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

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Anniversaries for next week 6.30pm Sheila Flemming Blackwood Angela Denneny Corduff

11.15am

MM John Dowd Staplestown, also his parents Denis & Kathleen whose anniversaries occurs at this time Mikie Reilly Staplestown

Ministers of the Word & Eucharist for next week 17th - 18th February *Ministers of the Word Chríst the Kíng Cooleragh* 6.30pm Ann Mooney 8.30am.Laurence Cummins

St Benígnus Staplestown 11.15am Ger McKeown

Minister of the Eucharist Christ the King Cooleragh 6.30pm Ann Moore 8.30am Catherine Harney

St Benígnus Staplestown **11.15am** Bernie Marron & Liam Holton

<u>Congratulations:</u> to J J Brereton & Sean Flannery who matched 3 in the Parish/Diocesan Lotto last Wednesday

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 **€11,000**. 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.

Feast Day this week

Wednesday:- Ash Wednesday,St Cyril Saturday:- St Fintan

Marriage Enrichment Weekend:

The Marriage Enrichment program that has been transforming marriages in Ireland for over 50 years and in 94 countries around the world. The programme involves a Weekend experience that transforms the way spouses communicate to deepen their love for each other. The experience allows you to create a dialogue with each other and with God, to create a higher and broader understanding of what it means to be married. This is taking place in Prosperous, Co Kildare 26th-28th April 2024. . Venue: Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare Online booking only: www.marriageencounter.ie

Divine Mercy Conference The conference will take place in the RDS this year on the 23rd, 24th and 25th February, 2024. Friday (FREE) 6.00pm - 9.00pm, Saturday 10am - 8pm and Sunday 10am -5pm. The conference will be broadcast online through our website www.divinemercyconfer ence.com free of charge and on churchservices.tv. It will also be available (audio only) on www.RadioMaria.ie and on Saorview 210 or dial up listening service 01 4373277 and also on www.ShalomWorld.org. The theme of this year's Conference is: "Jesus I Trust In You.". This is a call to trust in God. Trust is the opposite of fear. Our speakers for

this year are: Bishop Alphonsus Cullinane D.D. Fr Pat Collins C.M, Fr. Eunan Mc Donnell SDB, Fr. Brendan Walsh SAC, Fr Jaimie Twohig SAC, Sr. Mary Claire Kenneally OLM and Sr. Donata Farbaniec OLM. Tickets: ϵ_{40} weekend, Saturday ϵ_{35} and Sunday ϵ_{25} , available through PayPal on our website; from 22 Castle Grove, Clondalkin, Dublin D22Y2W9; or at the RDS door.

A prayer to begín my Lenten journey

Loving Jesus, as I receive on my forehead the sign of your saving cross you say to me, repent and believe in the Gospel. Walking into lent my heart is set on you. May my fasting fill me with hunger for you, may my prayer draw me deeper into your presence. May my acts of charity bring your love to my home and community. Lord of life, grants that by turning back to you in these 40 days I will re-awaken the joy of my Easter faith; for you raise me up from fear and despair and call me to hope and trust in God who is with me always. With you, I will rise again Amen