

Parish of Cooley

Second Sunday of Advent - 8th December 2019

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Masses

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Boher

Sat Dec 7th 7.00pm Paddy, Ann & Gerard Treanor
Joe, James & Irene Quinn
Tue Dec 10th 10.00am Special Intention
Thu Dec 12th 10.00am No Mass
Sat Dec 14th 7.00pm John & Elizabeth O'Hanlon & dec'd family members

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sun Dec 8th 10.00am People of the Parish
Thu Dec 12th 8.00pm Frank McCann M.M.
Sun Dec 15th 10.00am Jimmy Hanlon

Church of St. James, Grange

Sun Dec 8th 11.30am Mary McGrath
Joe Kane, Craigavon & Templetown
Mon Dec 9th 8.00pm Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed Dec 11th 10.00am Mattie & Mary Keenan
Fri Dec 13th 10.00am Petie Hanlon & dec'd family members
Sun Dec 15th 11.30am Leo McGuigan
Tess Carroll, nee Campbell M.M.

Recently Deceased

Tony Woods, late of Riverstown who died in Trim

Paddy Carron, Racecourse Road, Dundalk

Brian Gardiner who died in England

Kitty Ballantine, Bellurgan

Colm Magennis, Killeen, Newry

Ann McAvoy, Silverbridge

Ann Hanlon, nee Hussey, Oldbridge

John Savage, Blackrock, Dundalk

Isabel O'Byrne, Limerick

Parish Dead List

*Eternal rest grant on to them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine on them.*

May they rest in peace.

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

Amen

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 8th December

Due to feast falling on a Sunday this year - the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on Monday 9th December with Mass in St. James' Church, Grange at 8pm**

Children's Liturgy Group

Children are invited to bring the **figure of the infant Jesus used in the family Crib** to Mass in Boher Church on **Saturday 14th December at 7pm - 3rd Sunday of Advent**. The figure of the infant child will be blessed during this Mass

Youth Mass

Mass will be celebrated at the Youth Club in Cooley Complex on **Friday 13th December at 8pm**. **The John Paul II Awards will be presented at this Mass**

Christmas Penance & Reconciliation Service

Christmas Reconciliation Service in St. James' Church, Grange on **Monday 16th Dec at 7.30pm**

Important Dates

Confirmation - 2020

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated in Church of St. James, Grange on **Tuesday 3rd March**

First Holy Communion 2020

Grange & Rathcor children - **Saturday 25th April**
Mullaghbuoy children - **Sunday 26th April**
Boher children - **Saturday 2nd May**

Ministers of the Word

Boher Vigil Sat 7.00pm
Mullaghbuoy Sun 10.00am
Grange Sun 11.30am

Next Weekend

Marie McMullin
Peggy O'Neill
Phelim Rice

Ministers of the Eucharist

Boher Vigil Sat 7.00pm
Mullaghbuoy Sun 10.00am
Grange Sun 11.30am

Next Weekend

Group C
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Group B

Baptisms (by arrangement) PLEASE NOTE CHANGE!
As and from **1st September 2019** baptisms will be celebrated on the **1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 5.00pm.**

Grange Altar Society - Month of December - Group 6
Boher Altar Society - Month of December - Group 6

New Ministers of the Word and Eucharist

We are presently compiling rotas for the New Year 2020. **Anyone interested in joining the team** of Ministers of the Word or Ministers of Eucharist should hand their name into Parochial House 042-9376105 as soon as possible. **We appreciate the patience of our present team of Ministers and thank them for their dedication**

New Altar Society Members needed

New Altar Society members (young male and female) **urgently needed** for cleaning our Churches. **We really need new young people to become involved!**

"Walk a Mile in Her Shoes"

Cooley Parish supporting Women's Aid Dundalk invites all males to trade their shoes for heels - **today Sunday 8th Dec** commencing at **Murphy's Petrol Station, Bush at 2pm** walking the main road to Rathabbey where refreshments will be served. **Everyone welcome. Your participation will help raise awareness of this serious problem. Please return Sponsor Cards to Parochial House as soon as possible!**

Be Safe! Be Seen!

Could all **pedestrians using our roads** at this time of year please **wear High Viz clothing**

Hospital Visitation

As it is **no longer possible to access the patient list in hospitals** - due to Data Protection - **it would be helpful if families would let the priest know if they have someone in hospital they would like him to visit**

Church Gate Collection

This weekend - **Fighting Blindness**

Parish Tax Relief Scheme - Thanks

The Parish recently received **€20,960.18** from the **Revenue Commissioners** as tax relief on **Envelope Contributions** made to various parish collections during the **Tax Year ending 31.12.2018**. **This is a very significant contribution to Parish Finances and your willingness to participate in the scheme is very much appreciated. Sincere thanks to all who participated**

Cooley Community Projects Limited - Vacancies

2 Administration workers - C'ford closing date 03/01/20
1 Environmental worker - Omeath closing date 03/01/20
Phone **Ambrose 042-9376077** or cooleyce@eircom.net

Grange & District Residents' - Carol Service

Carol Service & Switching on Lights at Bush Community Park on **Sunday 8th December at 5pm. All welcome**

St. Vincent de Paul - Food Parcels Appeal

Perishable Foods Parcels for St. Vincent de Paul can be left in any of our 3 Churches **next weekend 14th/15th December**. These parcels will make significant difference to many families in our area over Christmas!

John Farrell, Monksland NS - Retirement Mass

Retirement Mass for Mr. John Farrell, Principal of Monksland N.S. will be celebrated in Grange Church on **Tuesday 17th December at 5.30pm** followed by refreshments in St. Mary's Parochial Hall - **all welcome**

Cooley Credit Union Limited - A.G.M.

Cooley Credit Union Limited A.G.M. will take place on **Monday 16th December at 8.30pm** in St. Mary's Hall. **Free draw for cash prizes among those members in attendance on the night!**

Cooley Kickhams G.F.C. - Lotto - Tickets €2

Winning Nos: 4; 21; 26; 30; - not won - **Jackpot €4000**

Dundalk's Homeless - Fundraiser

Annie Savage Therapy is having a fundraiser on **Saturday 14th Dec from 9am-5pm**. **30min massage slots available (min €20) and all proceeds will go to the cause. To book contact Annie 087-9721930. Also an opportunity to donate non-perishables, unopened toys or vouchers for their hampers**

Carlingford Lough Artists

Paintings, Prints, Cards, Calendars and more available - **Sunday 15th Dec at Celebration of Christmas in Ghan House** Admission free - all welcome

Cooley Parochial Hall

BINGO - Every Wednesday at 8.00pm