

Cooley Parish Bulletin

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 18th October 2026

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A Bird came down the Walk by Emily Dickinson

A Bird came down the Walk –
He did not know I saw –
He bit an angle-worm in halves
And ate the fellow, raw,

And then he drank a Dew
From a convenient Grass,
And then hopped sidewise to the Wall
To let a Beetle pass –

He glanced with rapid eyes
That hurried all around, -
They looked like frightened Beads, I thought –
He stirred his Velvet Head.

Like one in danger, Cautious,
I offered him a Crumb,
And he unrolled his feathers
And rowed him softer home –

Than Oars divide the Ocean,
Too silver for a seam –
Or Butterflies, off Bank of Noon
Leap, splashless as they swim.

Recently Deceased

Rev Fr. Mark O'Hagan, P.P. Ardee and Collon
Bernadette Mooney, nee Ryan, Garristown, Co. Meath and formerly of Grange
Carmel Mackin, Kentucky, U.S.A. formerly of Knockbridge
Pat Rice, Waterford and formerly of Jenkinstown
James Michael Muth, Arizona, U.S.A

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	17 th Oct	7.00pm	Brendan Rafferty, Boher Fr. Ray Rafferty, Peter and Kathleen Reavey and dec'd family Seamus Clerkin
Tuesday	20 th Oct	10.00am	No Mass
Thursday	22 nd Oct	10.00am	No Mass
Saturday	24 th Oct	7.00pm	Eddie and Sheila Doherty and dec'd family members

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	18 th Oct	10.00am	John Traynor
Thursday	22 nd Oct	8.00pm	Owen, Rosella and Sean McCann
Sunday	25 th Oct	10.00am	Forgotten Souls

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	18 th Oct 11.30am	Andreas, Andrew, Maimie and Hugh Farrell
Monday	19 th Oct 8.00pm	Private Intention
Tuesday	20 th Oct 7.30pm	Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Wednesday	21 st Oct 10.00am	Private Intention
Friday	23 rd Oct 10.00am	Private Intention
Sunday	25 th Oct 11.30am	Angela McGrath and dec'd family members, Rathcor Francis Carron Joseph and Angela Yeates Ann Nadal M.M. Special Intention Birthday Remembrance

First Holy Communion 2027

Monksland & Rathcor children Saturday 10th April at 11am

Mullaghbuoy children Sunday 11th April at 10am

Boher children Saturday 24th April at 11am

Confirmation 2027

Saturday 17th April at 11am in Grange Church

Today is World Mission Sunday

Missio Ireland thank you for your prayers and financial support

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

Welcome new Altar Servers

We warmly welcome the new Altar Servers in our three Churches. We thank the children for volunteering and sincerely thank the parents for their co-operation.

We also thank the "Retiring Altar Servers" for their service over the past years

Boher Cemetery

Work to improve appearance at the cemetery at Boher has commenced and we hope will be completed as soon as possible. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused but will make every effort to keep it to a minimum

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. If anyone would like a book to follow Divine Mercy Chaplet at home phone 0851833110

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 on Tuesday 20th October at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome

Parish November List of the Dead

Parish November Dead List are available at the back of each Church. Please complete and return for remembrance in all Masses on Monday 2nd November – Feast of All Souls and throughout the year

Annual Mass of Remembrance for Family Dead

Annual Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated in Church of St, James, Grange on Friday 27th November at 8pm. We invite each family who lost a loved one during the past year to attend and pray for all the family. We also invite anyone who has lost a family member in another Parish and would like them remembered in our Mass to hand in their name and address to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

A lighted candle will be placed on the Altar in memory of each loved one

Cooley Lourdes Hospitalite Committee

Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place in May 2027. Anyone intending to travel on the pilgrimage in 2027 can avail of a “Saving Scheme” to cover the cost. Please contact any member of the Committee or the Parish Office 042-9397617 if you would like to save!

Church Gate Collection

This weekend - Cooley Kickhams G.F.C.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service

Support your local Blood Clinic at St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley A91 DD1F on Tuesday 20th October from 3.45pm-8pm – give blood, save lives! We count on you! Call 1800 222111 to book appointment.

Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood

Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood – anyone interested in joining a discernment group to consider aspects of the Diocesan Priesthood are invited to contact Fr. Barry Matthews, Armagh Archdiocese Vocations Director at armaghpriest@gmail.com or visit www.armaghpriest.com.

Please encourage anyone who you know to contact Fr. Barry for a confidential chat about where they feel God is calling them to!

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.

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

1 – Groundsperson - Cooley	closing date 20.11.26
1 – Environmental worker – Carlingford	closing date 20.10.26
1 – Administration worker – Omeath	closing date 20.10.26

Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Cooley Community Playgroup Limited

Cooley Community Playgroup are looking for a room assistant 22.5hr per week 9am till 1.30pm Monday to Friday. Anybody interested in applying for this position, needs to hold at least a Level 5 qualification in childcare. Please email Carol at ccpgroup@eircom.net with C.V.

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

Winning Nos: 10; 11; 27; 30; - not won – next week's Jackpot €6,200

Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Morning

Coffee morning in Rathabbey Community Centre every Wednesday morning at 10.30am – all welcome!

Cooley Zoom Bingo

Next Zoom Bingo every Wednesday at 7.30pm sharp. Selling books: €6 (5page book) Mary Clerkin, Dymrna Woods, Linda Halpenny, Padraig O'Connor, Mulligan's shop, Omeath & Cecelia Murphy, Lordship

Cooley Parent, Toddler and Baby Group

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group in St. Mary's Hall, Cooley – every Thursday morning

Cooley Youth Club

In Cooley Kickham's G.F.C. complex every Friday evening from 8pm – 10pm

Congratulations

Congratulations to Cooley u-16 boys on winning the Championship last weekend. Also congratulations to Cooley u-14 girls winning their Championship and Cooley Junior Ladies on winning the Reserve Cup

Cooley Men's Group

In Cooley Kickhams GFC. Clubrooms every Friday at 10am to 12noon. Light refreshments served. Register your interest at agefriendly@louthcoco.ie or phone 042 9324281

Cooley Connect Well

Physio-led active movement classes in Cooley Parochial Hall every Wednesday morning – class starts at 10.45am-11.30am followed by cuppa tea and an optional walk. For more info contact: 0833924117

Be Safe! Be Seen!

We would appeal to all pedestrians using our roads at this time of year to please wear High Viz clothing!!