

# Cooley Parish Bulletin 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023

## Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### **Bittersweet** by *Joyce Rupp*

Leaving the safe path,  
The smooth road, the marked way,  
I wandered far from it  
On an unsure path, rutted and rough.

Halfway around a small pond  
Not yet frozen solid with December's cold,  
Bittersweet startled me, its vivid red  
Twining around the meandering  
Brambles of a grey sapling.  
Forgotten was the stinging wind on my face  
And the rough land under my feet.

A jubilant discovery of beauty  
On an uncertain road,  
With intuition as my only guide.

### **Recently Deceased**

Brendan McShane, Ardtullybeg  
Paddy Callan, formerly of Castletowncooley who died in Manchester  
Philomena Ferguson, formerly of Castletowncooley who died in Liverpool  
Anthony Joyce, Jenkinstown  
Kay Power, Ashbourne  
Aidan Finnegan, Jonesboro

### **Anniversaries**

#### **Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher**

Saturday	26 <sup>th</sup> Aug at	7.00pm	Gerard and Lily Shields and dec'd family members Patsy and Mary Hanlon
Tuesday	29 <sup>th</sup> Aug at	10.00am	Private Intention
Thursday	31 <sup>st</sup> Aug at	10.00am	Private Intention
Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sep at	7.00pm	Seamus McParland Jim and Tess Rice and dec'd family members

#### **Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy**

Sunday	27 <sup>th</sup> Aug at	10.00am	Jim Savage
Thursday	31 <sup>st</sup> Aug at	8.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sep at	10.00am	People of the Parish

### **Church of St. James, Grange**

Sunday	27 <sup>th</sup> Aug at	11.30am	James, Katie, Seamus and Michael Murphy, Templetown James McCormack, South Commons and dec'd family members
Monday	28 <sup>th</sup> Aug at	8.00pm	Private Intention
Wednesday	30 <sup>th</sup> Aug at	10.00am	Private Intention
Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sep at	8.00pm	Tommy Thornton
Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sep at	11.30am	Brendan McGrath Michael Boyle and dec'd family members, Irish Grange

### **Friday is the First Friday**

Fr. Malachy will visit the old and housebound on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September in all areas

If you have a relative, neighbour or friend that would like Fr. Malachy to visit them, please contact Parochial House 042-9376105 or Parish Office 042-9397617 with their name and telephone number

### **'We Are His Hands' - a New Cooley Parish Project**

#### **Work commenced on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June and Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

Work is continuing on our Parish Project every Friday evening from 7pm and Saturday morning from 10.00am.

As expected, it is labour intensive – if you can use a chisel, hammer, shovel, saw or a wheelbarrow and if you can spare some time, no matter what your skill set, we would like to hear from you. Please call the Parochial House 042-9376105 or the Parish Office 042-9397617.

Big shout out to all clubs, organisations, groups, etc... we would love if you got your group to give us a "dig out" at this first phase of the project

Your help is greatly appreciated!

Together we can make a real difference!

### **Baptisms (by arrangement)**

Baptisms will be celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 commencing on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Everyone welcome

### **St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh – 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Archbishop Eamon invites you to a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Cathedral this Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 11am. Cardinal Timothy Dolan from St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, will be the main celebrant

### **Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023**

Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 28<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October from Omeath. Cost €775 includes full board, excursions and transfers by coach to airport. Everybody welcome. For further information please contact 042-9375281; 086-1072222 or 085-1833110

### **Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**

17<sup>th</sup> Sept to 24<sup>th</sup> September – coach departs Magnet, Dundalk at 6am to Dublin Airport for 9.25am flight to Zadar. On arrival at 1.30pm (12.30pm our time) coach transfer to Hotel Mica Medjugorje arr approx. 6pm. Host is Peter (phone whatsapp 003876332537). Fr. Malachy Conlon, Spiritual Director.

Anyone wishing to go with the group will book their own flight (Ryanair as detailed). Accommodation, B/B and coach transfers is arranged by leader. No payments required until arrival to Medjugorje. A few seats still available. For more info contact: Arthur 087-9420709

### **Charismatic Prayer Meeting**

All are welcome to the weekly Prayer Meeting which will resume on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September from 8pm – 9.30pm in “Bethany” House, 34, Point Road, Dundalk. A91 WOC9. Telephone 042-9331602

### **St. Patrick Centre, Downpatrick**

Walk with singer-songwriter Dana in the footsteps of St. Patrick with pilgrim guides Martina Purdy and Elaine Kelly on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. For more information telephone 048-44619000 or [www.saintpatrickcentre.com](http://www.saintpatrickcentre.com)

### **Charitable Donations Scheme 2022**

We are presently working on the claim for year ended 31.12.2022 and we would appreciate if any Parishioner making Envelope contributions to the Parish, who pays PAYE, would sign the relevant form at your convenience. Your participation in the Scheme is greatly appreciated

### **Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies**

1 – Cleaner - Cooley	closing date 01/09/2023
1 – Caretaker - Cooley	closing date 01/09/2023
1 – Caretaker - Omeath	closing date 01/09/2023

Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or email [cooleyceltd@gmail.com](mailto:cooleyceltd@gmail.com)

### **Church Gate Collection**

This weekend	-	Carlingford/Omeath Red Cross
Next weekend	-	St. Vincent de Paul

### **Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Mornings**

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

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

Winning Nos. 3; 4; 16; 30; - not won - Next week's Jackpot €13,600

### **Cooley Community Alert Meeting**

Community Alert meeting in Cooley Kickham's Complex on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm. Gardai will be present to answer any concerns and also to educate on Crime Prevention

### **Cooley Zoom Bingo**

There will be NO ZOOM BINGO during the month of August – re-commencing on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Sept

**Car boot Sale**

Car boot Sale at St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley this Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August from 10am to 3pm.

€20 per stall – tables available for indoor stalls

WhatsApp, text or call Tina 087-2236124 to book your stall.

In aid of North Louth Hospice in memory of Tommy McDonnell

**Irish Dancing Classes**

Irish Dancing classes resume in St. Mary's Hall, Cooley on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Newcomers welcome. For further information contact Fiona 087-6812939

**Carlingford Bridge Club**

Carlingford Bridge Club commencing Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September – new Bridge members welcome. For further enquiries please contact: Marian 087-9741432

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas**

Last remaining places for special Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas 2023 – ex Dublin taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives with full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day.

For more info contact: James Treacy 0035361921470 or [jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com](mailto:jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com)