

Cooley Parish Bulletin

Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection – 5th April 2026

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The Day of Resurrection by St. John of Damascus

Earth, tell it out abroad the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God.

From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over,
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light;
and listening to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful!
Let earth the song begin!
Let the round world keep triumph,
and all that is therein!
Let all things seen and unseen
their notes in gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord hath risen,
our joy that hath no end.

Recently Deceased

Liz Keenan, Castletowncooley
Leonie Murphy, Dublin and Loughrea
Katrina Loughran, Dundalk
Alan Murray, Cavan
Ita O'Reilly, Carlingford
Betty O'Connor, Bellurgan

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	4 th Apr	8.00pm	Easter Vigil – Pascal Fire and Blessing of New Easter Water
Tuesday	7 th Apr	10.00am	No Mass
Thursday	9 th Apr	10.00am	No Mass
Saturday	11 th Apr	7.00pm	Michael John, Ciss and Pat Hanlon Una Murphy and Andy and Una Exposito Kess and Declan Westveer and dec'd members of Westveer and McCourt families

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	5 th Apr	10.00am	Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord
Thursday	9 th Apr	8.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	12 th Apr	10.00am	Thomas O'Neill and dec'd family members, Glenmore

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	5 th Apr	6.00am	Dawn Mass in Cill Mhuire
		11.30am	Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord
Monday	6 th Apr	8.00pm	No Mass
Wednesday	8 th Apr	10.00am	No Mass
Friday	10 th Apr	10.00am	No Mass
Sunday	12 th Apr	11.30am	Matt and May Campbell Bernard, Bridie and Brendan Rafferty, Rathcor Patrick, Elizabeth and Joseph Savage Peter and Mary Dullaghan and dec'd family members and Deirdre Finnegan Seamus Hearty Joseph and Angela Yeates Peter, Jean, Christina, Bernard, Patrick and Mary Coyle

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

Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil at 8.00pm

Easter Vigil in Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher - Lighting the Pascal Fire and the New Easter Water will be blessed

Easter Sunday – Mass of the Resurrection

Dawn Mass in Cill Mhuire at 6.00am
(Breakfast rolls served afterwards)
Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy at 10.00am
Church of St. James, Grange at 11.30am

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

A new pilgrimage has been introduced in Lough Derg where pilgrims can stay overnight culminating in two days being spent on the island. You are allowed to wear footwear! 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

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

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

4 - Environmental workers - Cooley	closing date 24.04.26
1 - Groundsman - Cooley	closing date 26.04.26
1 - Cleaner worker - Cooley	closing date 25.04.26

Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Cooley Community Playgroup Limited - Recruiting

Recruiting for a room assistant 22.5hrs per week from 9am – 1.30pm Monday to Friday. Applicants need to hold at least Level 5 qualification in childcare. Please email Carol at ccpgroup@eircom.net with C.V.

Drink Tea for MND – Sincere Thanks

The Sheridan family are overwhelmed and grateful to all who supported their recent fundraiser for MND. Sincere thanks to all who baked, donated and helped in any way to make it such a success to raise €4,000

Cooley Zoom Bingo

Cooley Zoom Bingo every Wednesday evening 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 every Thursday from 10am – 11.30am

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

Winning Nos: 7; 23; 24; 32; not won - next week's Jackpot €5,800

Carboot Sale – Today Sunday 5th April – Easter Sunday

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

John White Memorial Poker Classic

Mullaghbuoy Community Centre will host its Annual fundraiser Poker Classic on Friday 10th April at 8.30pm. Tickets cost €20 from Committee members or pay at the door. Refreshments and food will be served.

Any outstanding tickets from cancelled event in November will be accepted on the night!

Mullaghbuoy National School – Bake Sale

Mullaghbuoy Parents Association are holding a Bake Sale next Sunday 12th April from 10.00am – 2.00pm in Mullaghbuoy Community Centre. Come along and enjoy tea/coffee, cakes, fun, games and raffle prizes.

Easter Blessings 2026

Together with Fr. John and Fr. Damien, I wish all our parishioners and your families every possible blessing at this Eastertime. May our celebrating the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ fill us with fresh hope.

Canon Malachy