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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
Grangecon\Stratford
Alternate Sundays 9.30am

#### **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

#### **VISIT BALTINGLASS PARISH WEBSITE**

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

#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

GRANGECON
June: 9/23

STRATFORD 2/16/30

### MISSIONARIES OF AFRICA (White Fathers)

Will speak at all Masses

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

and will take up a collection for their missionary work.

#### **WE REMEMEBER**

#### **RECENT DEATH**

Patrick Doyle, Graney, Baltinglass

#### **MONTHS MIND**

P.J. Hanlon, Tuckmill

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Jim O'Toole, Allendale & his grandaughter Holly, Australia Brigid Keogh, 8 Parkmore Michael Patterson, Rathmoon Timothy & Jean Connolly, Lathaleere Bill Curry, Parkmore

Johnny & Julia Dunne, Tinoran Jimmy Dunne, Hughestown Sheila Ward, Prosperous Ann O'Reilly, Woodfield Joseph, Sheila & Willie Doyle James Gethings, Parkmore Annie Groves, Parkmore

#### Grangecon: 9.30am

Brendan Harte, Barronstown Kathleen Whelan, Castleknock & Holdenstown Nigel Kehoe, Barronstown



CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT
OF BAPTISM IN OUR PARISH
Baptism takes place on the second
Sunday of every month.

All arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least three weeks prior to date of baptism. Members of our Baptism Preparation Team will host a meeting of parents to prepare for the ceremony.

**BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD** 

# **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

TRINITY SUNDAY

26TH MAY 2024



Today my young niece who is 7 years of age went down on her knees, joined her hands in prayer and then gave me a big smile. All this when she heard the Church bell ringing out. We are all called to be open hearted and receptive like children.

As adults we tend to complicate everything and wander far away from the basic message of Christianity. We have built a huge structure around this message and around Christ himself. He never intended this to happen.

Today Trinity Sunday is celebrating the creative flow of love exchanged between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Through Christ all of humanity is included in this love. Only in God is rest, tranquillity and true unity to be found as everything human has limitations. Where else do we get the grace and strength from to go through the many trials and challenges of life. Jesus - the beginning and end of our journey - also our friend along the way.

We are all called to the fullness of the Christian life, to grow in love and to develop and mature as human beings.

With my little niece this morning I could only think of St. Therese's way of spiritual childhood - the way of total surrender to our loving God. Help me Trinity God to be open hearted and receptive like a little child.

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#### **RADIO MARIA IRELAND**

Saorview - Channel 210
Stream on www.radiomaria.ie
By phone (01) 437 3277
(no extra charges apply) FREE
APP - "RADIO MARIA IRELAND"



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#### **KILDARE LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE**

Kildare 3 day pilgrimage 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> July & 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> August

A bus will depart from Monasterevin, Kildare Town, Newbridge, Naas, Sallins, Clane, Kilcock, Maynooth and Dunboyne.
For information and bookings contact – Joe 087 3815887, Deirdre 087 2467594 (After 6pm) or email <a href="mailto:deirdregleeson@medwise.ie">deirdregleeson@medwise.ie</a>



#### **FLOWER ARRANGING**

Volunteers welcome to help with flower arranging in St. Joseph's Church. At present we rely on a few people for this. A few extra helpers would make it easier for everyone.

# CARLOW CHORAL SOCIETY Verdi Requiem with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra

Carlow Choral Society proudly presents Verdi Requiem in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow, on Friday 31 May at 8pm. Conducted by Blánaid Murphy and accompanied by the RTÉ Concert Orchestra, soloists include internationally acclaimed Sylvia O'Brien, Soprano, Raphaela Mangan, Mezzo Soprano, Lawrence Thackery, Tenor and John Molloy, Bass. Suggested patronage for those over 16 is €25. See www.eventbrite.ie or



Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan
Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine
NEXT SUNDAY
Bus from Baltinglass:
Contact Duffy Coach Hire
0872543235 / 059 6471681 €30

#### STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 04, 13, 27, 28 No Jackpot Winner



1 Match 3 Winner- €200 - Fiona Murphy Sellers Prize: Colette Bollard This week's Jackpot: €13,800

#### **BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO**



Winning Numbers 08, 16, 21, 22

No Jackpot Winner

3 Match 3 Winners €100 each
Chris Murphy, Alan Mc Evoy,
Treasa Kearney

This week's Jackpot: €13.600



## BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT ACTIVE RETIREMENT

next meeting Wednesday 29th May at 3pm in Inis Fail.

Members are invited to bring along their paintings and art work for display in an Art Exhibition after the meeting. If easels are available please bring them along too.



Cancer Society.

#### **DAFFODIL DAY 2024**

On behalf of the Irish Cancer
Society, I wish to acknowledge
cheque for €15,355. The Lalor
Centre €320 and Daffodil Day

€15,035. I wish to thank all the volunteers, the Lalor Centre, Active Retirement, Men's Shed etc. To you the community of Baltinglass and surrounding areas who support us so generously every year, and for all the beautiful fresh daffodils donated to us. Thanks to the Rathvilly Garden Centre who donates daffodil bulbs every year. Sincere thanks to everyone. *Emma Hayden!*Area Organiser. On behalf of The Irish

# ACCORD now seeking marriage preparation facilitators. Might this be you ...?

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church; and, have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage ... then Accord wishes to hear from you!

An Accord marriage preparation facilitator is a personally fulfilling leadership role, blending life experience & faith. Successful applicants will receive professional training and be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally.

Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to <a href="mairiagepreparation@accord.ie">marriagepreparation@accord.ie</a> and for further information see <a href="https://www.accord.ie">www.accord.ie</a>

### KILDARE AND LEIGHLIN ANNUAL DIOCESAN COLLECTION

for our Retired Priests takes place this weekend the 25th/26th May Please give generously to continue the support of our Retired Priests.

# BALTINGLASS LIBRARY Crafting with Olha

**Tuesday 28th May:** Acrylic Painting for children 9-12 years. 3.30-4.30pm

(Booking essential)

Friday 31st May: Movie Club am11 (no booking)
Friday 31st May: Quilling for Adults 3-4pm.

(Booking essential)

Saturday 1st June: Felting for Adults 11am

(Adults only. Booking essential)

**Tuesday 4th June:** Papercraft for Children (5-7 years) (*Booking Essential. Parent/Carer must remain in the Library*)

These are free events.
Please book at the library 059 648 2300

or baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie

#### **THANK YOU**

To all who supported our Variety Concert on Friday evening, and to the artists who gave of their time and talent voluntarily.

We appreciate very much donations and raffle prizes received.

Also the help of those who facilitated the selling of tickets for the concert.

Finally a big 'thank you' to the organisers for their work over the past few weeks for ensuring a good evening was had by all.

### Keep up to date with happenings in the Church in Ireland

Catholic News is the news service of the Irish Catholic Bishop's Conference. You can follow their articles

on <u>www.catholicnews.ie</u> where you can also subscribe to a weekly ezine straight to your email inbox.

To keep up to date with what's happening on the Irish Synodal Pathway follow its Facebook page and X account – just type into the search box of each - 'synodal pathway'. This will keep you in touch with what is happening in the Universal Synod also. And don't forget to check out the diocesan website, kandle.ie, as well as our

## ST PATRICK'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY VACANCIES

#### **Housekeeping Assistant:**

6 month position

Cook:

12 month fixed term contract position

We are also recruiting for relief healthcare assistants and catering assistants to backfill for leave purposes.

Interested applications should submit a CV into Dearbhail McKee by email to <a href="https://hrmanag-er@spms.ie">hrmanag-er@spms.ie</a> by close of business 3rd June.