

Cooley Parish Bulletin

Fourth Sunday of Lent – 15th March 2026

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Out of the Ordinary by *Kenneth Steven*

Out of the ordinary comes love
big enough to build a house that's open
to those who yearn that God might enter in,
and breathe light through the dark that we have made.

Out of the ordinary love that spreads
wide her arms, embracing those
left by the side of the road, who've heard
time after time they are not good enough.

Out of the ordinary God that comes
into life not to kill joy but to kindle it, a God
who's crossed out all our wrongs and welcomes us
back home with happiness,
bigger than we ever could believe.

Recently Deceased

Ambrose Ferguson, Muchgrange
Phena Bermingham, (Fr. John's mother) Kilcullen
Betty O'Connor, Bellurgan
Paddy Fearon, Carlingford
Clair Moore, nee Murphy, Ferbane and Templetown

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	14 th Mar	7.00pm	Raymond Hanlon James and Katie Fagan May McGuinness, Irish Grange
Tuesday	17 th Mar	10.00am	Ambrose Ferguson M.M.
Thursday	19 th Mar	10.00am	No Mass
Saturday	21 st Mar	7.00pm	John and Maura Sheelan, Rathcor Peter and Annie Murphy and dec'd family, Whitestown Shore

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	15 th Mar	10.00am	John White, Castletowncooley
Thursday	19 th Mar	8.00pm	Dinny and Margaret Byrne and Josie Donnelly and dec'd members of Donnelly and Murphy families
Sunday	22 nd Mar	10.00am	Jimmy and Bridie Rooney and dec'd family members

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	15 th Mar	11.30am	Alice O'Hagan Mick, Bridie and Kevin Shields and dec'd family members Michael and Mairead McGarrity and Caolan Meegan Jack & Patrick Kearney & dec'd family members, Templetown
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Monday	16 th Mar	8.00pm	John, Pat and May Mackin and Paddy and Mary Ann Mackin
Wednesday	18 th Mar	10.00am	Ray and Molly Fitzpatrick
Friday	20 th Mar	10.00am	Private Intention
Sunday	22 nd Mar	11.30am	Gerard Murtagh Donal Mulholland Anna England Liam Clifford Maura Carroll, Ballinamara

First Penance

First Penance in Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher on Tuesday 24th March at 7.30pm

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

Tuesday is St. Patrick' Day – Patron of Ireland

A holy day of obligation
 Vigil Mass in Grange Church on Monday at 8pm
 Mass in Boher Church on Tuesday at 10am
 Shamrock will be blessed at both Masses

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

Monthly Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick

There will be NO Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick in March (St. Patrick's Day). Next Healing Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 21st April at 7.30pm

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes May 2026

Pilgrims travelling to Lourdes in May should have their full fare paid this week please!

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

Totus Tuus 2026 Fatima Pilgrimage

Totus Tuus annual pilgrimage to Fatima will take place from 28th Aug to 4th Sept. Cost €915 which includes flights, half-board accommodation, airport transfers and day trips. For info contact: Damien 087-2049048

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.

Task Community Care Alarm System

Would you be interested in CARELINK ALARM SYSTEM in case of any emergency in your home? The cost, installation and monitoring fees are covered by Task Community Care. Enquiries: Laurena St. Vincent de Paul

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 26.03.26
1 - Cleaner worker - Cooley	closing date 25.03.26

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.

Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Morning

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

Peninsula St. Patrick's Day Parade

The Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place on Tuesday 17th March commencing at Old Bush Train Station at 1pm and finishing in the grounds of Cooley Kickham's G.F.C. Patrons can avail of refreshments in the club function room and disco entertainment will be provided for children in the Sport's hall.

For more info contact: Eddie 087-6494965

Drink Tea for MND

Drink Tea for MND in Rathabbey Community House next Sunday 22nd March from 10am – 1.30pm.

Please support. Organised by Sheridan family in memory of their late husband and father Gerry Sheridan R.I.P.

Cooley Zoom Bingo

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

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

Winning Nos: 6; 7; 12; 19; not won - next week's Jackpot €5,200

Glen United Table Quiz

Glen United Table Quiz in Martin's Riverstown this Sunday 15th March

Grange & District Residents' Annual Table Quiz

Annual Table Quiz in Long's Bar, Grange on Friday 20th March at 8pm

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!