

Cooley Parish Bulletin 3rd September 2023

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Inner Circle *by John O'Donohue*

Strange sometimes that the yellow crochet
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

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	2 nd Sep at	7.00pm	Seamus McParland Jim and Tess Rice and dec'd family members
Tuesday	5 th Sep at	10.00am	Stephen and Dan McGrane
Thursday	7 th Sep at	10.00am	Private Intention
Saturday	9 th Sep at	7.00pm	Joe and Bridie Murphy and Margaret Ann Cawley John and Maura Sheelan, Rathcor

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	3 rd Sep at	10.00am	People of the Parish
Thursday	7 th Sep at	8.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	10 th Sep at	10.00am	James and Gerard McGuigan and Paddy McGinnity

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	3 rd Sep at	11.30am	Brendan McGrath Michael Boyle and dec'd family members, Irish Grange
Monday	4 th Sep at	8.00pm	Private Intention
Wednesday	6 th Sep at	10.00am	Private Intention
Friday	8 th Sep at	10.00am	Ann Carroll
Sunday	10 th Sep at	11.30am	Joe and Rose McCormack and dec'd family members Declan Maguire Geraldine Cunningham, nee Rafferty

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

Work commenced on Friday 16th June and Saturday 17th 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 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

Divine Mercy Prayer Chaplet

Divine Mercy Prayer Chaplet in Church of St. James, Grange commencing this Sunday evening 3rd Sept from 7.30pm-8.00pm and every Sunday evening. Everyone welcome

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

17th Sept to 24th 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

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023

Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 28th September to 2nd 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

Charismatic Prayer Meeting

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

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

First Sunday of the Month at 3pm (this Sunday 3rd September) with Confessions at 2.30pm featuring Holy Hour, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Anointing of the Sick

Season of Creation 1st September – 4th October

Season of Creation – Pope Francis calls us to be just in every situation, to harmonise with creation and be mindful of the victims of climate injustice

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 23rd September. For more information telephone 048-44619000 or www.saintpatrickcentre.com

Deep Appreciation

Fr. Giuseppe Pollio would like to express his deep appreciation for the welcome the Parish of Cooley gave to the Redemptoris Mater Seminarians recently and sincere thanks for your generosity and support for their work

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 21/09/2023
1 – Caretaker - Cooley closing date 21/09/2023
1 – Caretaker - Omeath closing date 21/09/2023
Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or email cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Church Gate Collection

This 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. 12; 16; 26; 32; - not won - Next week's Jackpot €13,800

Cooley Zoom Bingo

ZOOM BINGO – re-commencing on Wednesday 6th September at 7.30pm. Selling books €6 (5page book) Dymrna Woods, Mary Clerkin, Mulligan's shop, Omeath and Cecelia Murphy, Lordship

Sincere Thanks

The McDonnell family wish to sincerely thank all who supported their recent Car boot Sales in aid of North Louth Hospice and Homecare which raised €3355 – special thanks to Barry's Shop, Murphy's Garage, Village Pharmacy, Charlotte's Place and James Francis Hedging who sponsored the raffle prizes

Irish Dancing Classes

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

Carlingford Bridge Club

Carlingford Bridge Club commencing Wednesday 13th 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.

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