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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



ST. PAUL'S ORATION
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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

#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

 GRANGECON
 STRATFORD

 JULY
 06/20
 13/27

 AUGUST
 03/17/31
 10/24

 SEPTEMBER
 14/28
 07/21

#### **WEEKEND COLLECTIONS - 28TH & 29TH JUNE**

Offertory: €595.00 Development: €1385.00

Many thanks to all who contributed.

#### **WE REMEMBER**

#### **RECENT DEATH**

Cecilia O'Connor (née Lawler), Irongrange Mary Connors (née Humphries), Shroughaun

#### **MONTHS MIND**

Elizabeth Kavanagh, Broughillstown, Rathvilly

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Neville Fisher, Clough
Pearl Cleary, Shroughaun
Patrick O'Reilly, Bramble court, Baltinglass
Anthony Frahill, Tinoran
Margaret & Noel Frahill, Curragh Camp
Des Doyle, Parkmore
James Moore, Coolinarrig
Bridget O'Hara, Raheen
Marcella Murray, Main Street
John Walsh, Oldtown & deceased members of

the Walsh Family
Bill Cullen, Rathbran
Michael & Sheila McEvoy, Athy
Julia Smyth, Ballyraggan
Mary Kehoe, Main Street
Patrick (Pat) Fitzgerald, 47 Parkmore
Tom Fitzgerald, Main Street, Baltinglass
Anthony McDonagh, Mill Street

# GRANGECON (Sun) 9.30AM MONTHS MIND

Kitty Hamill, Knoxers's Hill, Grangecon

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Ita Germaine Mills, Bessina & Perth Annie Harte, Barronstown

# WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS 10AM IN ST PAUL'S ORATORY

Tuesday: Donor's Intentions
Wednesday: Donor's Intentions
Thursday: Mary Connors
Friday: Denis Merrigan



# **Christ Our peace**

As Christians, our understanding of peace ought to be multifaceted, encompassing more than just absence of war. It is deeply rooted in biblical revelation, centered on the person of Jesus Christ, and involves both a divine gift and human task.

Today, each and every one of us is invited to be an instrument of peace in the world where lack of peace has become the order of the day. Christ, as our teacher, leads in this mission when he calls on the people of Jerusalem to rejoice and be glad for soon, God was going to put an end to their suffering and sent peace flowing like a river.

As disciples of Christ, every day at the end of mass we are reminded 'to go in peace'. This is a call and invited not to only go in peace but also 'go and spread' that peace to others. The peace of Christ which we celebrate today should leave its mark on us so that we become messengers of peace all around us. The quality of a Christian's life is a powerful form of witness. Living out the Gospel message is crucial in sharing the faith. Approaching others with humility and love, rather than with jealousy or envy, allows one to see the goodness in others and to rejoice in it.

Finally, peace is precious and golden. Like joy, it is contagious. If we have peace, it must affect others positively. Therefore, like Francis of Assisi, we should always pray: "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy."

#### 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 2025**

**Baltinglass Cemetery** Sunday 3rd August 3pm **Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery** Friday 15th August 11am

#### **UPKEEP OF CEMETERY**

People are encouraged to tend to their graves in preparation for these Masses. We appreciate the work of CE participants. It is important that everyone makes an effort at having the cemetery looking good and respectful of our deceased.

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#### STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



**Winning Numbers** 02, 05, 17, 25

No Jackpot Winner

3 Match 3 Winners - €70 Each Kerry Dunbar, Pauline Faulkner, **Biddy Curran** 

Seller's Prize: Shay Barrett This week's Jackpot: €17,300

#### **BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO**



ASSOCIATION

**Winning Numbers** 12, 16, 22, 25 No Jackpot Winner



2 Match 3 Winners - €150 each

Dan Kelly, Michael Moore This week's Jackpot: €12,600

#### **BLOOD DONATION CLINIC**

VENUE: Scoil Naomh Iosaf, Baltinglass

DATE: Sunday 6th July 2025 TIME: 12noon to 3.30pm.

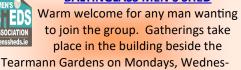
Check your eligibility & book your appointment at giveblood.ie or call us on 1800 222 111 Your support would be gratefully appreciated!

giveblood.ie

#### **BALTINGLASS LIBRARY**

Saturday 12th July 10.45am - 12.30pm. Creative Writing Group - All Welcome. Contact the Library on 059 648 2300 or baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie

### **BALTINGLASS MEN'S SHED**



#### KIDS ALOUD AGM

days and Fridays from 10am to 12noon.

On 8th July at 8pm at 16 Parkmore, Baltinglass. All are welcome



# 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.



#### COLUMBAN DAY CELEBRATIONS

All paths lead to Carlow this July when the town hosts the XXVI Columbanus Day celebration from 11th July to 13th July 2025. This significant occasion honours St Columbanus, one of Ireland's most influential early missionaries, recognised for his contributions to the spiritual and cultural foundation of Europe. St Columbanus, patron saint of the Missionary Society of St Columban, was born in Myshall. The three-day event promises a rich blend of cultural, spiritual and communal experiences. Highlights include the launch of the exhibition 'Ireland and the Birth of Europe,' a symposium exploring the relationship between creation and spirituality given by Columban missionary Fr Sean McDonagh, and a walk along the picturesque Columban Way. Visitors can also look forward to engaging talks, such as 'Columbanus, the Man from Myshall,' by former President Dr Mary McAleese, taking place in the Holy Cross Church in Myshall. The celebrations culminate with the XXVI Columbanus Day Mass at the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Sunday 13th July. We very much look forward to hosting the International Columbanus Weekend, when pilgrims from all over Europe will gather here in our diocese to honour this great Saint. Full programme details and booking links on www.kandle.ie

#### **Praise Resounds Concert**

A gathering of reflection, music and song, celebrating the legacy of Saint Columbanus, Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July @ 8 pm in the Cathedral of the Assumption, College Street, Carlow.

#### 24 HOUR SILENT VIGIL FOR GAZA

From 12 noon Saturday 19th July to 12 noon Sunday 20th July at Clane Church Plaza space. Prayer, silence and reflection in solidarity with the people of Gaza. More details from our Suaimhneas Centre, Clane.

# TO THE PARISH FOR A MISSION APPEAL They will speak at Masses in the Parish next

weekend, the 12th and 13th July. Your generosity would be gratefully appreciated.

WE WELCOME THE FRANCISCAN BROTHERS

# **CONFESSIONS**

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

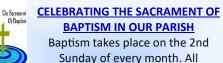
> **OR** by appointment by phoning the Priest on duty at 085 831 4793.

### **SICK CALLS**

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

#### VISIT BALTINGLASS PARISH WEBSITE

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



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.