

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

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### Recently Deceased:

Susie McGuigan, Rathcor

Alex Millar, Belfast and Whitestown

Kate Lecane, nee Grant Monkstown, Dublin

Katie Kelly, nee Donnelly, Birmingham and formerly of Templetown

Angela McGivern, nee Rourke, Lancashire and formerly of Ballagan

Imelda Carroll, London

### Anniversaries

#### Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Boher

Sat	12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7.00pm	Joe Quinn Hugh and Ellen Byrne and deceased family members
Tue	15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	Special Intention
Thu	17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	Special Intentions
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7.00pm	John, Brendan, James and Catherine Murphy Sean and Kathleen Murphy, Ballagan and deceased family members John and Elizabeth O'Hanlon and deceased family members

#### Church of St Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sun	13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	Breege O'Reilly
Thu	17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8.00pm	No Mass
Sun	20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	Peter, Thomas, Catherine & Baby Thomas O'Reilly

#### Church of St James, Grange

Sun	13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am	Leo McGuigan
Mon	14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	Private Intention
Wed	16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	John and Minnie O'Connor, Pat and Una Shields
Fri	18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	Private Intention
Sun	20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30am	Mickey Rice Bernard Murnaghan

### Nightly Rosary

The Rosary is recited nightly at 9pm and can be viewed on the parish webcam

[www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv)

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday & Friday in Grange Church

Tuesday & Saturday in Boher Church and Thursday in Mullaghbuoy Church

## **Christmas Plans**

With continued restrictions and a limit of 50 people attending Mass at Christmas, it has been very difficult to decide how best we might celebrate the sacred moment in which Christ was born. It is possible to experience the spiritual richness of Christmas in many ways. Our homes can become 'little churches' where we invite the Christ-child in. The age old tradition of having a Christmas crib in the home and gathering as a family to pray or to sing a carol will be especially meaningful this year. Families or 'household bubbles' are encouraged to pay a visit to your church at some time during the twelve days of Christmas to offer a Christmas prayer at the crib and pray together for their families and particularly for those impacted by the pandemic.

In conjunction with the Pastoral Council we have decided that Mass on Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day will be celebrated in private and streamed on the Parish Webcam. Archbishop Eamon has kindly agreed to celebrate Mass in Cill Mhuire which will be recorded and released at 7.30pm on Christmas Eve. These are unprecedented times and crucially important that we keep Christ at the heart of Christmas, and give thanks to a generous God who sent His Son among us. As we plan ahead it will clearly not be possible to have large congregations assemble for Mass on Christmas Eve or on Christmas Day. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains suspended during the pandemic. Families are encouraged to attend Mass at some point during the twelve days of Christmas.

Coupled with a genuine concern for the health and safety of parishioners and our reluctance to turn anyone away at Christmas, we feel that this is the best way forward and we hope that you will understand.

## **Baptisms (by arrangement)**

Baptisms will be celebrated every Saturday at 5pm. It is recommended that numbers attending the Baptism be kept to a minimum in order to protect one another

## **Parish Bulletin**

Anyone who would like a copy of the bulletin sent to them by email each week should request this by emailing the Parish office at: [cooleyparish@gmail.com](mailto:cooleyparish@gmail.com)

## **St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal – Sincere Thanks**

Sincere thanks to all who supported – with Cash donations and Vouchers - the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal last weekend

## **Cake Sale on Facebook live!**

A cake sale in aid of Parish Funds will be held in Cooley Complex today Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December commencing at 10.00am. All sorts of confectionaries, cakes, tarts, buns, puddings, etc welcome. All non-fresh cream items can be handed in at Complex on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec from 4pm – 6pm. All fresh cream items to be can be delivered on Sunday morning from 8.30am at Cooley Complex

A raffle for Christmas Hampers will take place on the day also. Thank you!

## **Cooley Genealogical & Historical Society**

Can you locate any extinct Mass paths in the Peninsula? If so, please phone 085-1833110

