

Cooley Parish Bulletin 10th March 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent

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The Carrying of the Cross

A kiss on the back of the neck tingles,
Almost sound, a breath of music in bone,
It is here they laid the heavy crossbeam,
Each step a thud inward like sick thunder.

Those he knows to see will not meet his eyes.
They fear his gaze might unleash misfortune.
Sweat down his back opens a line of wounds.
A white towel absorbs a mirage of his face.

It invades his head. All silence leaves him.
Stooped forward he watches his innocent feet
Search each step for sure ground to take the weight.
He falls face first on the broken pavement.

Windows open in the crowd, his heart rends
At the weeping of his mother and friends.

Recently Deceased

Sinead Gill, nee Sheelan, Ballinamara
Frances Malone, Rathcor
Claire Rogan, Monksland
Cathal Durnin, Dundalk and Templetown
Ann Delaney, Laois

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	9 th Mar	7.00pm	Joseph and Ethna McCumiskey and Gloria Navaritte Benitas
Tuesday	12 th Mar	10.00am	Patrick and Teresa McGrane
Thursday	14 th Mar	10.00am	Paddy and Betty Callan and Paddy Duffy
Saturday	16 th Mar	7.00pm	Raymond Hanlon Ben and Nora Luttrell Teresa Brennan, Atlanta M.M.

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	10 th Mar	10.00am	People of the Parish
Thursday	14 th Mar	8.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	17 th Mar	10.00am	John White, Castletowncooley

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	10 th Mar	11.30am	Maura Thornton May McGuinness Andrew Malone
Monday	11 th Mar	8.00pm	Finbar Carroll
Wednesday	13 th Mar	10.00am	James and Mary Ann Larkin and dec'd family members
Friday	15 th Mar	10.00am	Private Intention
Sunday	17 th Mar	11.30am	Peadar and Colin Murphy John, Mary Ann and Patrick Mackin May Murphy, Templetown Claire Rogan M.M.

First Holy Communion

Grange and Rathcor children - Saturday 27th April in Grange Church at 11.00am
Mullaghbuoy children - Sunday 28th April in Mullaghbuoy Church at 10.00am
Boher children - Saturday 4th May in Boher Church at 11.00am

First Penance

First Penance will be held on Thursday 21st March at 7pm in Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Thursday 9th May by Bishop Michael Router in Church of St. James, Grange at 11.00am

Cemetery Mass and Blessing of Graves 2024

Grange cemetery Sunday 2nd June at 11.30am
Boher cemetery Saturday 27th July at 7pm
Cill Mhuire Thursday 15th August

Monthly Healing Mass and Anointing of the Sick

Monthly Healing Mass and Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated in Church of St. James, Grange on Tuesday 19th March at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome

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

Divine Mercy Prayer Chaplet

Divine Mercy Prayer Chaplet in Church of St. James, Grange on Sunday evenings from 7.30pm-8.00pm. Everyone welcome

Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024

Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from 12th to 17th May this year. The fare is €895 per person sharing (Single room supplement and Travel Insurance extra). Fare includes: flights to and from Lourdes, transfers to and from Airport in Lourdes, full board, full Pilgrimage programme & airport taxes.

Please note Cooley Lourdes Committee are not travelling on the Pilgrimage this year but anyone wishing to travel should contact: Eunan 087-7624950 to book their place

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 27th August – 3rd September – Cost approx €300 which includes bed/breakfast plus full itinerary. You book your own flight. Optional excursions available. Phone 085-1833110

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Sunday 26th May this year.

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

1 – Cleaner/Community worker Cooley

closing date 18/03/2024

1 – Cleaner - Cooley Kickhams

closing date 18/03/2024

1 – Caretaker - Cooley Kickhams

closing date 18/03/2024

1 - Environmental worker Cooley & Omeath

closing date 18/03/2024

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

EmployAbility Service, Louth

Employment: Would you like to work part-time or full-time? Are you unemployed due to accident, illness, injury, disability or in recovery from depression. Help to seek employment is available.

For further information on this service please contact: EmployAbility Service Louth. Phone 042-9386718 or 087-6386885

Cooley Zoom Bingo

ZOOM BINGO every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm. Selling books €6 (5page book) Dympna Woods, Mary Clerkin, Linda Halpenny, Padraig O'Connor, Mulligan's shop, Omeath and Cecelia Murphy, Lordship.

Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings in Rathabbey Community Centre every Wednesday morning at 10.30am in 2024
Everyone welcome!

Cooley Active Retirement Group

Cooley Active Retirement Group – meet every Thursday at 2.30pm in Cooley Complex – new members needed to make it viable. Come along and enjoy the craic! – everyone welcome

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler group – Open every Thursday in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley from 10am – 12noon. All welcome

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

Winning Nos. 1; 3; 11; 19; - not won - Next week's Jackpot €18,800

Bush Post Primary School – Career Fair

Bush Post Primary School are hosting a Career Fair on Thursday 14th March from 5pm – 7.30pm in the School Gym. Parents and students can speak to Irish and Northern Universities, Institutes of Technology, P.L.C. and Apprentice courses, etc. All welcome

St. Patrick's Day Parade

St. Patrick's Day parade featuring local schools and various vehicles including vintage vehicles will commence at Bush, Riverstown at 1pm on Sunday 17th March. Carlingford Pipe Band will lead the Parade and will proceed to Cooley Football field and Complex where music will be provided at 2pm.

A children's disco will take place downstairs. Irish stew will be available in Complex while stocks last. Patrons involved in the parade are asked to assemble at Bush at 12.30pm. For info phone 087-6494965

Glen United Table Quiz for MND

Table Quiz – table of 4 - in Martins Bar, Riverstown on Saturday 16th March at 9pm. All proceeds to Motor Neurone Association

Coffee Morning

Andrea McKeivitt is hosting a Coffee morning on Saturday 23rd March from 10am – 1pm in her home on the Gyles Quay Road. All proceeds to Irish Cancer Society and Barretstown. Everyone welcome

Cooley Camogie Club – Thanks

Cooley Camogie Club would like to thank all who took part in their recent very successful Table Quiz fundraiser. It was a wonderful evening!