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MASSES

St. Paul's Oratory
Mon. - Fri. 10am
St. Joseph's Church
Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am
Available on Webcam



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

SICK CALLS

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

SUNDAY MASSES 2026

STRATFORD		GRANGECON
September	20	27
October:	04/18	11/25
November:	01/15/29	08/22

NEWSLETTER

Articles for the Newsletter must be received by 12 noon on Thursdays.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Mon. Wed. & Fri. 9.30am - 1pm
Tues. & Thurs. 9.30am - 1pm
& 1.30pm - 2.30pm

WE REMEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES: SUNDAY 11AM

James (Jim) Kenny, Belan St.- 1st Anniversary
Elizabeth Nolan, the Wood
Michael (Mick) Doody, Tinoran Hill North
Turlough Quinn, Tuckmill
Phyllis & Patrick Reddan, Tinoran
Mary & Richard Cully & Walsh Family,
Edenderry & deceased members of the Cully
Family, Ballyhaeshil, Rhode
Julie Leigh, Rampere
Bridget & Jim Byrne, Weaver Square
Paddy & Marie O'Shea, Weaver Square

GRANGECON: 9.30AM (SUN)

Jack Byrne, Randalstown
Elizabeth Coleman, Stratford and her
Grandson Richard Wilkie, Manchester



WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

10AM IN ST. PAUL'S ORATORY

Friday 25th September: Donors Intentions

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.

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 20th September 2026

WELCOME TO ALPHA WEEKEND.

At our masses this weekend you will hear about Alpha. Listen carefully it will change your life forever



Alpha

Try Alpha

STARTING: Thursday 1st October 2026

VENUE: Baltinglass Parish Centre

TIME: 7.30pm - 9pm

Is there more to life than this! Have you ever found yourself asking yourself; Why am I here? Does God exist? What's my purpose? Well Alpha may be for you. Come for the first night and you'll stay for the friendship. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring life, faith, and meaning. No pressure, no charge and no follow up. **Just REGISTER.**

Try Alpha Youth

STARTING: Thursday 8th October 2026

VENUE: Baltinglass Parish Centre

TIME: After School 4pm – 5pm

Join a conversation on life, faith & Purpose. Explore the Christian faith, on your terms. Each session unpacks one main topic and is designed to spark conversation.

Come along, see what you think. **YOU JOURNEY IS JUST GETTING STARTED...**

REGISTER NOW!





MINISTERS FOR THE 26th & 27th September



SATURDAY 6PM: (Baltinglass)

Minister of the Word: Niall Doogue
Eucharistic Ministers: Michael Lennon
Mary Hayes

SUNDAY 11AM MASS:

Minister of the Word: Elaine Byrne
Eucharistic Ministers: Aoife Kavanagh
Elaine Birchall

GRANGECON: 9.30AM:

Minister of the Word: Anita O'Hara
Eucharistic Minister: Kay Moore

URGENTLY NEEDED

We are in urgent need of people who are willing to take up the roles of

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

AND/OR

MINISTER OF THE WORD

for

**STRATFORD AND GRANGECON
CHURCHES.**

PLEASE contact the Parish Office ASAP
On 059 648 1254 or
email admin@baltinglassparish.ie

ALTAR SERVERS

You do not have to be in primary school to be an ALTAR SERVER.

WE WELCOME YOU AT ANY AGE!

Why not become an ALTAR SERVER?

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



PARISH PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-PARISH SCHOOLS

If your child attends a non-parish school and wishes to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion or Confirmation please contact the parish office Email: admin@baltinglassparish.ie
Tel: 059 648 1254. Classes will begin shortly.

PART TIME COOK VACANCY IN TULLOW AREA

On alternative weeks, six days from 9.30am - 2.30pm. Phone 089 970 5761.

STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

02, 15, 16, 26

No Jackpot Winner

1 Match 3 Winner - €200.

Michael Conroy

Sellers Prize: Colette Bollard

Next week's Jackpot: €20,000.



BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

03, 22, 31, 33

No Jackpot Winner

No Match 3 Winner

So next week's match 3 prize will be €600.

Next week's Jackpot: €20,000.



BALTINGLASS LIBRARY EVENTS

Saturday September 26th 10.45 – 12 Noon.

Creative Writing Group - All Welcome

No Booking Required. For details ph. 059

6482300 or email baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.

BIGSTONE NATIONAL SCHOOL OPEN EVENING AND BOOK FAIR

on Tuesday 29th September from 7pm to 8pm.

Prospective parents and their children are warmly welcome to come along and visit our school and browse the shelves! Further information on: www.bigstonens.ie. or by phoning the school on 059 9161171 or by email to office@bigstonens.ie.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT (CE) MEETING IN THE COACH HOUSE IN STRATFORD

Monday 28th September at 7pm. The purpose is to give everyone an overview of CE for new people in the village and surrounding areas. Feel free to drop in for a cuppa.

HOSPITALITY MORNING

Join us for a Cup in The Parish Centre,
every Tuesday morning after 10am
Mass. All are welcome.



VISIT BALTINGLASS PARISH WEBSITE

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



EVERY MONDAY IN FATIMA HALL AT 8PM

RUNNERS AND WALKERS WANTED FOR OUTRUN HUNGER 2026 - 5K & 10K

Whether you run, jog, or walk- you can help St Clare's food Kitchen Carlow "Outrun Hunger". Improved route through Oak Park Estate, **Saturday October 17th at 10am Carlow Rugby Club, Oak Park. R93 RX2.** (Registration opens 8.30am). Refreshments & Prize Giving, afterwards in Carlow Rugby Club, T shirts, medals & refreshments for all participants. **Entry Fee: 10 km adult (over 18s Only): €35 (Commemorative Medal & Performance T-shirt) 5km adult: €25. (Commemorative Medal & Performance T-shirt) 5km under 16: €20 (Commemorative Medal & Performance T-shirt) 5km Family 4 - Two adults + 2 children under 16: €70 (Commemorative Medal & Performance T-shirt).** For every €2 raised, we can provide a meal to those in need in St Clare's food Kitchen, Graiguecullen. Book by logging on to www.popuraces.ie/race/outrun-hunger-2026

RAMPERE RECYCLING CENTRE

On 25th & 26th September, bring your old mattresses to Rampere Recycling Centre and Recycle them FREE.



SYNOD NEWS

The National Synodal Assembly takes place on 17 October in The City North Hotel in County Meath. Over a dozen people from our diocese will be present, along with Bishop Denis, as either diocesan delegates, as a member of a working group of the synod, or as a member of the National Synodal Team. Over the next number of weeks K&L attendees will have the opportunity to meet twice to help prepare for the assembly. In their preparations they will be prayerfully considering if the proposals being presented at the assembly are orientating the Irish Church towards where God wants us to be. Please keep them and the work of the synodal pathway in Ireland in your prayers.

A MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE FOR ALL PARENTS

who have children making their First Holy Communion and Confirmation in the Parish of Baltinglass on Monday 28th September at 7.30pm in St. Joseph's Church.

RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, a process for adults seeking to join the Catholic Church.

RCIA is a structured process developed by the Catholic Church to guide adults who wish to become full members of the Church, including those who have never been baptised (catechumens) and those baptised in other Christian denominations (candidates). It involves gradual introduction to Catholic beliefs, practices, and the sacraments, culminating in Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist, usually celebrated at the Easter Vigil.

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE
CONTACT OUR 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 Priest on duty at 085 831 4793.

DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Diocesan Pastoral Council met for two hours last Wednesday for a third training and formation session as they begin their new term of work together with Bishop Denis. Please remember them and all the Parish Pastoral Councils across the diocese in your prayers.

SEASON OF CREATION

Each year from September 1st to October 4, the Christian family unites for this world wide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. This year's theme is "**Living Water**". To access all materials see www.seasonofcreation.org

Weekend Collections 12th & 13th September

Off. €570. Dev. €1,550.

Many thanks to all who contributed.

