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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

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#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

**GRANGECON STRATFORD** 

AUGUST: 18 11/25 SEPTEMBER: 1/15/29 8/22

## WE REMEMBER

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Joseph Murphy, Main Street
Bridget Byrne, Main Street
Jack Plant, Parkmore
Joe Plant, Parkmore
Peter Farrell, Raheen & Kitty, Gerry &
Patrick Farrell
Mollie Burke, Carrigeen

James & Elizabeth Kehoe, Newtown

#### **GRANGECON 9.30AM**

Ellen Germaine, Bessina



## A CALL TO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION REVIVAL

The Diocesan Adoration Committee invite you to a day of Prayer, Adoration & Revival in Mt. St Anne's Conference and Retreat Centre, Killenard, Portarlington, on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August from 9.30am − 4pm. Lunch (€10) 12.30pm − 1.00pm. Confessions available, Mass at 3pm. Come along and bring a friend!

#### **MASSES THIS WEEK**

No 10am Mass Tuesday & Wednesday

10am Thursday and Friday



#### **CEMETERY MASSES 2024**

Grotto/Nuns' Cemetery
Thursday 15th August 11am

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4TH AUGUST 202

### I Am the Bread of Life

The bread that feeds the body: grown, harvested, baked, prepared by human hands;
The bread of God, grown, harvested, baked,
Prepared

by the hands of God and our hands.

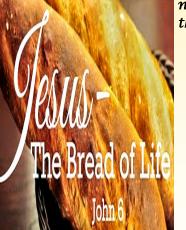
The bread of Jesus is the compassion of God for us, his people, the friendship and the forgiveness of God.

The aroma of fresh bread can fill a house and the fragrance of God's presence fills our lives, especially when we most need it:

The peace of God at times of death,

the justice of God in hunger and homeless-

the closeness of God when we feel lonely.



There could be no bread of life without our co-operation: and we bake that bread for the world; We are grateful for the gift of Jesus:
for God's love in prayer and for the care of God experienced in the care of others.



#### **SCOIL NAOMH ÍOSAF**

There are still some second hand uniforms available to take in the Parish Centre. A donation can be made at the Parish Office if desired.



#### **MASS READERS**

We would like to add to our current list of readers for all weekend Masses especially Saturdays 6pm.

As a Minister of the Word you are called on to proclaim God's Word to His people. Please take time to give this invitation some thought. If you decide to volunteer please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Ger.

#### **ASKEA PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**

Lourdes takes place 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> August Spiritual Director Fr Tom Little PP. Bishop Denis Nulty will be travelling also with this pilgrimage. €965 p/p sharing a twin/double room. Contact Tully's Travel, Carlow 059 913 6100.

#### **BALTINGLASS COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP**

It is with regret that we announce the winding up of the group which will result in the closure of the Community Shop Both the Tea Rooms and the Shop have provided a valuable service to the community over the years. We thank all who have supported both services, those who gave of their time as volunteers, all Tús and CE workers. The shop will close on Saturday 24th August.

#### **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

At the 11am Mass on Sunday 25th August we will acknowledge the work of Sr Eileen in the parish over many years. We hope you will be able to join us on this occasion as we thank her for her commitment & dedication.

#### STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



**Winning Numbers** 01, 10, 22, 25 **No Jackpot Winner** 



2 Match 3 Winners - €100 each Jean Moore, Elizabeth McCarthy Seller's Prize: Kellyann Bollard

This week's Jackpot: €5,200

#### **BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO**



**Winning Numbers** 06, 08, 20, 21 **No Jackpot Winner** 



6 Match 3 Winners - €50 each

Linda Kennedy, John Miley, Marnie Doyle, Audrey Dunne, Gerry Barrett, Michael John Patterson This week's Jackpot: €15,600

#### **WEST WICKLOW CAR CLASSIC RUN**



The annual classic car and motorcycle run takes place on Sunday August 11th in Baltinglass. Proceeds from

the event will go to support West Wicklow Daycare Service and Réalta unit for children on the ASD spectrum in Scoil Naomh Íosaf. Registration will be open from 11am in Germaine's Inis Fáil. Entry costs just €20 and includes a meal for the driver, entry in free drivers draw, goodie bag and souvenir gift. Additional meals for passengers & children may be purchased at registration. All types of classic cars, motorcycles and light commercials as well as sports or interesting vehicles are welcome as are modern classics. The event begins with a static display of vehicles on the streets of Baltinglass from 11am followed by a road run on a loop of local roads which gets under way at 2pm before returning to Germaine's for meal, prize giving, raffle etc.

#### **SUMMER COLLECTION**

For support of priests and supply priests in our parish. Contributions may be made at this time.

**ENVELOPES IN YOUR BOX FOR THIS** 

#### **EVENTS THIS WEEK** IN BALTINGLASS LIBRARY

Tuesday 6th August: Crafting with Olha for Children (5-8 year olds) - 3.30pm - 4.30pm (Booking Essential)

Parent/Carer must remain in the Library.

Friday 9th August: Crafting with Olha (Adults) - Embroidery 3pm - 5pm (Booking Essential)

Saturday 10th August: Creative Writing Group - 10.30am - 12pm

(Booking not required)

Saturday 10th August: Crafting with Olha (Adults) - Felt Work 11am - 1pm (Booking Essential)

#### **TEARMANN COMMUNITY GARDEN**

**Fresh Organic Vegetables for Sale** Lettuce, Scallions, Shallots, Strawberries etc.

Available Monday to Saturday from 8- 11am. Come pick you own if you wish.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

Badly needed to help in the garden at this busy time of year. If you can spare a few hours a week or even one morning we would love to see you. Bring a friend. Phone 086 378 3168 for information.

#### **BALTINGLASS TIDY TOWNS**

Great work has been done by a small group of people. Please do what you can to help our environment.

**VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!** 

#### **DONOUGHMORE SUMMER FETE**

Date: Monday, 5 August - 2pm to 5pm. **Location:** Donoughmore, Glen of Imaal Eircode W91C971 on Google Maps. Admission: Adults €3, Children Free. **Stalls -** Cakes/County Produce, Plants (Outdoor and Indoor), Books, Toys, White Elephant/Bric-a-Brac and the very popular Bottle Stall.

Activities: Children's Novelty Races, a Fun Challenge for Teenagers and Adults - test your strength and stamina - Prizes to be won! Test your skills at Bowls, Hoopla, Hit the Can, Guess the Number of Sweets in the Jar, Family Games Table.

'Magic Martha' the Clown to entertain the children during the afternoon (Balloon Modelling, Face Painting and Magic!) – no charge.

#### **Horse & Carriage Rides**

Mini-Auction. Lots of great items to bid for at this event held during the afternoon.

Refreshments: Afternoon Teas (in the Main Hall). Minerals for sale.

Raffle: Great prizes to be won. 1<sup>st</sup> €500, 2<sup>nd</sup> €300, 3<sup>rd</sup> €200, 4<sup>th</sup> €150, 5<sup>th</sup> €150, 6<sup>th</sup> €100, 7<sup>th</sup> €75, 8<sup>th</sup> €40 Voucher for Organic Veg. Lines available on the day.

Your support would be gratefully appreciated.

### ATHY FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING COURSES

Full-time and Part-time places available. Social Studies, Young People and Society, Healthcare, Business Studies, Bookkeeping, Marketing Practice & Early Learning & Care. All courses are free to eligible students. Training allowance available for full-time students who are in receipt of Jobseekers Payments. Information from programme co -ordinator: Una Burke, 059 8632044 Ext 2 or 087 9787727.