

Cooley Parish Bulletin

Second Sunday of Lent 16th March 2025

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That Garage *by Patrick Kavanagh*

The lilacs by the gate,
The summer sun again,
The swallows in and out
Of the garage where I am.
The sounds of land activity,
Machinery in gear;
This is not longevity
But infinity.
Perhaps a little bit
Too facilely romantic;
We must stop and struggle with
A mood that's going frantic,
Getting Georgian,
Richard Church and Binyon.
O stand and plan
More difficult dominion.

Recently Deceased

Rt. Rev. Mgr. Raymond Murray P.E. Armagh
Pat Larkin, Edmonton, Canada and formerly of Ballynamoney
Elizabeth Brown, Omeath

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	15 th Mar at	7.00pm	Raymond Hanlon Ben and Norah Luttrell
Monday	17 th Mar at	10.00am	St. Patrick's Day
Tuesday	18 th Mar at	10.00am	No Mass
Thursday	20 th Mar at	10.00am	Alfie Gallagher
Saturday	22 nd Mar at	7.00pm	Henry Ferguson Eddie and Sheila Doherty and dec'd family members

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	16 th Mar at	10.00am	John White, Castletowncooley Kenneth McBride
Thursday	20 th Mar at	8.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	23 rd Mar at	10.00am	Jimmy and Bridie Rooney and dec'd family members

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	16 th Mar at	11.30am	John and Brigid Clarke and dec'd family members Liam Clifford Jack Kearney and dec'd family members, Templetown Anna May Horgan, nee Long - recently deceased May Millar, Belfast
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Monday	17 th Mar at	8.00pm	John, Patrick, Mary Ann, Pat and May Mackin
Tuesday	18 th Mar at	7.30pm	Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Wednesday	19 th Mar at	10.00am	Ray and Molly Fitzpatrick
Friday	21 st Mar at	10.00am	Gerard and Minnie Ryan and dec'd family members
Sunday	23 rd Mar at	11.30am	Gerard Murtagh Alice O'Hagan Donal Mulholland Anna England Peadar and Colin Murphy Maura Carroll

Confirmation

Saturday 22nd March at 11am in Grange Church

First Holy Communion

Saturday 3rd May - Monksland and Rathcor

Sunday 4th May - Mullaghbuoy

Saturday 24th May - Boher

Welcome

We welcome speakers from Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Dundalk to speak at all Masses in our Parish this weekend

Monday is Feast of St. Patrick – Patron of Ireland

A holy day of Obligation

Mass in Boher at 10.00am and Grange at 8.00pm – Shamrock will be blessed at both Masses

Parish Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Parish Eucharistic Adoration will be in Church of St. James, Grange every Friday morning from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Everyone welcome during this time to spend a short time in prayer and adoration

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 every Sunday evening from 7.30pm-8.00pm

Monthly Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick

Monthly Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated in Church of St. James, Grange this Tuesday 18th March at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome

Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025

This year the Armagh Diocesan pilgrimage takes place from Monday 5th – Saturday 10th May 2025. Few places still available

Cooley Lourdes Committee – Guest Tea

Cooley Lourdes Committee are organising a Fundraiser Guest Tea in St. Mary's Hall, Cooley on Sunday 13th April at 4pm. Music by Paddy Mac and Easter Floral demonstration by O'Neill's Flowers, Willville. Also raffle on the day.

The event is to raise funds to bring Assisted Pilgrims to Lourdes as part of the Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage in May

Sincere Thanks

Carlingford/Omeath Red Cross wish to sincerely thank all who supported their recent Church gate collection which amounted to €727.54 + £2.26

Knock Pilgrimage – Jubilee Year of Hope

The blessed pilgrim Sacred Heart of Jesus statues will travel to Marian Shrine, Knock, Co. Mayo, culminating in the celebration of Holy Mass in the Basilica on Sunday 22nd June 2025 from 9am-5pm. Chief celebrant Archbishop Eamon Martin. Speakers Fr. Bernard Guckian, S.J. and Fr. John Hogan. For those who wish to travel to the event, a bus will be arranged. For full day programme and details, please contact: Laurena 085-1833110

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

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| 1 - Environmental worker - Omeath | closing date 18.04.25 |
| 2 - Environmental workers - Carlingford | closing date 18.04.25 |
| 1 - Environmental worker - Cooley | closing date 23.04.25 |
- Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or email cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Cooley Community Playgroup Limited - Recruiting

Cooley Community Playgroup are looking for Childcare Assistant – must have at least Level 5 in Early Childhood Studies. Please send C.V. to ccpgroup@eircom.net or post to Cooley Community Playgroup Ltd, Monksland, Carlingford, Co. Louth A91 DD1F

Rathcor National School – Enrolments 2025/2026

Please contact school 042-9376543 on Tuesday or Thursday between 9am – 1pm for an enrolment form

Muchgrange National School – Enrolments 2025/2026

Enrolments for children for school year September 2025 – enrolment forms available from the school please phone 042-9373604

Employment Opportunities

Are you looking for part-time or full-time work? If you're unemployed due to accident, illness, injury, disability or are recovering from depression, EmployAbility Service Louth is here to support you in finding employment. For more info please contact: 042-9386718 or 087-6386885

St. Vincent de Paul – Home Visitation Volunteer

St. Vincent de Paul is currently looking for compassionate individuals to join their Home Visitation teams. If interested email: Dundalk.areacouncil@svp.ie or call 1800 677 777 (press 2 for members)

Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Morning

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

Cooley Zoom Bingo

Zoom BINGO every *Wednesday evening at 7.30pm*. Selling books €6 (5page book) Dympna Woods, Mary Clerkin, Linda Halpenny, Pdraig O'Connor, Mulligan's Shop, Omeath, Cecelia Murphy, Lordship. Flyers on sale for bingo on Wednesday 19th March

Cooley Active Retirement Group

Cooley Active Retirement in Cooley Complex every Thursday at 2.30pm. New members always welcome!

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group every Thursday from 10am–11.30am in St. Mary's Hall, Cooley

Cooley Kickhams G.F.C. Lotto €2 per line

Winning Nos: 4; 7; 14; 30; - not won - Jackpot €9,000

St. Patrick's Day Parade

St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held this Sunday 16th March from Bush, Riverstown to Cooley Kickham's Sports Complex where there will be live music from 2pm – 4.30pm. Disco in Complex for children. There will be refreshments available. Please assemble at Bush at 12.30pm - the parade starts at 1pm - all welcome. For more enquiries phone Eddie 087-6494965

Host Families Wanted

Host families wanted for International students July and August 2025 – students will attend Carlingford Adventure Centre Monday to Friday. Rates €250 - €500 per week. For info WhatsApp Nuala 086-3918665

Pilates Classes for Seniors

Pilates classes for Seniors starting in Omeath in March – Fridays from 12noon – 12.45pm – 4 week term WhatsApp 085-7246247 to book your place