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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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



ST. PAUL'S ORATORY
WEDNESDAYS 7.30-8.30PM
Spend an hour in quiet
reflection before Jesus present
in the Blessed Sacrament.

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
IANUARY	19	26
FFRRUARY	2/16	9/23

WE REMEMBER

RECENT DEATH

Mary Nolan (née Hogan) Baltinglass, Enniscorthy & Lucan

MONTHS MIND

Tom Foley, Dunlavin

ANNIVERSARIES

Brian Foley, Dunlavin
John Salmon, Lowtown
Nick Carty, Wampfler & Deerpark
Joe Shortt, Tuckmill
Anne McDaid, Old County Road, Baltinglass
Phil Mahon, Bunclody & her sister
Lil McHugh, Naas
Brendan Doyle, Main Street & deceased

Brendan Doyle, Main Street & decease members of the Doyle Family Seán & Bríd O'Toole, Weaver Square Paul O'Brien, Edward Street Pat O'Keeffe, 1 Parkmore Joe O' Toole, Main Street, Baltinglass Jim & Tom Rooney, Ballymaconey Dan Campion, Parkmore

Patrick & Tom Kelly, Castlesallagh, Donard John & Charlotte Keogh, Barronstown

Michael Condron, Rathdangan Kathleen Wall, Bawnogues

John O'Sullivan, Carrigeen Alice Farrell, Weaver Square John Kenny, Shroughaun Patrick Sinnott, Enniscorthy Tony Howard, Barronstown



STRATFORD: 9.30AM

James Coleman, Stratford
Betty Keane, Ballinatone
Elizabeth & Richard Barrett, Ballinatone



BALTINGLASS - BIGSTONE - GRANGECON - STRATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

BAPTISM OFOUR LORD

12TH JANUARY 2025

Jesus, our brother and friend, born like each of us,
of a woman, and in weakness,
plunged himself into human life at the waters of the Jordan,
at the beginning of his life with us.

Into the depths of sin, love, into the mystery of fragility, weakness, and into the history of his people.

The waters of the Jordan are the waters of joy and sorrow; they are waters of hope and mystery; and they are the waters of sin and division. into the waters of life Jesus plunged and made of them the living water of God.

All life is holy, sacred, eternal because of Jesus.

We plunge with him into the depths of our own being; in the depths of love we will find the God of love, in the depths of weakness, the God of strength, in the depths of division, the God of reconciliation, in the depths of poverty and misery, the God of justice,

And in the depths of our humanity we will find the divine life of God.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY CONFIRMATION

Saturday 5th April 2025
St. Joseph's Church, Baltinglass
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Stratford: Saturday 10th May 2025 Baltinglass/Bigstone: Saturday 17th May 2025



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.

BALTINGLASS LIBRARY - FREE EVENTS

Tuesday 14th: 6.30 - 8pm

Conversational English - New volunteers welcome - to chat with adult English learners in a friendly, informal setting

Friday 17th: Crafting with Olha (Adults) Water colours 3 - 4.30pm - (B.E)

Saturday 18th: Crafting with Olha (Adults) Felting 11am - 1pm (B.E.)

B.E. = Booking Essential

These are free events. Please book at the Library on 059 648 2300 or baltinglasslib@wicklowcoco.ie



STRATFORD/GRANGECON GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 01, 13 20, 21 No Jackpot Winner



2 Match 3 Winners - €100 each Alice Hanbidge & Chillie Nolan

Sellers Prize: Maurice Mangan This week's Jackpot: €9,200

BALTINGLASS GAA LOTTO



Winning Numbers 01, 10, 29, 30 No Jackpot Winner



3 Match 3 Winners - Share €300 Bernadette Kavanagh, Kevin Lord, Sean Doyle

This week's Jackpot: €7,600

DAMA'S Cross & Cloak CONCERT

IN AID OF THE ALL-IRELAND SACRED HEART CRUSADE



SUNDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2025

Featuring local artists

7:30pm (Doors open at 6:30pm)

The Manor Hotel, Abbeyleix, Co.Laois, R32 VE24

Tickets €25 (Book on eventbrite.ie)

For more information contact







PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE



Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board. Cost: €865 €50 discount if €200 deposit paid by 31st January

For information contact: Parish Office 059 64 81 254, Fr. Ger 087 629 8881, Andy Murphy 087 09 00 819



<u>Diocesan Pilgrimage for the</u> Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Coinciding with the Jubilee for Teenagers, during the Jubilee Year of Hope, the Diocese is travelling for the Canonisation of Blessed Carlow Carlo Acutis 25th - 29th April.

This pilgrimage incudes a day trip to Assisi, trips to the pilgrims' sites of Rome and of course the Mass on Sunday in St. Peter's Square when Blessed Carlo will be declared the first 'Millennial Saint.' Bishop Denis will join us for the pilgrimage as well as Fr. David Vard. Places are limited and can be booked through Marian Pilgrimages or forms, and itinerary are available from Portlaoise Parish Centre.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025

The Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place from Saturday 18th until Saturday 25th January. This year of 2025, in addition to being a Jubilee Year based on the theme 'Pilgrims of Hope', is also the 1700th anniversary of the first Ecumenical Council of the Church, the Council of Nicaea, held in 325. That Council gave us the Nicene Creed which we profess on most Sundays and other Solemnities. Fittingly, the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity this year is "Do you believe this?", based on the Gospel of John 11:17-27 and Martha's confession of faith to Jesus.

For resources go to: https://ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2025/

St. Brigid's Camino Walk Monasterevin Parish

St. Brigid is reputed to have born in the Townsland of Umeras, just outside Monasterevin. To commemorate St. Brigid, Monasterevin Parish have organised a Camino Walk in her honour. Starting at St. Brigid's Shrine at Mountrice (W34 X529) at 11am on Monday 3rd February 2025 (walk is approximately 6km/car parking provided at Mountrice Cross). The walk will be led by Bishop Nulty and will journey via Umeras, then along the Canal Blueway, finishing in Saints Peter & Paul Church Monasterevin with a Service of Light at 12.30pm. A bus will leave the Parish Church Monasterevin at 10.30am to Mountrice and return at 2pm. For those who wish to avail of this service, payment on the bus. All those who participate will be issued with a special St. Brigid Camina Passport. St. Brigid's Crosses and refreshments will be provided on the day. For more information, please contact Monasterevin Parish Office - 045 525346.

CARLOW MEDIATION GROUP

Monday evenings 7 to 7:45 pm
Cathedral Parish Centre, College St, Carlow excluding bank holidays.

Meditation, the universal practice of silent contemplation, can awaken the heart, deepen our spiritual sensitivity and promote our wellbeing.

All are welcome - no experience needed. No

need to book – just turn up on any Monday evening! (Noel Keating, 087 2251183)