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MASSES

St. Paul's Oratory
Tues.- Fri. 10am
St. Joseph's Church
Sat. 6pm / Sun. 11am
ailable on webcam & radio 100.2fn
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 STRATFORD

SEPTEMBER: 1/15/29 8/22 OCTOBER 13/27 6/20

WE REMEMBER

RECENT DEATHS

Peter Doran, Maynooth & late of Main Street,
Baltinglass

Kathleen Dwyane, Parkmore & England

ANNIVERSARIES

Bertie McDermott, Frankstown, Dunshaughlin Mick Kavanagh, Carrigeen Mary & Michael O'Brien, Hacketstown Joe Whelan, Holdenstown

Colm Phelan, Chapel Hill

Josie Twyford & her Son Anthony, Rathmoon
John McGeer, Knockrigg, Grangecon

Paddy & Maggie Murphy, Seskin, Donard Patrick & Annie Humphries, Shroughaun

Michael & Eileen O'Brien, Tuckmill

Paddy & Bridget Cullen, Raheen & their son

Pat & his wife, Patricia

Paddy & Mary Bermingham, Dublin

Tom Nolan, Lowtown

George Phelan, Rathmoon

STRATFORD: 9.30AM

Margaret (Peg) O'Donnell, Ballinacrow



"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

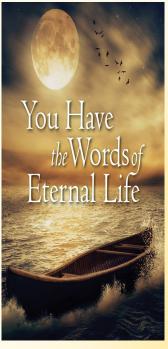
Nelson Mandela

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 25TH AUGUST 2024

'You have the Message of Eternal Life'



We pick up messages about what will give us a full life, from many daily sources.

We're told to seek the fullness of life in keeping the body young, or in knowing yourself, or in prayer and fasting, or in wealth and health, or in being well-insured.

We're told to seek the fullness of life in avoiding pain, in doing good, in loving others.

And Jesus says to seek the fullness of life, in knowing and living by the truths that God our Father loves us, that we are brothers and sisters, and that good overcomes evil.

Jesus live like this himself, aware of his Father's love, of his live for others, and courageous in his victory over evil.



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"



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.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 2024

Congratulation to those who received their results on Friday. We wish them all the best for their future.



STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 05, 09, 11, 16 No Jackpot Winner



1 Match 3 Winner - €200 Edel Jackson Seller's Prize: Grangecon Kitchen

This week's Jackpot: €6,100

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers



CONGRATULATIONS TO JACKPOT WINNER - Alex Murphy - €5,000

1 Match 3 Winner - €300 - Madge Tyrell

This week's Jackpot: €5,000

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

THANK YOU SR. EILEEN

This weekend we would like to acknowledge Sr. Eileen's ministry for many years in our parish. In her time here she reached out in various ways to people of all ages and became the friend of many. She shared with us her gifts and talents & enriched the life of our parish. She journeyed with people through happy and sad times, in times of celebration and bereavement. She supported children in our schools especially in preparing for the sacraments. Her visits to the classroom were welcomed by teachers & children. No matter what activities she was engaged in she encouraged people to become involved in parish life. All of this was grounded in her life as a Brigidine Sister and inspired by St. Brigid. We thank her for her commitment and the witness she gave among us. Even though she has decided to take life a little easier we hope that she will remain in touch with us. We wish her good health and all the best for the future.

BALTINGLASS COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP

The Community Shop remains open until 29th August. All items €2.

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, passion, joy, excitement, romance, communication, understanding, intimacy.

Our next Marriage Enrichment Weekend is 8 - 10 November at the Focolare Centre. Prosperous, Co. Kildare, Online booking www.marriageencounter.ie

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.

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

SCOIL NAOMH ÍOSAF

There are still some second hand uniforms available to take for FREE in the Parish Centre.

BALTINGLASS LIBRARY

For all children starting school in September we have a free book and tote bag, to be collected at the Library.

OPEN DAY IN ATHY FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING CENTRE

Drop in for information about our full and part-time healthcare courses on Wednesday the 4th of September from 10am -12pm and from 6pm-8pm. For information phone Rachel Doyle on 059 8632044 at Further Education and Training Centre, Carlow Road, Athy. www.athyfetc.ie or email us at bteiathy@kwetb.ie.

Fresh Organic Vegetables for Sale

TEARMANN COMMUNITY GARDEN

Lettuce, Scallions, Shallots etc.

Available Monday to Saturday 8 - 11am.

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 & DISTRICT ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Change of Date of Next Meeting:

Please note: our monthly meeting will resume on Wednesday Sept 4th at 3pm in Inis Fáil (instead of an August meeting).