

Cooley Parish Bulletin

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2nd August 2026

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Inner Circle *by John Moriarty*

Stranger sometimes than the yellow crotchet
of glimpses that civilize the dark,
or the shelter of voices who stall the dead
silence that longs to return to stone,
stranger is the heart,
a different scripture,
weighed down by thoughts of Gods
who will never emerge, to recommend
one way above another to anywhere,
lest they distract from the festival
of vivid presence, where journeys are not
stretched over distance, and time
is beyond the fatality of before and
after, and elsewhere and otherwise
do not intrude on day or night.

Recently Deceased

Robert and Kathleen Marks, Ballagan
Nellie Toner, nee McCoy, Newtownhamilton & formerly of Millgrange

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	1 st Aug at	7.00pm	Kathleen Carr, Dundalk Pat Hanlon and dec'd family members, Ballagan
Tuesday	4 th Aug at	10.00am	Tom Kavanagh and Sylvia McClenahan
Thursday	6 th Aug at	10.00am	Special Intention
Saturday	8 th Aug at	7.00pm	Tess Treanor, Michael and Mary Jane Carron and Mary Sorohan Tommy Clarke Mary Cosgrove Special Birthday Remembrance

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	2 nd Aug at	10.00am	Private Intention
Thursday	6 th Aug at	8.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	9 th Aug at	10.00am	People of the Parish

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	2 nd Aug at	11.30am	Sean O'Connor, Grange Tommy Donnelly, Templetown Paddy, Maureen, Jack and Brigid Ferguson and dec'd family members Felix and Brigid McCoy and dec'd family members, Millgrange
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Monday	3 rd Aug at	8.00pm	Private Intention
Wednesday	5 th Aug at	10.00am	Private Intention
Friday	7 th Aug at	8.00pm	James and Paddy Callan and dec'd family members, Castletowncooley
Sunday	9 th Aug at	11.30am	Mary O'Hanlon, Irish Grange Tommy and Mary Brigid Finnegan and dec'd family members and Eugene Mooney Hilda Hughes, Bellurgan

Cemetery Mass and Blessing of Graves 2026

Cill Mhuire cemetery – Saturday 15th August

Rosary at Lady Well

Rosary at Lady Well on Saturday 15th August at 6.30pm

Friday is the First Friday

Canon Malachy will visit the old and housebound on Friday 7th August in all areas. If you have a relative, friend or neighbour that would like Canon Malachy to visit them, please phone the Parish Office with their name and address (042-9397617)

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 every Sunday evening from 7.30pm-8.00pm. Volunteers required to help Divine Mercy Group. Enquiries: 085-1833110

One Day Retreat on Lough Derg

One Day Retreat on Lough Derg on Saturday 29th August - A day of reflection. Admission fee €50 on to island. Bus fare – depending on numbers. Everyone welcome. Enquiries: Laurena 085-1833110

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

1 - Cleaner - Cooley closing date 13.08.26
1 – Environmental worker – Cooley closing date 13.08.26
1 – Environmental worker – C'ford closing date 11.09.26
Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Church Gate Collection

This weekend - St. Vincent de Paul

Part-Time Certificate in Religious Education

ATU St Angelas is inviting applications for the following programme beginning Autumn 2026:

Part-time Certificate in Religious Education for Primary School with online delivery. The programme is open to: Qualified primary school teachers; Qualified post-primary school teachers who wish to transfer to primary school teaching. Parents, sacramental preparation teams and parish catechists who have a specific interest in primary religious education may also apply.

Closing date 14.08.26

For more info contact: mary.kearns@atu.ie

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.

ALONE

ALONE provides many services to Older People in your area to enable them to stay living at home for longer. ALONE recruits, trains and supports Volunteers for two services:

If interested please contact Rachel 086-8249308 or email Rachel.christmas@alone.ie

Youth 2000 Summer Festival

Calling all young people aged 16yrs – 35yrs! Join the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare from 13th – 16th August. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Mass, music, prayer and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome!

To register: <https://youth2000.ie/> or [@Youth2000Ireland](https://twitter.com/Youth2000Ireland)

No Cooley Zoom Bingo

There will be **NO Cooley Zoom** Bingo during the month of August. Next Zoom Bingo will be on Wednesday 2nd September at 7.30pm sharp. Selling books: €6 (5page book) Mary Clerkin, Dympna 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 – closed until September

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

Winning Nos: 18; 28; 30; 32; not won - next week's Jackpot €9,200

Carboot Sale – today Sunday 2nd August

Carboot sale on first Sunday of each month at St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley A91 DD1F in aid of North Louth Hospice. For more info phone Tina 087-2236124

Glenmore Athletic Club

Carlingford 5k run will be taking place in and around the village on Friday 7th August from 6.30pm-9pm. Your support is appreciated!

Tea/Coffee Morning and Cake Sale

Tea/Coffee morning and Cake Sale in Mullaghbuoy Community Centre on Sunday 9th August from 10am – 1pm. Donations of cakes and buns accepted from 8am on the day. Free raffle on the day. All support welcome! In aid of Carlingford/Omeath Red Cross

Trip to Llandudno, Wales – Pat Keenan Coach Hire

Trip to Llandudno, Wales from 10th – 14th August – staying in the Grand hotel – b/b + dinners – day trip to Chester Oaks. For more info contact Ciaran 087-2865046