

Cooley Parish Bulletin 22nd December 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Love came down at Christmas by Christina Georgina Rossetti

Love came down at Christmas
Love all lovely, love divine,
Love was born at Christmas,
Star and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead,
Love incarnate, love divine;
Worship we our Jesus;
But wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token,
Love shall be yours and love be mine,
Love to God and to all men,
Love for plea and gift and sign.

Recently Deceased

Rev. Fr. Raphael Gallagher, C.Ss.R. Dundalk
Sandra Finnegan, Isle of Man
Brendan Shields, Belfast and Carlingford
Padraic O'Connor, Railway Village, Jenkinstown
Tony Eaton, Bellurgan

Anniversaries

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher

Saturday	21 st Dec	7.00pm	John, James, Annie, Brendan and Francis Murphy Babs McAleavey
Tuesday	24 th Dec	7.00pm	Christmas Eve Vigil
Thursday	26 th Dec	10.00am	No Mass
Saturday	28 th Dec	7.00pm	Stephen McGrath Thomas and Bridie Carroll and dec'd family members Sean and Kathleen Murphy and dec'd family members, Ballagan

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy

Sunday	22 nd Dec	10.00am	Parish List of the Dead
Wednesday	25 th Dec	10.00am	Christmas Day
Thursday	26 th Dec	8.00pm	No Mass
Sunday	29 th Dec	10.00am	People of the Parish

Church of St. James, Grange

Sunday	22 nd Dec	11.30am	Nicholas and Annie Carroll and dec'd family members, Ballug Owen, Kitty and Kieron Woods, Dundalk John and Mary O'Connor and Pat and Una Shields Bernard Murnaghan Jim McSloy M.M.
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Monday	23 rd Dec	8.00pm	Bernard and Norah Carthy and dec'd family members
Tuesday	24 th Dec	9.00pm	Christmas Eve Vigil
Wednesday	25 th Dec	11.30am	Christmas Day
Friday	27 th Dec	10.00am	No Mass
Sunday	29 th Dec	11.30am	Pat, Alice and Rose Ann McShane Nancy Murphy

Christmas 2025

A Christmas prayer for all our parishioners and your families – we pray your spirit is blessed with hope, your hearts are filled with joy and that Christmas brings you many blessings!

Remembering all who are away from home this Christmas time.

Our sincere and heartfelt thanks to you all for your continued support.

You will all have a share in the Masses we are privileged to celebrate throughout the season.

Fr. Malachy and Fr. John

Christmas Mass Times 2024

Christmas Eve - Tuesday

Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Boher at 7.00pm

Church of St. James, Grange at 9.00pm

Christmas Day - Wednesday

Church of St. Anne, Mullaghbuoy at 10.00am

Church of St. James, Grange at 11.30am

Confirmation

Saturday 22nd March at 11am in Grange Church

First Holy Communion

Saturday 3rd May - Monksland and Rathcor

Sunday 4th May - Mullaghbuoy

Saturday 24th May - Boher

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 every Sunday evening from 7.30pm-8.00pm The Divine Chaplet team welcomes new members to recite the Chaplet on Sunday evenings at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome

Ministers of the Word

The new 2025 rotas are now available in the Sacristy together with St. Paul Sunday Missal – please pick up your rota and Missal as soon as possible

Ministers of the Eucharist

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Year of Jubilee 2025

Pope Francis has chosen the Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday 29th December, to mark the opening of the Year of Jubilee 2025 in all dioceses of the World. The Theme of the Jubilee Year is "Pilgrims of Hope". To open the Jubilee Year Archbishop Eamon Martin and Bishop Michael Router will celebrate Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on Sunday 29th December at 11am

Charitable Donations Scheme January 2023 – December 2023

The Parish recently received €33,675.91 from the Revenue Commissioners from the Charitable Donations Scheme 2023. 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 that the Scheme is calculated

Cooley Lourdes Committee

Cooley Lourdes Committee has been in operation for a number of years and works in conjunction with the Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Each year we raise funds to bring a number of sick people on the Diocesan Pilgrimage – next year the pilgrimage takes place from Monday 5th – Saturday 10th May 2025 and we are enthusiastically looking for new members to join our Committee. Should anyone be in a position to assist with a financial donation we would really appreciate your help!

Pilgrimage to Garabandal – 24th March – 28th March 2025

Fare includes full board, transfer to and from airport and tour guide - Air flight has to be arranged by individual pilgrims privately. Bookings will be taken in 2024. Contact: Laurena 085-1833110

Cooley Credit Union Limited – Christmas and New Year hours

Wednesday	25 th December	-	All offices closed
Thursday	26 th December	-	All offices closed
Friday	27 th December	-	All offices closed
Saturday	28 th December	-	Cooley office open 10.00am – 1.00pm
Wednesday	1 st January	-	All offices closed
Thursday	2 nd January	-	Normal opening hours resumes
Friday	3 rd January	-	Normal opening hours
Saturday	4 th January	-	Normal opening hours

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Cooley Kickham's u-19 boys football team on winning the Championship final last weekend

Cooley Kickham's G.F.C. Lotto €2 per line or 3 lines for €5

Winning Nos. 10; 13; 28; 32; - not won – next Jackpot €7,000

Cooley Community Projects Limited – Vacancies

1 – Groundsman – Cooley Kickhams

closing date 02.01.25

1 – Environmental worker - Cooley

closing date 29.12.24

Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or email cooleyceltd@gmail.com

Cooley Zoom Bingo

No ZOOM BINGO until Wednesday 8th January at 7.30pm.

Mullaghbuoy Community Centre Car Park

Mullaghbuoy Community Centre car park is currently being upgraded. All events/classes are running as usual but extra caution is advised to anyone using the hall or school as some areas are closed off. These works will be ongoing for a number of weeks. Apologies for any inconvenience caused

Glenmore Athletic Club

Annual Goal Mile on St. Stephen's Day – Thursday 26th December at 11am at Bush Track
Operation Bush4mation starts their Annual 4 week programme on Monday 6th January 2025.
Early bird of €40 up to 20th December – great value – something for everyone!

Céili in Mullaghbuoy Community Centre

Céili in Mullaghbuoy Community Centre on Friday 3rd January at 8pm – Music by Seamus & Fidlema Bellew. Adm €10 - light supper served. Raffle on the night. All proceeds to Community Centre

Glen United Table Quiz

Table Quiz in Martin's Bar, Riverstown on Friday 27th December in aid of Glen United Football team

Cooley Connect Well

Cooley Connect Well meet every Wednesday morning in Cooley Parochial Hall A91 DD1F.

Be Safe! Be Seen!

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