Priests: Fr. John Heinhold, Fr. Lawrence Kurgat and Fr. Vincent Agunbiade : 059 6482768

Priest on duty: 085 831 4793

Parish Office: 059 64 81 254. Email: admin@baltinglassparish.ie

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona Kavanagh, Anne Leigh, Martina Kennedy

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP): Aisling Higgins 085 8021633



MASSES

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



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
ST. PAUL'S ORATORY
WEDNESDAYS 7.30-8.30PM
Spend an hour in quiet
reflection before Jesus present
in the Blessed Sacrament.

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

CONFESSIONS

Will take place every Saturday morning in St. Paul's Oratory in the Parish Centre from 10am - 10.30am.

OR by appointment by phoning the Priest on duty at 085 831 4793.

SUNDAY MASSES

JUNE 08/22 15/29
JULY 06/20 13/27

WE REMEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES

Donal McDonnell, Coolinarrig
Catherine (Kitty) Farrell
Peadar, Gerry & Pat Farrell
Maureen Coffey & her husband Patrick & her
Son Padraig & deceased members of the
Coffey & O'Shea Families, Baltinglass & Kerry
Matt Owens, Parkmore
Tommy O'Connor, Irongrange
Anthony Donoghue, Moone

GRANGECON (Sun) 9.30AM

Laurence, Margaret & Deirdre Dunne, Knockrigg Johnny Sleator, Knockrigg Ann Nolan, Moneymore

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS 10AM IN ST PAUL'S ORATORY

Tuesday: Donor's Intention **Wednesday:** Sr Mary Dempsey

Thursday:

Friday: Donor's Intention



WEEKEND COLLECTIONS - 24TH & 25TH MAY

Offertory: €685.00

Development €1,235.00

Many thanks to all who contributed.



BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8TH JUNE 2025

Pentecost Sunday

"The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children, we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory"

Brothers and Sisters today we celebrate the great day of Pentecost when Christ filled the Church with the power of his Spirit and sent it into the world to bring his peace, joy and forgiveness to all people. This Spirit is the new law, the power that leads humanity to do good, and this from within the heart. The Spirit is the source of unity for it pulls down all the barriers, and wherever it establishes itself, it destroys sin. The mission of Christ today continues because of the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. The church struggles to live the language of the Spirit. The diverse gifts within the community, existing for the good of the community, is as a result of the one dynamic Spirit. The spirit which fired the apostles and enthused Paul is the same Spirit which fires and enthuses each of us today. It does that in our own mundane attempts to work at forgiveness, love and understanding. That is the language of the Spirit. Forgiveness, Love and understanding form a language which everyone understands and needs to hear. That is the language we are invited to speak and the promise is that when we speak it people will recognize it as their own language. They can truly say that we are speaking their own language because it has no boundaries, and no special dictionaries are needed to understand it. It is a call to each and everyone of us to embrace this Spirit today.

MASS CARDS AND WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Now available in the Parish Office are individual Mass Cards covering various occasions such as, With Deepest Sympathy, Mass Bouquet, Get Well Mass Bouquet, May God's Love Comfort, In Loving Memory, With Sympathy, In Loving Memory, A Mass for Your Intentions, these cards are on sale for €1 or €2 depending on the quality of the card. The offerings for each Mass Intention are for a minimum of €10. These cards are signed by one of our local priests and will be offered at our weekday masses in St. Paul's Oratory at 10am and each Mass Intention will be published in our Newsletter the previous weekend.

St. Patrick's Missionary Society Cards for your intentions to be included in their Masses and prayers for one year for €5 will continue to be available in the Parish Office.



CEMETERY MASSES 2024

Rathbran Cemetery
Friday 27th June 7.30pm
Knockpatrick Cemetery
Friday 4th July 7.30pm
Baltinglass Cemetery
Sunday 3rd August 3pm
Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery
Friday 15th August 11am

RETIRED PRIESTS COLLECTION

Thanks to everyone who donated to the recent Retired Priests Collection. Your support was greatly appreciated.

STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 02, 10, 16, 30 No Jackpot Winner



1 Match 3 Winner - €200 - Dermot Moore Seller's Prize: Maurice Mangan This week's Jackpot: €15,900

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 04, 06, 22, 29 No Jackpot Winner



5 Match 3 Winners - Share €300 Derek Patterson, Raymond Danne, John Kelly, Sarah Gunning, Sheila Ryan This week's Jackpot: €11,800

ON BEHALF OF DOGS FOR THE DISABLED

I would sincerely like to thank everyone who supported the session in Lawlor's Pub, Rathvilly on Friday 30th May. Thanks to all the talented musicians and singers who provided a remarkable night's entertainment. Special thanks to Cathy and James and sincere appreciation to Richard Willoughby who was M.C. and provided the sound system. Thanks to the local businesses who provided some of the raffle prizes which raised €735 which will help towards the renovation costs of a new DFD Training Facility in Cork. If you would like to donate directly to DFD, please use their link on their website: dogsfordisabled.ie Thank you, Colette and her Deputy Jasper.

DAFFODIL DAY 2025

On behalf of The Irish Cancer Society, I wish to acknowledge a cheque for €15,920 - The Lalor Centre €258, Patients and Staff at Baltinglass Community Hospital €583 and €15,079 from Daffodil Day. Thanks to all the Volunteers, Active Retirement, Lalor Centre, Mens Shed etc. To the community of Baltinglass and surrounding areas, who support us so generously every year and for the beautiful fresh Daffodils donated to us. Sincere thanks, Emma Hayden On behalf of the Irish Cancer Society.



PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Wednesday 27th Aug to 3rd Sept. 2025

Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board. Cost: €865

For information contact: Parish Office 059 64 81 254,

Fr. Ger 087 629 8881.



FREE EVENTS AT BALTINGLASS LIBRARY

Tuesday 10th June: 6.30pm - 8pm. **Conversational English:** New volunteers and learners welcome, to chat with adult English learners in a friendly, informal setting.

Saturday 14th June: 10.45am - 12.30pm. Creative Writing Group - All Welcome.

Contact Library on 059 648 2300 or baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie

ST PATRICK'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

have a part time vacancy for a Cook who will assist in the preparation, cooking, presenting, and serving of meals to the members resident in Kiltegan. The ideal candidate must have experience of working in a busy kitchen. This is a 30 hour week specified purpose contract offering competitive terms and condition of employment. For more details about the position please contact Dearbhail McKee on 0596484434 or by email hrmanager@spms.ie.

SICK CALLS

If you have anyone that's sick or housebound and you would like a priest to visit please contact the Parish Office.

REMINDER

West Wicklow Day Care Centre Annual Street Collection will take place on Friday 20th June to Sunday 22nd June. Your support would be appreciated.

JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE

During the 18th and 19th Century in the time of persecution and the penal laws, the Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin resided in Allen Parish. People attended Mass at the Priests Corner Mass Rock in Ballyteague. As part of the Jubilee year - Pilgrims of Hope - Bishop Denis Nulty will celebrate Mass at the Priests Corner Mass Rock in Ballyteague on Sunday 15th June at 2pm. For those who wish to walk the 2.5kms in pilgrimage, please assemble at 12.30pm at the GAA clubhouse in Ballyteague W91 VEW8. For those who do not wish to walk, car parking will be available beside the Mass Rock which will be signposted on the day.

"Parishes Alive - Moving Forward in Hope!"

Bishop Denis, together with the Diocesan Pastoral Council, will host a day for lay people and clergy to explore the direction of the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin and how it impacts on the day-to-day life of a parish. We are building on the work done previously by the DPC, the Council of Priests, Faith Development Services, and across parishes. The day will comprise inputs from guest speakers, along with prayer, general discussion, and intentional listening. The keynote speaker will be Prof. Fr Michael Conway, Professor of Faith & Culture at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. It takes place on Saturday, 21st June 2025 in Carlow College with registration at 9:30am, starting promptly at 10am and concluding at 4 pm. Lunch is included. Booking essential by email to parishdevelopment@Kandle.ie, providing your name and parish, or by phoning 083-

8305681.