

## Cooley Parish Bulletin 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

### Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

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#### Fall Song by *Mary Oliver*

Another year gone, leaving everywhere  
its rich spiced residues: vines, leaves,  
the uneaten fruits crumbling damply  
in the shadows, unmatting back  
from the particular island of this summer,  
this NOW, that now is nowhere  
except underfoot, moldering  
in that black subterranean castle  
of unobservable mysteries –  
roots and sealed seeds and the wanderings of water.  
This I try to remember when time's measure  
painfully chafes, for instance when autumn  
flares out at the last, boisterous and like us longing to stay –  
how everything lives, shifting  
from one bright vision to another, forever  
in these momentary pastures.

#### Recently Deceased

Rev. Fr. Raphael Gallagher, C.S.S.R. Dundalk

Fr. Bede McGregor, O.P. St. Malachy's, Dundalk

Jim McSloy, Millgrange

Tony Eaton, Bellurgan

Sr. Eileen Moore, Newry

Peter Millar, Belfast and Grange

#### Anniversaries

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

|          |                         |         |  |
|----------|-------------------------|---------|--|
| Saturday | 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 7.00pm  | Dorrie Elmore<br>John, Lizzie and Terry O'Hanlon and dec'd<br>family members |
| Tuesday  | 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 10.00am | No Mass  |
| Thursday | 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 10.00am | Special Intentions   |
| Saturday | 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec at | 7.00pm  | John, James, Annie, Brendan and Francis Murphy                               |

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

|          |                         |         |                         |
|----------|-------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| Sunday   | 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 10.00am | People of the Parish    |
| Thursday | 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 8.00pm  | No Mass                 |
| Sunday   | 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec at | 10.00am | Parish List of the Dead |

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

|           |                         |         |  |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------|--|
| Sunday    | 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 11.30am | John and Mary White and dec'd family members, Rathcor<br>Brian Boyle<br>Joe Quinn, Ballagan<br>Mickey Rice<br>Peter Rafferty, Templetown and Cork  |
| Monday    | 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 8.00pm  | Stephen and Annie Rafferty and dec'd family members  |
| Tuesday   | 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 7.30pm  | Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick  |
| Wednesday | 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 10.00am | Stephen and Bridie Malone and Willie, Cathy and Cathal Oliver  |
| Friday    | 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec at | 10.00am | Austin Lowth and Dan Smyth   |
| Sunday    | 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec at | 11.30am | Nicholas and Annie Carroll and dec'd family members, Ballug<br>Owen, Kitty and Kieron Woods, Dundalk<br>John and Mary O'Connor and Pat and Una Shields<br>Bernard Murnaghan<br>Jim McSloy M.M. |

### **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 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 11am in Grange Church

#### **First Holy Communion**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Monksland and Rathcor  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Mullaghbuoy  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May - Boher

#### **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

#### **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

### **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 this Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome

### **Christmas Penitential and Reconciliation Service**

Christmas Penitential and Reconciliation Service and Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick will take place in Church of St. James, Grange this Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 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**

The new 2025 rotas are now available in the Sacristy – please pick up your rota as soon as possible

### **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 5<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> 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!

### **Christmas Carol Service**

Christmas Carol Service in St. Joseph's Redemptorist Church, Dundalk this Sunday evening 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. All are welcome

### **Cooley Credit Union Limited – Christmas and New Year hours**

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

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

|                                   |                       |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 – Groundsman – Cooley Kickhams  | closing date 02.01.25 |
| 1 – Environmental worker - Cooley | closing date 26.12.24 |

Phone Ambrose 042-9376077 or email [cooleyceltd@gmail.com](mailto:cooleyceltd@gmail.com)

### **Pilgrimage to Garabandal – 24<sup>th</sup> March – 28<sup>th</sup> 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

### **Rathabbey Community Centre – Coffee Mornings**

Coffee mornings in Rathabbey Community Centre every Wednesday morning at 10.30am

### **Cooley Active Retirement Group**

Cooley Active Retirement in Cooley Complex every Thursday afternoon at 2.30pm. New members always welcome

### **Cooley Zoom Bingo**

ZOOM BINGO every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm. Selling books €6 (5page book)  
Dympna Woods, Mary Clerkin, Linda Halpenny, Padraig O'Connor, Mulligan's Shop, Omeath, Cecelia Murphy, Lordship.

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

Cooley Parent , Baby and Toddler Group every Thursday from 10am – 11.30am in St. Mary's Parochial Hall, Cooley. €3 per family. Contact: 087-9721930 to be added to the WhatsApp group for updates

### **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

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

Winning Nos. 12; 16; 18; 21; - not won - Jackpot €6,800

### **Glenmore Athletic Club**

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

### **Céili in Mullaghbuoy Community Centre**

Céili in Mullaghbuoy Community Centre on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> December in aid of Glen United Football team

### **Cooley Connect Well**

Cooley Connect Well meet every Wednesday morning in Cooley Parochial Hall A91 DD1F and continue their skills share open days, health talks, light lunch and induction to activator walking poles sessions.

### **Be Safe! Be Seen!**

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