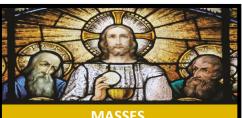
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St. Paul's Oratory Tues.- Fri. 10am St. Joseph's Church Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am Grangecon\Stratford **Alternate Sundays 9.30am**

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

SUNDAY MASSES

GRANGECON STRATFORD

AUGUST: 25 **SEPTEMBER: 1/15/29** 8/22

WE REMEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES

Nan Maguire (nee Donohoe) Tinoran & Dublin William Reynolds, Kilmurray & Baltinglass

Mary Foley, Carrigeen

Bridie Murphy, Bawnogues

Agnes Gorman, Holdenstown

Dan Kearney, Barronstown

Denis Patterson, Belan Street

Christine Bradley, Edward Street

William & Mary Fitzgerald, Knockroe

Derek Robins, Chapel Hill

Michael O'Keeffe, 1 Parkmore

David Staunton, West Demense

GRANGECON: 9.30AM

Tony Harte, Barronstown & Dublin Noel Moore, Grangecon



Death of Fr Ned Grace RIP

We offer our sympathy to the family of Fr Ned and to the Kiltegan Fathers. Fr Ned gave great service in this parish and was loved by many. Funeral Mass on Monday at 12 noon.

Do not mind anything that anyone tells you about anyone else. Judge everyone and everything for yourself. (Henry James)

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18TH AUGUST 2024

I Give My Flesh for the Life of the World

The promise of Jesus to give his flesh for the life of the world, is the promise of someone who wants to give everything.

Like the parent wanting to give everything life, love, money, education, to the point when it hurts - Jesus wants to give himself, and the best way to do it now is to give his body.

It's his way of saying: I want to give everything.

We know what he means when we love someone, and our giving means it hurts ourselves.

Where we suffe<mark>r for another, we give our lives,</mark> where we suffer with another, we give our lives. Where we share the joy of another, we give our lives.

What Jesus gives us, the bread and wine of his body and blood, is energy for growth, food for the journey, nourishment for the community, and we are, one and all, raised up, now and in the future.

For this bread of strength, for this Eucharist of love, we give thanks.



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THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY

is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers in our community. Your time can help to continue the vital service of providing transport for patients attending cancer treatment appointments. If you have a few hours to spare, a valid driving license, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you're the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. Your generosity can ease the journey for many during a challenging time, offering comfort and support when it's needed most. For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica at volunteer@irishcancer.ie.



TEARMANN COMMUNITY GARDEN

Fresh Organic Vegetables for Sale Lettuce, Scallions, Shallots, Strawberries etc. Available Monday to Saturday 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.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 2024 Best wishes to all students who will receive the results of their



Leaving Certificate exams on Friday. We hope that they will help you move on to your desired career path.

STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 03, 18, 23, 26 No Jackpot Winner



Match 3 Winners - €70 each Frances Humphreys O'Neill, Peter Pender, **David Donegan** Seller's Prize: Tony Kearney

This week's Jackpot: €5,800

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO

Winning Numbers 04, 11, 13, 21



JACKPOT WINNER - Julia O'Neill - €15.800

Match 3 Winners - €50 each Ella Parke, Chloe O'Neill, Ken Browne, Danielle O'Neill, Paul Jackman, Tom Kane, Liz Nevins, Melanie Fagan, Vivienne Monaghan & J. Nolan

This week's Jackpot: €5,000

BALTINGLASS COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP

The Community Shop will close this Saturday 24th August.

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 community owes a debt of gratitude to Margaret Milliken(and her late husband Bobby RIP) for their dedication to the project from the very beginning. We wish her good health and happiness in her new home.

SCOIL NAOMH ÍOSAF

There are still some second hand uniforms available to take for FREE

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. Saturday 24th August 9.30am – 4pm. Lunch (€10) 12.30pm - 1.00pm. Confessions Mass at 3pm. Come along and bring a friend!

BALTINGLASS STAY AND PLAY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

WALK & TALK: Play every Tuesday @10am in the Tearmann Community Gardens. PLAYGROUP: Every Thursday @10am in the Old School House Church Lane.

All are very welcome!

For more information you can find us on Facebook Baltinglass Stay & Play Group

BALTINGLASS CEMETERY

A word of thanks to the workers on the CE Scheme who pulled out all the stops and worked hard to ensure the cemetery looked well for our recent Mass. We would appeal to people to make every effort to tend to their grave throughout the year and keep the cemetery as good as possible

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland is a Weekend experience is for married couples who want something more in their marriage - more fun, spontaneity, excitement, romance, communication, understanding, intimacy, passion, joy. Our next Marriage Enrichment Weekend is 8 - 10 November at the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Online booking only: www.marriageencounter.ie

ADULT LITERACY FOR LIFE (ALL)

Do you know that in Ireland, 1 in 6 adults struggle with reading and writing, 1 in 4 adults struggle with maths and 1 in 2 adults struggle with digital skills? Do you or a family member need to improve your reading, writing, maths or digital skills? We can help. All courses are free.

Contact: Kilkenny Adult Learning Service (KCETB) 056 776 3149 or Carlow Adult Learning Service (KCETB) 059 913 5544 or freephone 1800 20 20 65 or email allinnovation@solas.ie

MORTGAGE / ABHAIL SCHEME

If your mortgage is in arrears and you are worried about your mortgage repayments, there is help. You may be entitled to free financial advice under the Abhaile Scheme, which is a State funded service.

For information, contact Tatiana McGreal on 085 867 4883 or visit www.fsireland.ie

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VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!

HERITAGE WEEK

Join Paul Gorry in association with West Wicklow Historical Society, at Baltinglass Library on Tuesday, August 20th at 7pm for a talk on "The Battle of Baltinglass." This event will delve into the historic 1950s protest where the local community of Baltinglass rallied against the post office.