

Cooley Parish Bulletin

Second Sunday of Christmas – 4th January 2026

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A Prayer for the New Year by Francis Brien

As we begin anew,
and take our first steps into the future.
Where nothing is safe and certain except You,
O Lord
we ask for the courage of the wise men
who simply went and followed a star.
We ask for their wisdom
In choosing to peruse the deepest truth
not knowing where they would be led.
In the year to come, God of all time
be our help and company.
Hold our hands as we journey onwards
and may your dream of shalom
where all will be at peace,
be our guiding star.

Recently Deceased

Jean Coyle, Irish Grange
Seamus Fagan, Whitestown
Phil Shields, Belmont
Bernard Murphy, New Jersey, U.S.A.
Teresa Keene, Dundalk

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

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| Saturday | 3 rd Jan at | 7.00pm | Bernard and Sadie McCarragher |
| Tuesday | 6 th Jan at | 10.00am | James and Teresa Loughran |
| Thursday | 8 th Jan at | 10.00am | No Mass |
| Saturday | 10 th Jan at | 7.00pm | Ambrose Murphy |

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

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| Sunday | 4 th Jan at | 10.00am | Private Intention |
| Thursday | 8 th Jan at | 8.00pm | No Mass |
| Sunday | 11 th Jan at | 10.00am | Tommy O'Rourke |

Church of St. James, Grange

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| Sunday | 4 th Jan at | 11.30am | Paddy and Kitty Sheelan, Rathcor James, Ellen, Kathleen and John Killen, Ballagan Tommy, Kathleen, Pat, Tom and John Carroll, Willville Delma Dwyer, Whitestown and Dublin Angela Waring, Top Rath and Greystones |
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| Monday | 5 th Jan at | 8.00pm | Vigil Mass – Feast of the Epiphany |
| Wednesday | 7 th Jan at | 10.00am | Private Intention |
| Friday | 9 th Jan at | 10.00am | Private Intention |
| Sunday | 11 th Jan at | 11.30am | Mick and Mary Rice Paul and Mary Feehan Dec'd members of Feehan family, Riverstown |

Confirmation 2026

Saturday 2nd May at 11am in Church of St. James, Grange

First Holy Communion 2026

Boher children Saturday 25th April at 11am

Monksland & Rathcor children Saturday 23rd May at 11am

Mullaghbuoy children Sunday 24th May at 10am

Tuesday is the Feast of the Epiphany – 6th January

A holy day of obligation

Vigil Mass in Grange Church on Monday at 8pm

Mass in Boher Church on Tuesday at 10am

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

Parish Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Parish Eucharistic Adoration will continue in Church of St. James, Grange every Friday morning from 10.30am – 12.30pm. Everyone welcome

Divine Mercy Prayer Chaplet

Divine Mercy Prayer Chaplet in Church of St. James, Grange this Sunday evening from 7.30pm-8.00pm

Ministers of the Word

The new 2026 rotas are now available in the Sacristy together with St. Paul Sunday Missal – please pick up your rota and Missal as soon as possible

Ministers of the Eucharist

The new 2026 rotas are available in the Sacristy – please pick up your rota as soon as possible

Divine Mercy Conference in RDS Dublin 2026

A coach will travel from the Old Magnet Cinema, Dundalk to the RDS in Dublin on Saturday 28th Feb 2026. For further info contact: Laurena 085-1833110

Outdoor Crib at “Bethany”

All are welcome to visit the outdoor Crib at Bethany 34, Point Road, Dundalk for the New Year

Charitable Donations Scheme Jan '24 – Dec '24

The Parish recently received €32,259.00 from the Revenue Commissioners from the Charitable Donations Scheme 2024. Sincere thanks to all who participated in the Scheme. We would encourage parishioners to use their Envelopes for their contributions as it is only on Envelope contributions the Scheme is calculated

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

1 - Groundsman - Cooley closing date 11.01.26
2 - Environmental workers - Cooley closing date 11.01.26
1 - Environmental worker - Carlingford closing date 11.01.26
Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Church Gate Collection

This weekend - St. Vincent de Paul
Next weekend - Epilepsy Ireland

Cooley Zoom Bingo

Cooley Zoom Bingo re-commences on Wednesday evening 7th January 2026 at 7.30pm sharp
Selling books: €6 (5page book) Mary Clerkin, Dympna Woods, Linda Halpenny, Padraig O'Connor, Mulligan's shop, Omeath and Cecelia Murphy, Lordship

Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Morning

Coffee morning in Rathabbey Community Centre every Wednesday morning at 10.30am – all welcome!

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group will re-open in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley every Thursday morning from 10.00am – 11.30am in the New Year. For more info phone 087-9721930

Monthly Carboot Sale – Today Sunday 4th January 2026

Monthly carboot sale on first Sunday of each month at St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley A91 DD1F organized by McDonnell family in aid of North Louth Hospice and Homecare. Phone 087-2236124

Cooley Credit Union Limited – A.G.M.

Cooley Credit Union Limited AGM will take place in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley on Tuesday 20th January 2026 at 7.30pm sharp. Free draw for all members attending the AGM on the night!

Glenmore Athletic Club

Glenmore Athletic Club are hosting Operation Bushformation 2026 on Monday 5th January for 4 weeks. There's something for everyone! Teenagers 16yr – 19yr old's free

Be Safe! Be Seen!

We would appeal to all pedestrians using our roads at this time of year to please wear High Viz clothing!!