

COOLEY PARISH

THIRD WEEK OF EASTER – 26th April 2020

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Daily Mass is celebrated privately in the Church of St James Monday – Friday at 10.00am, Sunday at 11.00am. The Rosary is prayed each evening at 9.00pm, both can be viewed on the webcam

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Recently deceased:

Tommy Mulholland, Kilkerry

Michael Mc Garrity, Mucklagh

Brigid Quinn, Bundoran

Margaret Martin nee Finnegan,

Elizabeth Lila Roddy, Ard Easmuinn, Dundalk and formerly of Carlingford.

Bridie Hannon Nee Markey, died in England late of Ballug

Bernard Wynne, Rockmarshall

Annie Mc Cann, Banbridge

Ronan O Rahilly, London and Carlingford

Anniversaries:

Patsy and Marion Farrell.

Michael and Annie Mc Parland.

James Ferguson.

John O Reilly.

Nicholas Carroll.

Patrick and Margaret Carroll.

Ellen and Owenie McGuigan.

Mary and Joe Harvey.

Deceased members of the McKeown Family, Whitestown.

Rose Hanlon, Bush.

Gerard and Minnie Ryan and deceased family members.

Deceased members of the Rafferty and Lavin families.

Margaret and James Malone, Rathcor.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

I am conscious of the children who were to make their First Holy Communion this weekend and send them and their families my prayerful good wishes. At Mass on Sunday which will be celebrated in private at the Church of St James, Grange at 11.00am, I will light a candle remembering all of you and praying that you and your families keep safe in these difficult times. I hope that you are not missing school too much! You are welcome to join us on the parish webcam on Sunday. The link is <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-james-church-grange>

Fr Malachy

PRAYER REQUESTS WELCOME!

The Sisters of Mercy, "Bethany" House of Prayer, 34 Point Road, Dundalk, Co. Louth, continue to welcome any person who may wish to request "A Prayer by Telephone", especially during these very difficult times. One of the Sisters will be happy to pray with you.

Telephone: 042-9331602 – 9.00am – 9.00pm daily

ACCORD - New Free Helpline

Accord's new helpline identifies problems and offers advice to couples during pandemic restrictions. Accord's free and confidential 'Relationships Support Phone Line' for marriages, families and relationships offers support to those experiencing extra pressure due to social restrictions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The telephone numbers are:

- Accord CLG – 01 531 3331
- Accord NI – 028 9568 0151 or 00353 1 531 3331

PARISH BULLETIN

The parish bulletin will only be available on line until further notice. If there is any notice that you would like placed in the bulletin, please send it to: cooleyparish@gmail.com

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

We send warm good wishes to all parishioners and stand ready to assist in any way that we can. If you or someone you know is in need or experiencing any difficulty, please let us know and we will try to help. If you have any suggestions for us, we will be happy to hear from you.

Tommy McCann (087) 231 5737
Antoinn Watters (087) 921 3975
Kevin Thornton (086) 607 9412
Cecelia McParland (087) 207 1879
Meg o Hanlon (086) 839 5644
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A POEM MIGHT HELP!

The great poet and philosopher, John O Donohue believed that each day was a new beginning. In these days the poem might bring us to a new place of growth!

For a New Beginning!

In out-of-the-way places of the heart,
Where your thoughts never think to wander,
This beginning has been quietly forming,
Waiting until you were ready to emerge.

For a long time it has watched your desire,
Feeling the emptiness growing inside you,
Noticing how you willed yourself on,
Still unable to leave what you had outgrown.

It watched you play with the seduction of safety
And the grey promises that sameness whispered,
Heard the waves of turmoil rise and relent,
Wondered would you always live like this.

Then the delight, when your courage kindled,
And out you stepped onto new ground,
Your eyes young again with energy and dream,
A path of plenitude opening before you.

Though your destination is not yet clear
You can trust the promise of this opening;
Unfurl yourself into the grace of beginning
That is at one with your life's desire.

Awaken your spirit to adventure;
Hold nothing back, learn to find ease in risk;
Soon you will be home in a new rhythm,
For your soul senses the world that awaits you.