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## WEST WICKLOW DAYCARE COMMITTEE

Wish to say thank you most sincerely to all who helped at our recent collection and to those who donated so generously.

## WE REMEMBER <u>RECENT DEATH</u> Neville Fisher, Clough

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Pat O'Reilly, Bramble Court, Baltinglass Pearl Cleary, Shroughaun John Walsh, Oldtown & deceased members of the Walsh Family Bridget O'Hara, Raheen Sean Tallon, Knockrigg, Grangecon Mary Kehoe, Main Street Julia Smyth, Ballyraggan Des Doyle, Parkmore Paschal Dunne, Belan Street Marcella Murray, Main Street Eileen Pearson, 27 Parkmore & her son Brian Gail Kinsella, Lathaleer Patrick Fitzgerald, 47 Parkmore

### GRANGECON: 9.30am

Ita Germaine Mills, Grangecon & Perth, Australia Annie Harte, Barronstown John Fleming, Griffinstown & his wife Kitty



PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO 11AM MASS ON SUNDAY 4TH AUGUST IN ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH. MASS IN GRANGECON AT 9.30AM & IN BALTINGLASS CEMETERY AT 3PM.

# BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7TH JULY 2024

What is this wisdom that has been given him?

We say about someone we know well: Sure he's one of our own. One of our own; a sure way of saying we're proud of him— But we won't take him so seriously.

That's what they were saying about Jesus in Nazareth. And others said the same: Can anything good come out of Nazareth? Small-town boy with big-time dreams. How could he have any wisdom: Sure we know his sisters, his cousins.

And that's where he got his wisdom, the wisdom each of us shares. Wisdom comes through ordinary people. We know we get some of our wisdom from our family. We pick up wisdom with the homemade scones out of the oven. That's how it is. One of our own. Maybe you've given more wisdom that you thought.



The wisdom of Jesus is never too complicated.

It's things like: if you want to be happy, see what you can give to others. That's how he saw happiness, and that's the full wisdom of Jesus. He saw it at home - in Nazareth, and he saw it in heaven. Places of love.

We live by the wisdom of love, rather than by other wisdoms -Like the happiness that comes from straight A's in exams, or from our job, money, or physical appearance. Reals wisdom is to be in touch with love in your life, And if you're in touch with love, you're in touch with Jesus.

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## CEMETERY MASSES 2024 Baltinglass Cemetery

Sunday 4th August 3pm Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery Thursday 15th August 11am

#### **UPKEEP OF CEMETERY**

People are encouraged to tend to their graves in preparation for these Masses. We appreciate the work of CE participants. It is important that everyone makes an effort at having the cemetery looking good and respectful of our deceased.

#### FINAL CALL YOUNG MEN'S RITES OF PASSAGE

AWAKEN YOUR SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE AS YOU FULLY EMBRACE MANHOOD. 24th to 27th July 2024 Kiltegan Co. Wicklow - a five day/four night experience for men ages 18 to 28. Share in a brotherhood of young men. Experience ritual, storytelling, ancient wisdom, and encounters with the natural world. Leave with a greater sense of purpose, deeper self-understanding, and a clearer vision for your role in life. Learn more and apply at <u>www.youngmensritesireland.ie</u> (See poster in Church porch).

#### **TEARMANN COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Organic Vegetables for Sale Mixed Lettuce, Scallions, Shallots, Strawberries. Available Monday to Friday from 9 - 11am.



STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



 3 Match 3 Winners €70 each
Darina Redmond, Sean Kelly, Anne McGrath
Seller's Prize: Tony Kearney
This week's Jackpot: €3,600

## **BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO**



6 Match 3 Winners - €50 each Lorcan Doyle, Carmel Coleman, Jason Sinnott, Michael Howard, Noel Keogh, M. Salmon This week's Jackpot: €14,800

#### ART & CRAFT SECOND WORKSHOP

for adults and children, families and all lovers of nature and art. Welcome to the Tearmann Community Garden at 1pm on July 7th. Workshop is free, all materials are included. The duration of the event is three hours with a break for tea and sweets. Registration is required. Email <u>odekhtiarchuk@gmail.com</u> or Message Facebook.

## **SCOIL NAOMH ÍOSAF**

Second-hand school uniforms available at Parish Centre during opening times for this week only. Donations accepted.

KIDS ALOUD AGM Date: Tuesday July 9th Time: 7pm. Venue: 16 Parkmore W91RY20.

## CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Takes place this year on the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July. Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, Papal Nuncio of Ireland will lead the pilgrimage. Anointing of the sick takes place at 2.30pm in the Basilica followed by Mass and a Rosary Procession.

#### **BALTINGLASS STAY & PLAY**

are delighted to welcome Brenda Doody -Emerald Nanny Sleep & Behavioural expert to a Wellness Talk "Healthy Behaviour Management for the Young Children." The talk will cover managing tantrums, tricky resistance, aggressive behaviour, building resilience, healthy practical advice & practical ways at setting age appropriate expectations. **Date:** Friday 12th July @ 7.30pm **Venue:** Old School House Church Lane **Cost:** €5 entry on the door

## PROVIDING COMPASSIONATE CARE AT THE END OF LIFE

To address the sensitive issue of compassionate care at the end of life, and in response to the need to inform the faithful of Catholic teaching on this important life issue that affects so many families, the Bishops of Ireland have published the pastoral letter: Freedom to Live Fully, Until Death Comes. You are invited to read this letter and view the accompanying video Through the Valley, which offers personal testimonies by carers and people with terminal illness. The key message of both letter and video asserts that every person possesses inherent, infinite dignity that

remains intact regardless of their circumstances. To read *Freedom to Live Fully, Until Death Comes* and to watch *Through the Valley,* visit the following link <u>https://www.catholicbishops.ie/2024/06/24/</u> <u>bishops-statement-on-end-of-life-care-</u> <u>freedom-to-live-fully-until-death-comes/</u>

## INTERIOR DESIGN EXHIBITION 'MY HOME IS YOUR HOME'

This exhibition will showcase the work of 12 participants from the Ukrainian community who will complete an Introduction to Interior Design course in Baltinglass over 12 hours in July. This social inclusion project is funded by Co. Wicklow Partnership's SICAP Programme and delivered by Full Circle Interior Design.

The concept of home as a place of refuge, identity, comfort, belonging and love will be explored and how all cultures share similar views on their homes. Participants will maximise the potential of a space and reveal their personalities, culture and heritage through their designs.

The course will culminate with the exhibition of the group's work in the Rural Revival Hall in Baltinglass on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 1-3pm which will be open to the public. It will encourage appreciation, positivity, and integration between the Ukrainian and Irish communities.

Ukrainian food, drink, craft, dance, and art will also feature at the exhibition. In addition, artists from the Ukrainian & Irish communities will be invited to exhibit their work with the theme, 'My home is your Home' at the exhibition.

## MESSAGE FROM GARDAÍ IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please be aware that the Garda do not call looking to check if your money is counterfeit and take it from you. Another such theft occurred in Laois today. Stay vigilant and protect yourself from fraud.

#### **DANNY'S CORNER**

I am very sad to tell you that Tommy Colgan, one of our dear friends passed away on 25<sup>th</sup> June. He will be greatly missed by everyone in the Lalor Centre. Condolences to all of his family and friends. R.I.P. Tommy.

