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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	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

RECENT DEATH

Pauline Murtagh (née Balfe), Colbinstown, Dunlavin & Rathvilly

ANNIVERSARIES: SUNDAY 11AM

Tim Long, Rathfarnham
Pat Sleator, Parkmore
Ken Browne, Bawnogues
Shay Donegan, Mount Neill, Rathvilly
Mary Kearney, Tinoran
Phyllis (Phil) Flanagan, Chapel Hill, Baltinglass
Rita O'Brien, Carrigeen
Michael & Julia Patterson, Main Street
Joan Murray, Clondalkin, D22
Willie Swayne, Hughestown
John Barrett, Shroughaun

GRANGECON: 9.30AM (SUN)

John Norton, Knockrigg Grangecon -1st anniversary
Joe Hammill, Kioxters Hill, Grangecon
Jim Fenlon, Barronstown
Bridget Kealy, Knocknamuc



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BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 27th September 2026

Become an Altar Server

Baltinglass Parish - St. Joseph's Church, Baltinglass, St. Mary's Church, Stratford-on-Slaney & St. Oliver Plunkett, Grangecon



We are inviting young people to join our
parish altar serving team.

- Serve at Mass and take an active part in parish life.
- Learn new skills in a friendly and supportive setting.
- Make friends and be part of a welcoming team.
- Grow in faith while helping our church community.

Interested? We would love to hear from you!
Get your parent to contact

The Parish Office: Tel: 059 648 1254

Email: admin@baltinglassparish.ie

**A MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE
FOR ALL PARENTS**

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

**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 - Tel: 059 648
1254 or Email: admin@baltinglassparish.ie
Classes will begin shortly.



**MINISTERS FOR THE
3rd & 4th October**

SATURDAY 6PM (Baltinglass)

Minister of the Word: Mary Hayes
Eucharistic Ministers: Matt O'Brien
Theresa McDermott

SUNDAY 11AM MASS:

Minister of the Word: Chris Murray
Eucharistic Ministers: Bernie Kilcoyne
Luke Doogue

STRATFORD: 9.30AM:

Minister of the Word: Liam Brady
Eucharistic Minister: Noreen Keogh

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

STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

02, 17, 20, 28



No Jackpot Winner

4 Match 3 Winners - €50 each

Patricia Leigh, Lisa Nolan,
Linda Armstrong, Eamon Dunne

Sellers Prize: Veronica Dunne

Next week's Jackpot: €20,000

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers

10, 20, 27, 34



No Jackpot Winner

3 Match 3 Winners - €100 each

Emily Kelly, Bridie Donohoe, Georgina Doyle

Next week's Jackpot: €20,000

**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 infor-
mation on: www.bigstonens.ie. or by phoning
the school on 059 9161171 or by email to
office@bigstonens.ie.

HOSPITALITY MORNING

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



BALTINGLASS LIBRARY EVENTS

Tuesday 28th September: 19.45 - 22.00.
Baltinglass Film Club showing an 80's Comedy
Cult Classic- described by one reviewer as "a
brilliant, note perfect mockumentary satire
that brilliantly deconstructs rock and roll
pomposity and launched the modern
mockumentary genre" For details ph. 059
6482300/baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie

**INVITATION TO THE ART EXHIBITION IN
BALTINGLASS LIBRARY**

Go along whenever the Library is open to see
works by artists all living in West Wicklow.



**BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT
ACTIVE RETIREMENT**

Our next meeting takes place on Wednesday
30th September at 3pm in Germaines. A
representative from Heres Law will address
the meeting.

**800TH JUBILEE OF ST FRANCIS
GK PARISH CELEBRATIONS**

Join us as we celebrate the 800th Jubilee of St
Francis (1226–2026) with four days of prayer,
music and reflection.

THURS. 1st Oct – St Clare's Church, 7.30PM
Celebrant: Fr Bryan Shortall OFM Cap., National
Director of Padre Pio Ministry. Mass with Bene-
diction & music by the Ladies Choir and members
of the Killeshin choir. Veneration of First-Class
relic of St Thérèse of Lisieux after Mass.

FRIDAY 2nd Oct. - St Clare's Church, 7.30PM
Celebrant: Fr Bernardino Soukup CFM, The Fran-
ciscan Friars of the Renewal Mass with Benedic-
tion, music by our Youth & Children's Choirs.
Veneration of First-Class relic of St Francis.

SATURDAY 3rd Oct. – St Clare's Church, 6.30PM,
We will be joined by the Secular Franciscan Order,
Carlow, with music by the Men's Choir and mem-
bers of the Killeshin choir. Veneration of First-
Class relic of St Francis after Mass.

The celebrations conclude on the Feast of St Fran-
cis, Sunday 4th October, with Mass in St Clare's
at 11.30am with music from our Combined Parish
Choirs.

**We extend a special invitation to all who bear
the name Francis to come along & receive a spe-**
cial blessing during this Mass.

At 3pm on Sunday 4th, everyone is invited to bring
their pets along for our Blessing of Pets, taking
place outside the Parish Centre.

PART TIME COOK VACANCY IN TULLOW AREA

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

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.

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 syn-
odal pathway in Ireland 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 19th & 20th September



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CONGLAIS CRAFTERS

Would like new members to join them at the
Hub in Baltinglass beside the Men's Shed, every
Tuesday from 11am - 1pm for all crafts and a
Cuppa. New members are always welcome.