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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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For Weekly Newsletter, Information, to make a donation etc.

www.baltinglassparish.ie

SUNDAY MASSES

GRANGECON STRATFORD

SEPTEMBER: 29 22

OCTOBER 13/27 6/20

PLEASE NOTE

No 10am Mass this Tuesday.
Mass instead on Monday.

WE REMEMBER

MONTHS MIND

Kathleen Devane (nee Abbott), Parkmore & London

ANNIVERSARIES

Imelda Kavanagh, Corballis & Athy

Elizabeth Nolan, The Wood

Joe Quirke, Parkmore

Michael Clynych, Kilalesh

Sally & Tony Hudziak, Graney West

The Lacey Family, Graney West

Rest in Peace

ECO MOVIE

CountyCarlow Environmental Network **NIGHT VISUAL**



September 25th: Rights of Nature is an Irish-made film about what if species had rights? Learn about how to speak for species without a voice, and how we can redefine our relationship with the natural world.



November 6th: Once Upon a Forest is about a celebrated "twig poet" whose art is shown in galleries throughout Sweden. When a climate-related crisis strikes the forest where she lives and works, she's forced into a new type of creativity to save the place that once upon a time saved her.



December 3rd: Planet Soil showcases the secret world beneath our feet. Hear a powerful call to action with practical solutions to nurture and restore the soils.

Films are free but booking is required through VISUAL Carlow
<https://visualcarlow.ie/whats-on>

When?

September 25th: Rights of Nature

November 6th: Rewilding Forests

December 3rd: Planet Soil

Where?

VISUAL Centre
Old Dublin Rd, Carlow
R93 A3K1

BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15TH SEPTEMBER 2024

Thinking God's Way



Jesus died at the hands of violent people, and his disciples would have spared him or told him to live in such a way that no harm would come to him. But God's way was the way of love, the type of love that is proved in hardship, the type of love that is understood only in God.

Illness for many years may seem like a waste to some; but we also see that within the illness was a strength that was life-giving to many, And through it a deep love and faith was born, even in times of hardship and frustration for a person who is ill and for carers.

God's way is not to see illness, disability or confusion, failure or mistakes as a waste, but as a way to live; for in the fragility of life we discover some of the deepest truths of human life.

It is God's way to see the child of God in everyone,
God's way to forgive and be reconciled,
God's way to work for justice and peace,
God's way to see, in the weakness of death,
the strong promise of eternity.

God sees no waste in life, for in everything love can grow and God can be found. And that was the way for Jesus who said that the son of Man was to suffer grievously, be put to death, and on the third day rise again.

Jesus, once condemned to death,
Now raised to life in the love of God.

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APP - "RADIO MARIA IRELAND"



LOUGH DERG ONE DAY RETREAT

Experience the beauty and peace of the holy island of Lough Derg in Co. Donegal. Return bus from Monasterevin, Kildare, Newbridge, Naas, Sallins, Clane, Maynooth, Kilcock and Dunboyne Park and Ride. Saturday 21st September. Cost: €45 for island (includes lunch) €35 bus. Further details: deirdregleeson@medwise.ie or 0872467594 after 6pm.

INVITATION TO MEDITATION

Carlow Meditation Group meets on **Monday evenings from 7 to 7.45pm** in the **Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow - excluding bank holidays.**

Meditation, the universal practice of silent contemplation, can awaken the heart, deepen our spiritual sensitivity and promote our wellbeing. No experience needed. No need to book – just turn up on any Monday evening! (Noel Keating, 087 2251183)



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STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers
04, 06, 14, 30
No Jackpot Winner



2 Match 3 Winners - €100 each
Pat Keogh & Darina Redmond

Seller's Prize: Brian Byrne

This week's Jackpot: €3,600

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers
08, 20, 22, 26
No Jackpot Winner



2 Match 3 Winners - €150 each
Brian Fleming & Miriam Manley
This week's Jackpot: €3,600



BALTINGLASS & DISTRICT ACTIVE RETIREMENT

COFFEE MORNINGS: for September will be held in Hug-a-Mug each Friday at 11am.
NEXT MEETING of Active Retirement is on Wednesday 25th Sept. in Inis Fail at 3pm

The Climate Crisis – What can we do?

In response to the Climate Crisis, you are invited to a Webinar facilitated by Jane Mellett of Trocaire on **Thursday 19th Sept. at 7.30 pm.** To register for this webinar, click the following link <https://bit.ly/3XDKJct> and enter your name and address.

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Kildare & Leighlin Diocese at the Ploughing Championships Ratheniska – 17th–19th Sept.

Once again, the diocese will be present in Ratheniska for the Ploughing Championships this year. At our Diocesan Stand 221 visitors will be invited to pledge their desire for peace in our world by placing a coloured pin on a specially designed St. Brigid's Cross, which, we hope, will be presented to Pope Francis next year during World Youth Day in Rome. The St Brigid's Cloak created on the Stand last year will be on display, a vivid reminder of the importance of our Diocesan Patron Saint & the 1500th anniversary that we are currently celebrating.



Bishop Denis looks forward to welcoming the many people from our parishes who will visit Ratheniska this week. The **'Pledge Your Pin For Peace'** initiative will be a practical way of expressing our 'no' to the horrific wars that are affecting the lives of so many all over the globe. It is hoped that in pledging a pin for peace people will make a commitment to pray for peace. An initiative to set our phones to **'Ping for Peace'** will also be launched.

All are invited to visit Block 2 Row 13 Stand 221, say hello, have a cuppa and chat, and get involved with the activities.

INTRODUCTION TO INTERIOR DESIGN

Join our 4 week beginners course on Tuesday Sept 24th, October 1st, 8th & 15th from 9.30am to 12.30pm or Wednesday Sept 25th, October 2nd, 9th & 16th from 6 to 9pm.

Venue: Baltinglass Parish Centre.

Fee: €180 (includes all materials)

Call Sharon on 089 491 7878 to book your spot. www.fullcircleinteriordesign.ie. As featured on: The Irish Times, The Wicklow People, Ireland's Homes Interiors & Living Magazine & Irish Homes & Gardens.

Baltinglass Stay & Play Women's Group

welcome Sally Foran - the Irish Beauty Fairy award winning beauty expert and qualified skincare consultant to an evening focusing on skincare, health & wellness. Sat 28th Sept at 7pm Old School House Church Lane. €10 entry can be pre-booked in advance or pay on door.

WEST WICKLOW DAY CARE CENTRE CLOTHES COLLECTION

At Baltinglass Hospital on Friday 20th & Saturday 21st September and Friday 27th & Saturday 28th September.
Fridays: 9am-11am & 3-6.30pm
Saturday: 10am-2pm.
Your support would be appreciated!

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE MEDJUGORJE

Block 5 Row 11 Stand 187 Unit 94
at this week's Ploughing Championships



CULTURE NIGHT FRIDAY 20TH SEPT 5PM 'TIL LATE.....

[* Booking required *]

Artisan Craft Market: Germaine's inisfáil 5-9pm
Baltinglass Sings: Library 8-8.15pm
Roisin O Support Acts
Stratford Lodge 6.30-10.30pm *
Secret Sonic Cinematheque Silent films, live contemporary scores. Fatima Hall 8-10pm *
Writing Workshop with Children's Author Marian Brennan
Baltinglass Library 4-5pm Ages 10-14 *
Virtual Reality Workshops
Fatima Hall 5-7pm Ages 12-18
Miscellany of Music, Song & Short Story
Baltinglass Library 6-7.30pm
The Blueberry Pickers
Horan's Lounge 9pm until late
For info visit culturenight.ie/location/Wicklow

CAIRDE CEOL AGUS DAMHSA

Moone Hall, R14Y898 from 8.30 to 9.30pm on culture night 20th Sept. Traditional Irish music and song and the Gohery School of Irish Traditional Dance. Admission free.