



Parish Newsletter Cooleragh - Staplestown

13th -14th January 2024

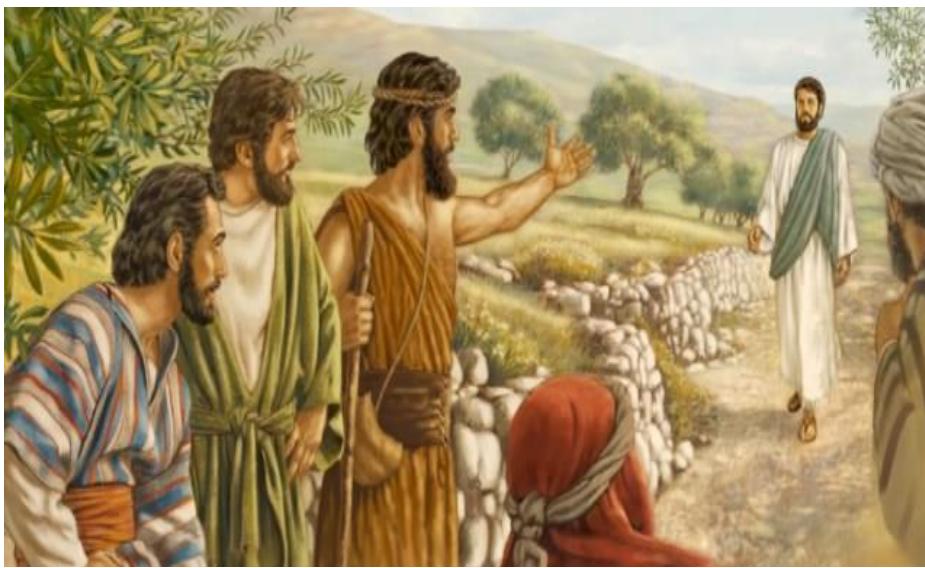
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Parish Priest; Fr. John

Anniversaries this weekend.

6.30pm Johnny Maguire Blackwood & his son Patrick

Sèan (Jack) Bagnall Coill Dubh
Tommy, Teresa & John Joe O'Grady Garravogue

8.30am Sèan (Jack) Bagnall Coill Dubh

11.15am Tommy, Teresa & John Joe O'Grady Garravogue
Dick Coffey The Range
Eileen Ward Gilltown

Please remember in your prayers the family of Mary Byrne whose funeral took place during the week

Envelope & Offertory Collections

Parish Envelopes Total €473 Offertory €568 *THANK YOU*

Tuesday Morning 9am Mass. Remembering those who are enduring the burden of injury or illness followed by Adoration till 11am.

Thursday Morning 9am Mass. Remembering especially those who have gone before us.

We will have candles for Candlemass in packs of 6 at €8 for anyone that would like to get a pack. Please book your candles before hand. Fr. John will bless them on the Feast of the Presentation 2nd February.

Anniversaries for next week

6.30pm Bernie Power Corduff
Hugh & Mary Cosgrove Timahoe

11.15am Sandra Lousse (nee Dunne) Staplestown
Barney Kenna Coill Dubh

Tuesday 23rd 9am

Patricia Kelly Timahoe

Ministers of the Word & Eucharist for next week
20th-21st January

Ministers of the Word***Christ the King Cooleragh***

6.30pm Laura Cullen

8.30am. Caroline Ennis

St Benignus Staplestown

11.15am Maggie Kennedy

Minister of the Eucharist***Christ the King Cooleragh***

6.30pm Ann Moore

8.30am Catherine Harney

St Benignus Staplestown

11.15am Mary Fallon & Liam Holton

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

A day long training will take place on Saturday, February 10 in the Cathedral Parish Centre, **February 17 in Newbridge Parish Centre** and February 24 in Emo National School.

Training will be led by Julie Kavanagh and Fr Tom O'Byrne. Registration details to follow next week.

Parish Bingo on 28th January at 2pm in the Community Centre Coill Dubh. More information to come.

The Village Arch Café Coill Dubh

now open 7 days a week
tea, coffee, fresh bread, scones and baked good available.

Adult Art classes for all levels in Staplestown Hall. Find the joy of art while painting/sketching in this casual & relaxed ambience.
Monday morning 15th 10.30-12.30,
Monday evening 15th 7-9pm
Tuesday morning 16th 10.30-12.30
For further details: 0858466020

Clane/Staplestown Indoor Bowling Club

Thinking about a new activity for the New Year? Indoor bowling each Monday at 8pm in St. Kevins' GAA Hall Staplestown, resuming on Monday 8th January. New Members Welcome. Tea & a chat afterwards.

Diocesan -Parish Lotto

The results are on the notice board at the back of the church also Wards Shop, Daybreak Supermarket. The Jackpot for next week's draw is **€15,000**. Thank you for your support. Tickets can be purchased in *Daybreak Supermarkets Coill Dubh, Wards Shop Cooleragh, Stylez & Smilzes Staplestown, Betty Dolan Staplestown* Parish office during office hours or after weekend masses in our churches.

Welcoming the relic of St Brigid

As we prepare to celebrate the life of St Brigid on February 1st and on this, the 1500th anniversary of her death, the Brigidine Sisters from their convent in Tullow are very generously loaning their relic of

St Brigid to Kildare Parish for the year.

The relic will be housed in a specially designed shrine in St Brigid's Church, Kildare. The shrine will be unveiled and Mass will be celebrated in honour of St Brigid and the generosity of the Brigidine Sisters on Sunday 28th January at 11am. This is seen very much as a home-coming for St Brigid and all are most welcome to attend.

'Tales of Plants & People from Timahoe to Thimphu'

St Mochua's Historical Society are delighted to welcome Timahoe native Dr Noeleen Smith, Assistant Professor in Environmental Horticulture, UCD to give a talk on January 24th in the Old School House, Staplestown at 8pm. Noeleen is a qualified botanist and chartered horticulturalist with national and international experience. 'Tales of Plants & People from Timahoe to Thimphu' promises to be a very exciting start to the 2024 monthly programme of talks. All are welcome.

Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change. Courage to change the things I can and the wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time enjoying one moment at a time. Accepting hardship as a pathway to peace taking as He did this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it. Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His Will. That I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him Forever in the next. **Amen**