

## Cooley Parish Bulletin

### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025

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|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| Canon Malachy Conlon   | 042-9376105                                                        | Rev Fr. Stephen Duffy       | 042-9371327                                                  |
| Rev Fr. Magnus Ogbanna | 042-9373111                                                        | Rev Fr. Christopher McElwee | 042-9375198                                                  |
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| Parish Office:         | 042-9397617                                                        | Follow us on Facebook       |                                                              |

#### Learning *by Kenneth Steven*

Somewhere it dripped, time ticked –  
every second seemed dissected.  
One of twenty something sculptures out of white  
toes touching the polished rim,  
I shivered thin and white –  
the whole place made of coldest stone,  
carved from marble a hundred years before.

Far away at the deep-end the master paced  
raging about inter-house galas  
and the falling of birthdays.

I listened and swam away, to somewhere  
far beyond the silliness of this,  
to somewhere I was free.  
I never heard my own surname sworn at;  
I didn't see his face hating my own,  
the air sore with shouting.

#### Recently Deceased

Gwendolyn Marks, Naas and formerly of Templetown  
Donna McGuinness, Deerpark  
George Crowe (Jnr), Tullyvin, Co. Cavan  
Nicky Mackin, Phillipstown, Dunleer

#### Anniversaries

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

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| Saturday | 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | 7.00pm  | Jack, Lizzie and Tom Marks and dec'd family members                               |
| Tuesday  | 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | 10.00am | No Mass                                                                           |
| Thursday | 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | 10.00am | No Mass                                                                           |
| Saturday | 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct | 7.00pm  | Daniel, Rose Ann and Briege O'Rourke and Cathy Maguire<br>John Callan, Millgrange |

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

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| Sunday   | 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | 10.00am | People of the Parish |
| Thursday | 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | 8.00pm  | No Mass              |
| Sunday   | 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct | 10.00am | Private Intention    |

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

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|-----------|----------------------|---------|----------------------------------------|
| Sunday    | 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | 11.30am | Thomas (Caul) McGuinness               |
| Monday    | 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | 8.00pm  | No Mass                                |
| Wednesday | 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | 10.00am | No Mass                                |
| Friday    | 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct | 10.00am | No Mass                                |
| Sunday    | 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct | 11.30am | Jim Clerkin<br>Angela McGrath, Rathcor |

**Welcome Fr. Damien Fuh**

We extend a warm welcome to Fr. Damien Fuh from Cameroon who will be ministering in our Parish for the next month

**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

**Parish Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration**

Parish Eucharistic Adoration every Friday morning in Church of St. James, Grange from 10.30am – 12.30pm. Everyone welcome during this time to spend a short time in prayer and adoration

**Divine Mercy Prayer Chaplet**

Divine Mercy Prayer Chaplet in Church of St. James, Grange this Sunday evening from 7.30pm-8.00pm

**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 21<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Canonisation of St. Oliver Plunkett**

Parishioners are invited to gather in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm for "Sung Evening Prayer".

This liturgy will be enriched by the participation of Choir members from across the Diocese and the celebration will be recorded for the BBC and later streamed. Members of Parish choirs and congregation are encouraged to take part, especially on 10<sup>th</sup> October, so that together we may honour St. Oliver with prayer and song.

Furthermore, on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October, Archbishop Eamon will celebrate Mass at 11am in the Cathedral on the exact date of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Oliver's Canonisation.

**Remembrance Mass for missing people**

A Remembrance Mass for missing people and their families will be held in St. Peter's Church, West Street, Drogheda this Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin.

This is a poignant ceremony to pray for missing people, for comfort and strength for families and to guide all search efforts towards their successful return. Prayers will also be offered for Irish people missing abroad and pray their families suffering will end.

**Annual Novena in honour of St. Gerard Majella – Theme of Novena is Pilgrims of Hope**

Annual Novena in honour of St. Gerard Majella takes place in St. Joseph's Redemptorist Church, Dundalk from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October with eight sessions each day.

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct there will be a special blessing for the Sick together with the Sacrament of Anointing. On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct there will be a special blessing for families at all sessions.

**Church Gate Collection**

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| This weekend | - | St. Vincent de Paul               |
| Next weekend | - | Cooley & District Community Alert |

### **Cooley Lourdes Hospitalite Committee**

Next Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

Anyone intending to travel on the pilgrimage in 2026 can avail of a "Saving Scheme" which will commence in September 2025 to cover their fare. Please contact any member of the Committee or Parish Office 042-9397617 if you would like to save for your fare

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

2 - Environmental workers - Cooley closing date 13.10.25  
2 - Environmental workers - Carlingford closing date 13.10.25  
1 - Environmental worker – Omeath closing date 13.10.25  
Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or email [cooleyceltd@gmail.com](mailto:cooleyceltd@gmail.com)

### **Employment Opportunities**

If you're unemployed due to accident, illness, disability or injury – EmployAbility Service Louth is here to support you finding employment. Phone 042-9386718 or 087-6386885

### **Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Morning**

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

### **Cooley Zoom Bingo**

Cooley Zoom Bingo every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm. Selling books €6 (5page book) Mary Clerkin, Dymrna Woods, Linda Halpenny, Pdraig O'Connor, Mulligan's Shop, Omeath, Cecelia Murphy, Lordship.

### **Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group**

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group –has re-opened in St. Mary's Hall, Cooley every Thursday from 10am – 11.30am. All new parents, grandparents and childminders welcome to come along. Spread the word to anyone you think may be interested or new to the area! Contact 087-9721930 to be added to the WhatsApp group for updates

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

Winning Nos: 5; 22; 23; 29; - no won – Next week's Jackpot €8,200

### **Launch of book "Gold dust in these hills" by Anne Carroll**

The book preserves the memories/stories spoken from the aged lips of many of the oldest residents of the Cooley Peninsula. An evening when our community gathers to celebrate and acknowledge those who walked this land before us – on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30pm in Four Seasons Hotel, Carlingford. All welcome! For enquiries contact Anne 086-3938289

### **Line Dancing Classes in Cooley Hall**

Line dancing classes for beginners at 7.00pm every Tuesday + seasoned dancers from 7.45pm – no partner needed – in Cooley Parochial Hall A91 DD1F

### **Monthly Carboot Sale – This Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October**

Carboot sale on first Sunday of each month at St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley A91 DD1F organized by McDonnell family in aid of North Louth Hospice.

**Glenmore Athletic Club**

Glenmore Athletic Club are holding a fundraising draw on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October. 10 great prizes to be won! Tickets €10 on sale from all members. This fundraiser is for the continued development of facilities at Bush. Your support is always greatly appreciated

**Carlingford Heritage Centre**

Concert in Carlingford Heritage Centre on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm. Irish tenor Dominic McGorian. With special guests Cor Chairlinne. Tickets €20 available from Heritage Centre

**Cuan Mhuire Caife**

Cuan Mhuire's new café is now officially open to the public Monday – Saturday 10am – 2pm. All welcome at Cuan Mhuire's new venture at 200 Dublin Road, Newry, Co. Down BT35 8RL. Phone 048-30849010