

Cooley Parish Bulletin

Third Sunday of Easter – 19th April 2026

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Quietness by Rumi

Inside this new love, die.
Your way begins on the other side.
Become the sky.
Take an axe to the prison wall.
Escape.
Walk out like someone suddenly born into color.
Do it now.
You're covered with thick cloud.
Slide out the side. Die,
And be quiet.
Quietness is the surest sign that you've died.
Your old like was a frantic running from silence.
The speechless full moon comes out now.

Recently Deceased

Liz Keenan, Castletowncooley
Leonie Murphy, Dublin and Loughrea
Bridie Muckian, Dundalk
Katrina Loughran, Dundalk
Alan Murray, Cavan
Michael Kenna, Birmingham

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	18 th Apr	7.00pm	Robbie, Mary, Robert and Dennis Marks, Colm Duffy and Dave Sellers Edward and Sheila Doherty and dec'd family members John and Annie Doran and dec'd family members
Tuesday	21 st Apr	10.00am	No Mass
Thursday	23 rd Apr	10.00am	Private Intention
Saturday	25 th Apr	11.00am	First Holy Communion
		7.00pm	Claire Hanlon Patsy and Marion Farrell and dec'd family members Paddy and Betty Callan and Paddy Duffy

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	19 th Apr	10.00am	Forgotten Souls
Thursday	23 rd Apr	8.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	26 th Apr	10.00am	People of the Parish

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	19 th Apr	11.30am	Christopher Murphy Owen Farnon Stephen and Angela Malone and dec'd family members
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Monday	20 th Apr	8.00pm	Private Intention
Tuesday	21 st Apr	7.30pm	Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Wednesday	22 nd Apr	10.00am	James Mulligan and dec'd family members, Willville
Friday	24 th Apr	10.00am	Private Intention
Sunday	26 th Apr	11.30am	Sean Kane Owenie and Ellen McGuigan and Joe and Mary Harvey Michael and Mary Gregory and dec'd family, Templetown Kenneth and Marcella Hughes

First Holy Communion

Boher children Saturday 25th April at 11am
 Monksland & Rathcor children Saturday 23rd May at 11am
 Mullaghbuoy children Sunday 24th May at 10am

Confirmation

Saturday 2nd May at 11am in Grange Church

Cemetery Mass and Blessing of Graves 2026

Grange cemetery – Sunday 7th June at 11.30am
 Boher cemetery – Saturday 25th July at 7.00pm
 Cill Mhuire cemetery – Saturday 15th August

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 21st April 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

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

Pilgrimage to Lough Derg – May 2026

One day retreats offer a programme of prayer – Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday Monday. Adm €50. Bus fee depending on numbers – booking essential. For more info contact Laurena 085-1833110

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Synod of Bishops in Ireland is set to take place on 31st May at Knock Shrine. Chief celebrant and Homilist: Archbishop Eamon Martin. Bus will depart from Dundalk – enquiries to: Laurena 085-1833110

Pilgrimage to Garabandal, Spain

Monday 15th June to Friday 19th June – flying via Aer Lingus. Pilgrims have to book their own flight Dublin to Bilbao. Accommodation, bus transfers, tour guide and full board €470 pps or single room €570 – everyone welcome. For more info contact: Laurena 085-1833110

Pilgrimage to Lisieux – 18th -21st September 2026

€795 includes flights, coaching, full religious programme, all dinners and some lunches. Phone 057-9355050

Mission Awareness – Sincere thanks

Fr. Tommy Faherty, SMA Dromantine wish to thank the Parishioners of Cooley for your tremendous generosity in support of missionary work. Total amount donated was €1,352.00 – wishing all every_blessing!

Deposit on Return with Gratitude Scheme

Parishioners needed to help with Deposit on Return with Gratitude Scheme by taking a bag of bottles and cans to be returned for deposit. A simple rota can be organized if a few volunteers are available so that no one person is overburdened. If you can help, please contact Eugene 087-2824802 or speak to any member of the Parish Pastoral Council.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

SVP Dundalk is currently seeking new Home Visitation Volunteers to support individuals and families across Dundalk and surrounding areas. Volunteering typically involves just a couple of hours per week, with full training and ongoing guidance provided by experienced members. Expressions of interest from new volunteers warmly welcome. Phone 087-6386885

Trocaire Lenten Appeal

Returns to date €4776.00

Please return any outstanding Trocaire boxes as soon as possible

Church Gate Collection

This weekend - Monksland N.S. Parent's Association

Next weekend - Cooley Peninsula Men's Shed

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

2 - Environmental workers - Cooley closing date 15.05.26

1 - Groundsman - Cooley closing date 15.05.26

1 - Environmental worker - C'ford closing date 15.05.26

Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Carlingford/Omeath Red Cross – Social

Carlingford/Omeath Red Cross Social in Grand Central Hotel, Omeath this Sunday 19th April from 4pm–7pm. Music by Kevin Kearney – all welcome – take a friend!

Cooley Zoom Bingo

Cooley Zoom Bingo every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm sharp. Selling books: €6 (5page book) Mary Clerkin, Dymrna Woods, Linda Halpenny, Pdraig 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, Toddler and Baby Group

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

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

Winning Nos: 9; 17; 27; 32; not won - next week's Jackpot €6,200

Cooley Farming Community Club

Calling all farmers over 65yr + in Cooley Peninsula to come along every Friday morning in Cooley Kickham's GFC from Friday 24th April to Friday 12th June from 10am to 12noon – aims to provide a social space for farmers to meet up and interact and to maintain better social connections. Weekly guest speakers on farming and health related topics. Light refreshments provided. Entry is free but booking is required.

Contact: 042-9389824 to book a place