with him & parishioners from across the diocese on

Sunday 2nd June

BUS FROM BALTINGLASS

Contact Duffy Coach Hire

0872543235 / 059 6471681 FARE: €30

Information from Parish Office.

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers
02, 11, 25, 27
No Jackpot Winner



3 Match 3 Winners €100 each
Paula Faulkner, Maggie & Catriona
& Ciaran Murphy

This week's Jackpot: €13,000



PIETA - DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

(Sponsored by Electric Ireland)

Sign up now. Darknessintolight.ie

4.15am on May 11th at Scoil Chonglais.



Mondays at 8pm in Fatima Hall

Thanks to everyone for their support.

*However, more support is needed
if the bingo is to continue.*

CARLOW MEDITATION GROUP

Monday from 7 to 7:45 pm in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow.
Meditation, the universal practice of silent contemplation, can awaken the heart, deepen our spiritual sensitivity and promote our wellbeing. After a short reflection on an aspect of meditation, Marian Gaynor's singing bowls lead us into silence.
No need to book – just turn up on any Monday evening!
(Noel Keating, 087 2251183)

THE ANNUAL COUNTRY MUSIC SHOW

In aid of Baltinglass Hospital Patient Comfort Fund on Sunday 5th May 2pm in the Glen Lounge, Castleruddery.

Artists performing at the show this year are "The Michelle Murphy Band" from Wexford; Aistair Fingleton from Castledermot (who appeared on the Glór Tíre TV show on TG4) and Tommy B, Grangecon.

Dancing: 2 to 6.30pm. Admission €10.
Monster Raffle on the day.



BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Afternoon Tea Dance
Wednesday 8th May

at 3pm in Inis Fail, Baltinglass

Funded by Creative Places, this celebration of creativity in aging, features music by local Black Knights Band.

Coffee Mornings in May
Golf Club Fridays 11am

MARCH FOR LIFE IRELAND 2024

Shining a spotlight on Ireland's abortion law & calling for positive supports for mothers.
Bank Holiday Monday, 6th May 2pm
Marching in Dublin from St. Stephen's Green to Leinster House.
Join us in advocating for change, unity, and empowerment for mothers and their babies.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SUPERVISOR REQUIRED FOR WICKLOW MID WEST CE CLG

Full Time Position (based in Stratford on Slaney and covering surrounding areas).

Full Driver's licence is required.

The successful candidate will start on Pt 1 of the supervisory scale.

Applications including CV and Cover Letter posted to Blessington CE Scheme, Unit 8, Newtown Square, Blessington or by email to

blesanddistce@gmail.com

For full job specification email

blesanddistce@gmail.com

Closing date for applications is 29 May 2024. Shortlisting may apply.

BALTINGLASS LIBRARY

Tuesday 7th May: 3.30- 4.30pm

Paper Craft for 5-7 year olds (Parent/Carer must remain in the Library)

Friday 10th May: 3pm - 5pm

Crafting with Olha - Water Colours for Adults

Saturday 11th May: 11am -1pm.

Crafting with Olha - Acrylics for Adults

Tuesday 14th May: 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Wool Craft for 8-12 year olds (Parent/Carer must remain in the Library)

All are free events. Booking is essential for all at the library— 059 648 2300 or baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Please return your box if you have not already done so by next weekend.