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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



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

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

Offertory: €970. Development: €1915. Many thanks to all who contributed.

SUNDAY MASSES

GRANGECON STRATFORD

NOVEMBER: 23 16/30 DECEMBER 07/21 14/28

WE REMEMBER

RECENT DEATH

Teresa O'Keeffe, Parkmore Desmond Patrick Joseph Doyle, Tankardstown Ellen Lennon, Baltinglass & UK

MONTHS MIND

Nancy McLoughlin (nee Doyle), Parkmore Leon O'Keeffe, Wine Tavern Manor, Stratford

ANNIVERSARIES: SUNDAY 11AM

Rita & Jimmy Germaine, Parkmore
Frank Balfe Snr, Terenure, Dublin
Billy & Ann Leigh, Bawnogues
Thomas O'Hara, Rampere
Jim McKeever, Lathaleere
Mary Doyle, Parkmore
Thomas & Cristine Byrne, Shroughaun & England
David Hallahan "Sliabh gcua", Baltinglass
Michael Twyford, Rathmoon
Margaret O'Reilly, Carrigeen
Betty Quirke, Beech Avenue, Parkmore
Patrick McGrath, Carrigeen
Bridie Doherty, Carrigeen
Mary & Pauric Naughton, Spiddal
Seamus Conneelly, Furbo, Galway

STRATFORD: 9.30AM

John Barrett, Manger
Jack Barrett
Bill Byrne
Pat & Alice Keogh
Annie Kinsella
Rita Fluskey, Stratford
Bridget Fluskey, Ballinacrow
Hugh & Maureen O'Keeffe, Gibraltar





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PARISH NEWSLETTER

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th NOVEMBER 2025

Reflection for Newsletter

This Sunday's liturgy is filled with hope for a new beginning for humankind. Malachi envisioned a complete transformation of reality through the utter destruction of the roots and effects of evil and the restoration of the righteous by God's healing light. Paul told the Thessalonians that the only acceptable manner of waiting for Jesus' return is that of honest and self-sustaining work in a community of like-minded individuals. Jesus made no secret of the chaos, conflict, isolation and persecution that awaits his followers on this earth. However, Jesus also taught them that patient endurance, combined with attachment to himself, will lead to the salvation of their bodies and souls when he returns with the dawn of a new world. The Psalmist wrote about the wait for this dawn with joyful assurance and anticipation as he stated, "let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth."

There is hope for a new beginning for all those who cherish the life of God in them. Our mortal beings will be transformed into immortality. The darkness of an unavoidable death bed can never hold back the dawn of the new day that awaits those who live out their faith in God to the full.

Living out our faith calls for patient endurance. It is a form of our waiting that determines our long-term future. When our waiting is full of hope, committed work and love, then we rest assured that soon and very soon, bright new dawn will come over us, ending the darkness of the grave.

HOSPITALITY MORNING

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



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ALTAR SERVERS

We welcome our new Altar Servers in Baltinglass this weekend and hopefully we will be adding more in the future.

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.

IN NOVEMBER WE REMEMBER

Follow the diocesan X (@KANDLEi) and Facebook (KANDLEi) pages to receive daily posts for the month of November, with posts on the Christian understanding of death and prayers to accompany you in this month when we especially remember and pray for our dead.

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STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 10, 17, 26, 29 No Jackpot Winner



2 Match 3 Winners - €100 each Eimear Fanning, Margaret Coogan

Seller's Prize: Shirley O'Neill This week's Jackpot: €20,000

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 06, 11, 20 25



No Jackpot Winner

3 Match 3 Winners - Share €100 each Brede Lennon, Marie O'Connor, Eddie Whelan

BALTINGLASS SINGS CHRISTMAS CONCERT WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

In memory of Phyllis Flanagan
Friday 12th December at 8pm
in St. Joseph Church, Baltinglass.
Tickets €10 (children U 12 free).
A limited number of tickets are available
from Baltinglass Parish Office.

WEST WICKLOW HISTORICAL SOCIETY

will launch its thirteenth journal (Edited by Chris Lalor and Declan Keenan) on Thursday, November 20th at 8pm in the Hollywood Inn. Feargal Ó hÉidhneacháin, recent winner of the Colm Lennon award from Maynooth University, will launch the journal. It will feature articles from local contributors such as Liam Kenny on the 100th anniversary of the Irish military taking over the Glen from the British Army in 1825. Mairead Kelly will give a sociological interpretation of the Hillforts. Richard Lennon will talk about two early 20th century poets with Baltinglass connections. Following the passing away of two honorary members of the Historical Society, tributes are included in the journal to PJ Hanlon and Phyllis Flanagan. You are invited to join WWHS for refreshments and a preview of the Journal (available to purchase for €15) before they are distributed locally, or available to buy online.



EVERY MONDAY IN FATIMA HALL 8PM

MICHAEL ENGLISH IN ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, RATHVILLY. CHRISTMAS CONCERT SERIES

On Friday November 28th at 8pm.

Doors open at 6pm. Tickets €30

and available at Brennans' Centre or scan the posters for online ticket sales.

In association with The School House Commu-

MADUNKEY'S RESTAURANT AT BALTINGLASS GOLF CLUB

nity & Enterprise Centre. Tickets €30

New Friday and Saturday dinner service and a relaxed Sunday lunch starting this month. Under the new hours: Wed: 10am–4pm; Thu & Fri: 11am–3pm (Dinner Fri from 5pm); Sat: 9am–5pm (Dinner from 5pm); Sun: Sunday Lunch 10am–4pm. Owner John Fitzpatrick says the update focuses on "quality time, great food, and good company." Madunkey's will launch its Christmas Party Season on November 15th, perfect for festive gatherings with family, friends, or colleagues. For bookings, call 085 1249678. Madunkey's thanks all its loyal guests and looks forward to welcoming everyone soon!

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT CONCERT IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH AGHOLD

on Sunday 14th December at 7pm
R93 HR90. "Enjoy an enchanting evening of beautiful music and song, surrounded by the soft glow of candlelight, accompanied by a glass of seasonal mulled wine and a warm mince pie." Proceeds going towards the Church. Tickets available from Eric Driver 0972776282.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

will hold their Annual Collection at all Masses on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th December. All proceeds raised go to assist those in need in the area. Any support would be Gratefully appreciated.

OVERNIGHT VIGIL IN KNOCK.

Anyone interested in attending the Vigil in Knock on Sunday 7th December please contact Duffy Coach Hire on 059 647 1681 or 087 254 3235.

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP DENIS RE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SURVEY ON SCHOOL PATRONAGE

The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland. It is important that those who wish for a change in patronage would have their voice heard. It is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic Education for their children and for those who would wish for sacramental preparation within school would have their voice heard also. For those reasons and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, please participate in this survey if you are a parent or a prospective parent of a primary school student. The survey can be accessed at https://www.gov.ie/en/department-ofeducation/campaigns/primary-schoolsurvey/ The survey closes on 16th December 2025.

SICK CALLS

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