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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 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

SUNDAY MASSES

GRANGECON STRATFORD

OCTOBER: 26 19 NOVEMBER: 09/23 02/16/30 DECEMBER 07/21 14/28

WE REMEMBER

RECENT DEATH

John Norton, Dunlavin & Grangecon

MONTHS MIND

Jim Kenny, Belan Street, Baltinglass Michael (Mick) Doody, Tinoran Hill North

ANNIVERSARIES

Fintan Kavanagh, Carrigeen
Peggy Shortt, Mill Street, Baltinglass
Rory Farrell, Rathmoon
Thomas O'Brien, Carrigeen
John O'Neill, 49 Parkmore
Margaret O'Connnor, 7 Parkmore
Vincent, Rosemarie & their Son Charlie &
Aunty Florrie Eivers, Trim
Patrick & Mary Donegan, Holdenstown
William Wall, Parkmore
Jim Farrell, Clough

STRATFORD

Jim Coleman, Stratford & Manchester Kevin Moore, Stratford Patricia & Michael Allen, Arklow Paddy McDonald, Gibraltar

Michael O'Keeffe, Randalstown



WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

Offertory: €705.00

Development: €1245.00

Many thanks to all who contributed.



BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19TH OCTOBER 2025



World Mission Sunday 2025

Theme: "Missionaries of Hope Among all Peoples"

World Mission Sunday is the Pope's yearly appeal for everyone to help support overseas missionaries, both spiritually and financially. It is held on the second last Sunday in October each year. Like the Good Friday collection for the Holy Land and Peter's Pence, it is one of three important universal collections in the Church.

This collection happens in every parish where the Church exists - not just in Ireland and Europe, but also in poorer communities in developing countries. On this day, Catholics around the world come together to support one another, making it a truly special celebration of unity and solidarity.

In Ireland, Missio Ireland organises World Mission Sunday. They are part of a worldwide network that helps the Church in more than 120 countries. Missio Ireland's goal is to help everyone understand and answer the call to mission, reminding us that we are all missionary disciples. They value all cultures and traditions, treating everyone as brothers and sisters under one loving God.

Thanks to your generosity, Missio Ireland can support missionaries working in some of the world's poorest places, helping them through their many challenges and hardships.

In our own parish of Baltinglass, we have three members of St. Patrick's Missionary Society. Each has served in South Sudan and on other missions. We hope to build a strong link between our missionary calling and our work here in Baltinglass.

Written before his death Pope Francis, in his message for this year's World Mission Sunday, encouraged us by saying: "May we too feel inspired to set out in the footsteps of the Lord Jesus to become, with him and in him, signs and messengers of hope for all, in every place and circumstance that God has granted us to live. May all the baptised, as missionary disciples of Christ, make his hope shine forth in every corner of the earth!"

Mission Envelopes are in your Box of Envelopes or Envelopes are available at the back of the Church 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.



MASS READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We would like to add to our current list of readers and Eucharistic

Ministers in the Parish. Please take time to give this invitation some thought.

If you decide to volunteer please contact the Parish Office or any of the Priests.

VISIT BALTINGLASS PARISH WEBSITE

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

HOSPITALITY MORNING

Join us for a Cuppa in The Parish Centre **Every Tuesday morning after 10am Mass** in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.



STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 16, 20, 24, 29



No Jackpot Winner 1 Match 3 Winner - €200.

Dee Doyle

Seller's Prize: The Glen Lounge This week's Jackpot: €20,000.

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 02, 09, 16, 17 No Jackpot Winner



3 Match 3 Winners - Share €300 Brigid Campion, Madge Tyrell, Denis Walsh This week's Jackpot: €5,200.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2026

CONFIRMATION

Sunday 19th April
St. Joseph's Church, Baltinglass
Baltinglass /Bigstone 12.30pm.
Stratford /Grangecon 2.30pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Stratford: Saturday 16th May
Baltinglass/Bigstone: Saturday 23rd May

TOP TEN WAYS TO HELP POLLINATORS

Be careful with wildflower seed mixes

Sowing wildflower seed mixes can be detrimental to local biodiversity. Many wildflower seed mixes contain non-native species, and can inadvertently introduce invasive species. Please avoid using them where possible.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/



EVERY MONDAY IN FATIMA HALL 8PM

FREE EVENTS AT BALTINGLASS LIBRARY

Tuesday 21st October: 3.30pm - 4.30pm Halloween Storytime and Crafting With Olha for children (ages 6-10) Limited Spaces. Booking Essential.

baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie

FREE CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH CLASSES

Are you interested in learning English? Increase your confidence when speaking.

All levels are welcome to attend.
Beginners, Intermediate, Advanced
Practical Lessons, Small group classes
Meet new people in your community

VENUE: Baltinglass Parish Centre - W91 TVO8
WHEN: Every Thursday morning (except
during school holidays) from 11am - 1pm.
Tea & Coffee available. For more information
please contact CWP Office on 0402 20955.
Ann Byrne - 085 800 6873 or
email agbyrne@wicklowpartnership.ie

ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY

On Friday October 31st from 6pm at the weir in Baltinglass. Followed by a kiddies disco with D.J Paul in Inisfail. All donations will be donated to Temple Street Hospital.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

November 7th-9th Venue "Focolare" Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. visit www.marriageencounter.ie

ALTAR SERVERS

We are hoping to re-introduce
Altar Servers at all Masses in the Parish.
Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in participating in this special Ministry.



SICK CALLS

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

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

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BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Tickets still available for the National Concert Hall for Saturday 15th November at 2.30pm to see the musical My Fair Lady, performed by the Rathmines & Rathgar Music Society. Tickets €42. Coach Fee extra. For details Ph. Mary on 087-299-9571.

COFFEE MORNINGS: for October will be held in the Golf Club each Friday at 11am. ACTIVITIES: Bowling in Fatima Hall on Tuesdays from 3pm. New bowlers welcome.

BRIDGE: meet on Wednesdays 10.30am – 12md in the Parish Centre.

The next monthly members meeting will take place on Wednesday 29th October in Germaines. New members welcome.