

Cooley Parish Bulletin 30th July 2023

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Lilac Moon

Today the world seemed cruel, but evening hours
were filled with perfume from forgotten flowers.
I saw again familiar filigree
of moonlight through my lacy Lilac tree;
I heard the robins stirring in their nest;
and saw the path that fairy feet had pressed;
reflected stars were in my garden pool;
on my warm face the breeze was kind and cool.
The silence seemed to speak, my head was bowed,
then ramblers that had grown into a cloud
lifted my eyes that, tear-washed, now could see
the beauty that today was lost to me.
Dear God, who is so near to flowers, and birds,
be nearer still, as I shall search for words
to thank Thee for the blessings night revealed,
which through the day discouragement concealed.

Recently Deceased

Olive Traynor, nee Woods, Ballynamoney and Dundalk
James Hanlon, Ballagan
Micheál Rafferty, formerly of Ballagan who died in Wales
Briege Quinn, Lower Faughart
Glen Lawlor, Dundalk and Ayr, Scotland
Owenie Mulligan, Omeath
Mary Faulkner, nee McKeown who died in Essex
Martin McConnon, Carrickmacross
Eddie Tuite, Blackrock

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	29 th July	at 7.00pm	Mick, Lizzie, Peter and Sarah Murphy and Joe and Lily McKeivitt Pat Hanlon and dec'd family members, Ballagan Kathleen Carr, Dundalk
Tuesday	1 st Aug	at 10.00am	Private Intention
Thursday	3 rd Aug	at 10.00am	No Mass
Saturday	5 th Aug	at 7.00pm	Sean and Margaret Morgan and dec'd members of Kearney family James Hanlon M.M.

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	30 th July at	10.00am	Owenie and May Sheelan, Rathcor
Thursday	3 rd Aug at	8.00pm	Michael and Sarah Murphy and dec'd members of Murphy and Donnelly families
Sunday	6 th Aug at	10.00am	Forgotten Souls

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	30 th July at	11.30am	Matt and Kathleen White and dec'd family members Peter, Terri and Simon Monk Paddy, Maureen, Jack and Bridget Ferguson Tommy and Mary Brigid Finnegan and dec'd family members and Eugene Mooney, Banbridge
Monday	31 st July at	8.00pm	Dylan Lavelle, Dundalk - recently deceased
Wednesday	2 nd Aug at	10.00am	James Callan, Castletowncooley
Friday	4 th Aug at	8.00pm	Private Intention
Sunday	6 th Aug at	11.30am	Tommy Donnelly, Templetown Sean O'Connor, Grange

'We Are His Hands' - a New Cooley Parish Project

Work commenced on Friday 16th June and Saturday 17th June

Work is continuing on our Parish Project every Friday evening from 7pm and Saturday morning from 10.00am.

As expected, it is labour intensive – if you can use a chisel, hammer, shovel, saw or a wheelbarrow and if you can spare some time, no matter what your skill set, we would like to hear from you.

Please call the Parochial House 042-9376105 or the Parish Office 042-9397617.

Big shout out to all clubs, organisations, groups, etc... we would love if you got your group to give us a “dig out” at this first phase of the project

Your help is greatly appreciated!

Together we can make a real difference!

Cemetery Mass and Blessing of Graves 2023

Cill Mhuire Tuesday 15th August at 7.00pm

Friday is the First Friday

Fr. Malachy will visit the old and housebound on Friday 4th August in all areas

If you have a relative, neighbour or friend that would like Fr. Malachy to visit them, please contact Parochial House 042-9376105 or Parish Office 042-9397617 with their name and telephone number

Baptisms (by arrangement)

Baptisms will be celebrated on 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 5.00pm

Funerals

When a Funeral Mass is being celebrated in the Parish there will be no other morning Mass celebrated that day

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Bus departs from Friary Church, Dundalk on Monday 7th August at 7.45am – Sr. Briege McKenna will be guest speaker. Fare €20 – meals at own expense. Everyone welcome. For more info phone 085-1833110

Charitable Donations Scheme 2022

Last November the Parish received €27,356.26 from the Revenue Commissioners from the Charitable Donations Scheme 2021. We are presently working on the claim for year ended 31.12.2022 and we would appreciate if any Parishioner making Envelope contributions to the Parish, who pays PAYE, would sign the relevant form. These forms can be signed after Mass at the back of the Church this weekend. Your participation in the Scheme is greatly appreciated

Light the Fire, Hill of Slane – 6th August 2023

You are invited! Archbishop Eamon Martin will celebrate Mass at Slane on 6th August as part of a Light the Fire Rosary/Healing Service on World Youth Day. Sr. Briege McKenna will lead the healing service while Eurovision's Dana will sing her new song for St. Patrick which recalls how our patron saint lit the fire of faith on Slane in 433AD.

All welcome 12.15pm – 4.30pm. A free bus will be provided for anyone interested in attending - please phone Parochial House 042-9376105 or Parish Office 042-9397617 to book your seat before Friday 4th August

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

1 – Environmental worker - Cooley	closing date 28/08/2023
1 – Cleaner - Cooley	closing date 01/09/2023
1 – Caretaker - Cooley	closing date 01/09/2023
1 – Caretaker - Omeath	closing date 01/09/2023

Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or email cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Carlingford/Omeath Red Cross Social

Carlingford/Omeath Red Cross have rescheduled their Senior Citizens Social – it will now take place on this Sunday 30th July from 4pm to 7pm in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley. Music by The Sandman. All are welcome

Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings in Rathabbey Community Centre every Wednesday morning at 10.30am. Everyone welcome!

Cooley Zoom Bingo

There will be NO ZOOM BINGO during the month of August – re-commencing on Wednesday 6th Sept

Cooley Kickhams G.F.C. Lotto €2 per line or 3 lines for €5

Winning Nos. 6; 7; 20; 21; - not won - Next week's Jackpot €12,800

Carlingford Lough Heritage Trust

The Chamber Choir Ireland present "The Birds and The Bees" on Sunday 4th August at 4pm in Heritage Centre Tickets can be booked online or phone 042- 9373454

Car boot Sale

Car boot Sale at St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley on Sunday 13th August and Sunday 27th August from 10am to 3pm.

€20 per stall – tables available for indoor stalls

WhatsApp, text or call Tina 087-2236124 to book your stall

In aid of North Louth Hospice in memory of Tommy McDonnell

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023

Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 28th September to 2nd October from Omeath. Cost €775 includes full board, excursions and transfers by coach to airport. Everybody welcome. For further information please contact 042-9375281; 086-1072222 or 085-1833110

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas

Last remaining places for special Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas 2023 – ex Dublin taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives with full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day.

For more info contact: James Treacy 0035361921470 or jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com

Support Group

Support group for relatives and friends who support people with mental health difficulties – sorry NO MEETING on First Wednesday in August in Ardee Business Park, Hale Street, Ardee.