

Sunday 3rd January 2021

Second Sunday of Christmas

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Together with Fr Tommy I want to express my deeply felt gratitude to the parishioners of Cooley Parish for your kindness and generous support especially in these fraught times. I pray that together we can honour the Christ whose birth we have just celebrated and that His light and love may continue to touch all of our lives in the New Year; that our parish community may grow in faith and never fail to reach out with hope to one and all.

Recently deceased:

Mary White, Rathcor

Brian Boyle, Rathcor

Gerard Kieran, Castletowncooley

Phil Walsh, nee Carron, Greenore & Tipperary

Mai Bruen, Omeath

Alex Millar, Belfast & Whitestown

Anniversaries

Bernard and Sadie McCarragher, Millgrange

Tommy O'Rourke, Castletowncooley

Mick and Mary Rice, Bush

Tommy, Kathleen, Tom, Pat and John Carroll, Willville

Susie McGuigan M.M.

James and Teresa Loughran

Owen McCann, Glenmore

Patsy McGarrity, Donabate

Special Intentions

COVID-19 Government Restrictions

As and from **Saturday 26th December 2020**, in keeping with Government Restrictions, **all Masses** will be celebrated **IN PRIVATE** and will be streamed on the parish webcam www.churchservices.tv

Weekend Mass: Sun 3rd Jan at 11.30am Church of St. James, Grange

Weekday Masses: Mon 4th Jan 8.00pm Church of St. James, Grange
Tue 5th Jan 10.00am Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher
Wed 6th Jan 8.00pm Church of St. James, Grange
Thu 7th Jan 8.00pm Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy
Fri 8th Jan 10.00am Church of St. James, Grange

Wednesday is the Feast of the Epiphany

A holy day of obligation

Baptisms (by arrangement)

Baptisms will be celebrated with 6 people attending.

Funerals

Funeral Masses will be celebrated with 10 family members attending.

Face Covering in Church

It is highly recommended for the safety of yourself and others to wear face covering while attending Church. Children under 13yrs are exempt from this.

Nightly Rosary

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

www.churchservices.tv

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday & Friday in Grange Church

Tuesday & Saturday in Boher Church and Thursday in Mullaghbuoy Church

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

Collection for Charities – St. Vincent de Paul, Women’s Aid and Simon Community

Heartfelt thanks to all who donated Cash (**value €3555**) and Vouchers (**value €805**) to the collection for the Charities on 6th December

Parish Pastoral Council – Reaching out with hope!

The Pastoral Council are anxious to reach out with hope amidst these days of heightened restrictions and increased concern regarding the spread of the Coronavirus – we want to help in any way that we can.

We are particularly concerned about families who are already coping with the effects of the virus and are stressed by its effects – if there is any support that we can offer please let us know. To all who feel vulnerable and those who are finding the necessary isolation difficult – we can arrange telephone contact and socially distanced visits if necessary. It is crucially important that despite the restrictions that our parishioners, indeed everyone in our community, receive the support that they need.

“Ar scath a cheile a chaireann na daoine” is an Irish saying that translates literally as “People live in each other’s shadows.” Perhaps it was never more important for us to be conscious of the needs of others. Please feel free to contact any member of the Pastoral Council if we can assist in any way.

Parish Pastoral Council Members

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| Eugene Bolton | 087-2824802 | Moira Campbell | 086-0801382 |
| Tommy McCann | 087-2315737 | Mairead Carroll | 085-8258416 |
| Frank McMullin | 087-2217455 | Rosie Hanlon | 087-9512101 |
| Kevin Thornton | 086-6079412 | Alice McCann | 087-2315737 |
| Antoin Watters | 087-9213975 | Terry McIntyre | 087-7929568 |
| Fr. Malachy Conlon | 087-2385940 | Celia McParland | 087-2071879 |
| | | Meg O’Hanlon | 086-8395644 |

Parish Tax Relief Scheme – Sincere thanks

The total tax relief received by the Parish from the Revenue Commissioners on Envelope Contributions made to various collections during the Tax year ending 31.12.2019 has now reached €23,526.46 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 Credit Union Limited – New Year Opening Hours

As and from **Monday 4th January 2021** – Credit Union Office hours are back to normal hours

Operation Bush4mation 2021

Outdoor and Virtual classes starting **4th January 2021**. Registration online glenmoreac.com

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

2 Environmental workers - Cooley closing date 15/01/2021
1 Caretaker - Cooley closing date 15/01/2021
2 Environmental workers - Carlingford closing date 15/01/2021
1 Administration - Carlingford closing date 15/01/2021
1 Environmental worker – Omeath closing date 15/01/2021
Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Covid-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of Covid-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice And reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818-222024

Prayer by Telephone

The Sisters of Mercy at “Bethany” House of Prayer, 34, Point Road, Dundalk welcome any person who may wish to request prayer, especially during these difficult times to phone 042-9331602 – all requests are confidential. *One of the Sisters will be happy to listen and pray with you*

Bereavement Support Line - Pastoral Centre, Dundalk

A telephone listening service is now in place. Members of the Bereavement Team will be available at the following numbers to support adults who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

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| Monday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | 089-4677721 |
| Tuesday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | 089-4682919 |
| Thursday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | 089-4677734 |
| Friday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | 089-4677747 |

Cooley Genealogical & Historical Society

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