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



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



### ALTAR SERVERS

If you would like to be an  
Altar Server please contact  
the Parish Office

### NEWSLETTER

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### PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Mon. Wed & Fri. 9.30am - 1.00pm  
Tues. & Thurs. 9.30am - 1.00pm  
& 1.30pm - 2.30pm

*Rest in  
Peace*

### WE REMEMBER

#### MONTHS MIND

Seamus O'Brien, Carrigeen

Jim Shortt, Tuckmill

#### ANNIVERSARIES: SUNDAY 11AM

Denise Kerley, Graney

Dylan Keogh, Clough

Jack & Elish Kilcoyne & deceased members of the  
Kilcoyne Family, Mill Street

Johnny & Sheila Phelan, Stratford on Slnaey

Esther Curry, Parkmore

William (Bill) Lawlor, Bawnogues

Catherine Walsh, Carrigeen

Tommie Dooley, Chapel Hill

William Sutton, Belan Street

Declan Howe, Newbridge

John Foley, Carrigeen

Michael & Sarah O'Keeffe, Randalstown

Mick Sinnott, Shroughaun

Jim Barrett, Shroughaun

Thomas Donegan, Kilmurry

Seán & Eileen Kearney, Tinoran & England

#### STRATFORD : SUNDAY 9.30AM.

#### RECENT DEATH

Martin Keane, Loughrea

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

Francis McCabe, Stratford

Sheila McCabe, Brewel

Lilly Tivenan, Crumlin

James Coleman, Stratford

Betty Keane, Ballinatone

Colette Byrne, Golden Fort

#### WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

#### ST. PAUL'S ORATORY 10AM

Wednesday 28th Jan: Donor's Intentions



BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

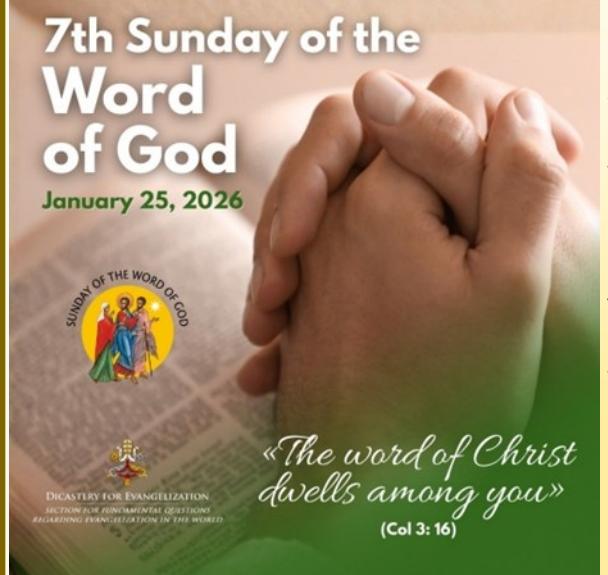
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

25TH JANUARY 2026

### SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

In 2019, Pope Francis made the third Sunday of Ordinary Time a special day to remind

Christians of how important the Bible is in their lives. He said that having a Sunday dedicated to the word of God helps the Church discover again how Jesus shares the treasures of his teachings with us and allows us to share their deep meaning with everyone.



helping us be genuine followers of Jesus. The Word of Christ helps unite and strengthen Christian communities.

It is important for every Christian and community to remember how vital the Word of God is. Listening to it with an open heart is a keyway people encounter God. When we make room for God's Word in our lives, it grows within us like a seed, eventually bringing good results. We are all invited to read God's Word daily and share its message with others.

This year's celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God is especially meaningful because it falls on the same day as the Conversion of Saint Paul (25<sup>th</sup> January), which ends the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. When Jesus spoke to Paul on the road to Damascus, it deeply changed him and made him a great messenger of the Gospel. Now, it is our turn to let the Word of God reach our hearts and allow it to change people's lives by living among us.



### SATURDAY 6PM: (Baltinglass)

Minister of the Word: Jane Keogh  
Eucharistic Ministers: Matt O'Brien  
Theresa McDermott

### SUNDAY 11AM MASS:

Minister of the Word: Máire Lawless  
Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret O'Reilly  
John Connolly

### GRANGECON: 9.30AM:

Minister of the Word: Orla Timmins  
Eucharistic Minister: Gina Carroll

### SUNDAY MASSES 2026

**STRATFORD      GRANGECON**

January:	25
February:	08/22      01/15
March:	08/22      01/15/29
April:	05/19      12/26

### THE IRISH CATHOLIC

Ireland's biggest and best-selling  
religious newspaper!

ON SALE in St. Joseph's Church each weekend.

IF YOU TAKE ONE PLEASE PUT MONEY  
IN THE BOX! PRICE: €3.50.

### CONFESIONS

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.

### VISIT BALTINGLASS PARISH WEBSITE

For Weekly Newsletter, Information, to make a  
donation etc. [www.baltinglassparish.ie](http://www.baltinglassparish.ie)

**STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO**

**Winning Numbers**  
17, 18, 26, 27  
**No Jackpot Winner**  
**3 Match 3 Winners - €70 each**  
Nicola Barrett, Emma Furlong,  
Darina Redmond  
**Sellers Prize:** Ann Marie Murphy  
**This week's Jackpot:** €20,000.

**BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO**

**Winning Numbers**  
17, 20, 25, 26  
**No Jackpot Winner**  
**2 Match 3 Winners - €150 each.**  
Roma Kinsella & Anne Lewis  
**This week's Jackpot:** €20,000.  
Keep an eye on our social medias for updates  
about our upcoming Lip Sync Fundraiser on  
February 28th.

**RADIO MARIA IRELAND**

Saorview - Channel 210  
Stream on [www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie)  
By phone (01) 437 3277  
(no extra charges apply) FREE  
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**ST. BRIGID'S CROSSES**

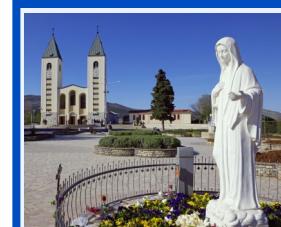
will be available next weekend the  
31st January & 1st February in  
Baltinglass & Grangecon Churches.  
All donations for the crosses will go to  
Baltinglass Community Hospital.

**THE RENOWNED IRISH SINGER  
AND EDUCATOR**

Seán Ó Sé who taught in  
Baltinglass in the late 1950's and early 1960's  
died on January 13th. We express our  
sympathies to all those who knew Seán.

**WEEKEND COLLECTIONS 17TH & 18TH JANUARY**

**Offertory:** €990.   **Dev.** €2,160.  
**Many thanks to all who contributed.**



### MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE 2026

Wednesday 26th August to 2nd September  
Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board. Cost: €895  
Spiritual Director: Fr. Ger Ahern. For more info contact:  
Parish Office 059 6481254 [or 087 629 8881 or 059 9151277]  
**€50 discount if deposit paid before 31st January**

**BINGO**

**EVERY MONDAY IN  
FATIMA HALL 8PM**

**BALTINGLASS LIBRARY EVENTS**

**Tuesday 27th January:** 19.45 - 22.00.  
A 'Baltinglass Film Club' presentation -  
"The last great showing of the 1960's  
wave of British realism"  
Contact Library for film details.  
Booking Essential. Doors close 20.00.  
[baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie)

**BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT  
ACTIVE RETIREMENT**

Our next monthly meeting will take place  
on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 3pm in  
Germaines. **Nominations** for Officers and  
Committee will be requested at this  
meeting, in preparation for the February  
AGM.  
**Annual Registration Fee** will be collected at  
the meeting. It will remain at **€20** for this  
year.

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND**

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland,  
Dates: 20 -22 March 2026, Venue:  
"St Marys" Knock, Co. Mayo. A  
WEEKEND LIKE NO OTHER.  
Online: [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.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.

### NIGHT VIGIL IN HONOUR OF THE FEAST OF ST. BRIGID

will take place in St. Peter & Paul's  
Church, Portlaoise R32 R684 after the 6.30pm  
Mass on Saturday 31st January ending with  
8am Benediction on Sunday 1st February.

### INVITATION TO KILDARE & LEIGHLIN PARISHIONERS BAPTISED AND SENT IN LENT - EXPLORING THE LENTEN SUNDAY GOSPELS

The Diocesan Commission for Liturgical  
Formation and Diocesan Synod Committee  
are inviting you to give one hour a week, for  
five weeks, to join with others to reflect on  
the Sunday Gospel and its links to what it  
means to be baptised, as well as its links to  
some of the pastoral priorities that have  
emerged in synod conversations in our  
diocese and beyond? Would you like to find  
out more about being part of, or even  
running this series locally?

An INFORMATION SESSION will take place in  
Newbridge Parish Centre on Tuesday, 3rd  
February. Tea/coffee available from 7 pm.  
Information session starts promptly at 7:30  
pm- 9 pm. Registration essential through  
[fps@kandle.ie](mailto:fps@kandle.ie) If you would prefer to attend  
via zoom, please email [fps@kandle.ie](mailto:fps@kandle.ie) to  
request a zoom registration link.