

Cooley Parish Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 25th January 2026

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The Freedom of the Moon by Robert Frost

*I've tried the new moon tilted in the air
Above a hazy tree-and-farmhouse cluster
As you might try a jewel in your hair.
I've tried it fine with little breadth in luster,
Alone, or in one ornament combining
With one first-water start almost shining.

I put it in shining anywhere I please.
By walking slowly on some evening later,
I've pulled it from a crate of crooked trees,
And brought it over glossy water, greater,
And dropped it in, and seen the image wallow,
The colour run, all sorts of wonder follow.*

Recently Deceased

Pat McParland, Monksland. Funeral Mass in Grange Church this Sunday at 2.30pm
Liam Oliver, Castletowncooley
Jean Coyle, Irish Grange
Mike Egan, Newry
Breda Tynan, nee Quigley, Mountpleasant

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	24 th Jan at	7.00pm	Bernard Murphy, New Jersey, U.S.A. M.M. Bronagh Crimmins, Newry
Tuesday	27 th Jan at	10.00am	Michael Elmore and Tom, Kevin and Kathleen Boyle
Thursday	29 th Jan at	10.00am	No Mass
Saturday	31 st Jan at	7.00pm	Cait Halpenny Joseph and Ethna McCumiskey and Gloria Benitas Michael, Mary and Brendan Thornton

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	25 th Jan at	10.00am	Sean McCann, Glenmore Liam Woods, Castletowncooley
Thursday	29 th Jan at	8.00pm	Liam Oliver M.M.
Sunday	1 st Feb at	10.00am	Danny Ferguson and dec'd family members

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	25 th Jan at	11.30am	Leo O'Hanlon Tom and Brigid Callan, Castletowncooley Caroline White Mikey Gregory Gavin Morris Niamh and Anna McDonald Special Birthday Intention
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Monday	26 th Jan at	8.00pm	Jean Coyle M.M.
Wednesday	28 th Jan at	10.00am	Private Intention
Friday	30 th Jan at	10.00am	Kevin, Maggie, John and Thomas Maguire and Mary Cosgrove
Sunday	1 st Feb at	11.30am	Mike and Madge Boyle Jimmy and Elizabeth Boyle

Confirmation 2026

Saturday 2nd May at 11am in Church of St. James, Grange

First Holy Communion 2026

Boher children Saturday 25th April at 11am
 Monksland & Rathcor children Saturday 23rd May at 11am
 Mullaghbuoy children Sunday 24th May at 10am

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

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

A Prayer by Telephone

The Sisters of Mercy “Bethany” 34, Point Road, Dundalk welcome any person who may wish to request prayer, especially during these difficult times. All requests are confidential – telephone 042-9331602 – 9am – 9pm daily. One of the Sisters will be happy to listen and pray with you

Cooley Lourdes Hospitalite Committee

The Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Sunday 10th May to Friday 15th May 2026. Anyone interested in travelling on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes should hand in their name to any member of the Cooley Lourdes Committee together with €300 deposit as soon as possible

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Dublin direct to Mostar – Medjugorje (returning via Split) – departing Dundalk Wed 10th June and returning Wed 17th June. Price €845pps. Spiritual Director Fr. Paul Montague. Ph James 087-2202173

Divine Mercy Conference in RDS Dublin 2026

A coach will travel from the Old Magnet Cinema, Dundalk to the RDS in Dublin on Saturday 28th Feb 2026. For further info contact: Laurena 085-1833110

Camino de Santiago de Compostelo

Walk the Camino beginning in Vigo and finishing in Santiago Monday 27th July for 7 nights – over the course of the week, pilgrims will walk approx. 100km and pilgrims will spend the last day in the ancient city of Santiago de Compostela where you will have the opportunity to visit the tomb of St. James the Apostle. For more info contact: 01-8788159 or 048-95680005

Church Gate Collection

Next weekend - St. Vincent de Paul

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

2 - Environmental workers - Cooley	closing date 18.02.26
1 - Groundsman - Cooley	closing date 26.02.26
2 - Environmental workers - Carlingford	closing date 18.02.26

Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Charitable Donations Scheme Jan '24 – Dec '24

The Parish recently received €32,259.00 from the Revenue Commissioners from the Charitable Donations Scheme 2024. Sincere thanks to all who participated in the Scheme. We would encourage parishioners to use their Envelopes for their contributions as it is only on Envelope contributions the Scheme is calculated

Cooley Zoom Bingo

Cooley Zoom Bingo every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm sharp. Selling books: €6 (5page book) Mary Clerkin, Dymrna 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, Baby and Toddler Group

Cooley Parent, Baby and Toddler Group in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley every Thursday morning from 10.00am – 11.30am in the New Year. For more info phone 087-9721930

Bingo Night in aid of Rathcor National School

Bingo night in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley on Friday 30th January – Children's Glow Bingo at 6.30pm €5 per child; Adult Bingo session at 7.40pm books €10. Also raffle. Any enquiries to 087-2466438

Cooley Connect Well

Cooley Connect Well – exercise classes in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley A91 DD1F every Wednesday morning - for info contact 083-3924117

Cooley Connect Well – A.G.M.

Cooley Connect Well A.G.M. will be held on Saturday 7th February at 12.30pm in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley. Everyone welcome

Féile na Tána

Féile na Tána events starting Sunday 25th January – sessions, concerts, ceili, heritage walk, workshops, talk and more celebrating the very best of Irish music, song and dance – spread across Carlingford, Bush, Whitestown, Mullaghbuoy, Mullaghbawn, Forkhill and Lislea.

Jive Classes with Gerard Butler

Jive classes in Cooley Kickham's Complex every Thursday at 8.00pm.

For more info WhatsApp 087-3643410

Linedance Classes

Linedance classes in St. Mary's Parochial, Cooley A91 DD1F every Tuesday – beginners from 7.00pm

Be Safe! Be Seen!

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