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

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

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Parish Priest Fr John. Anniversaries this week 6.30 Mary Kenny Brockagh

**11.15am** Ellen & Willie Ashe & family. Staplestown

Gentle reminder that our Summer **Clergy Collection** for support of our Clergy Fund was last weekend

Congratulations to the parents & welcome to our Faith Family the following babies who were christened from April -June :- Robert Louis Dockery, Hollie Cara Cuskelly, Thomas Wojciech Davis Byrne, Orla Marie O'Callaghan.



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Anniversaries for next week 6.30pm MM Helena (Lena)

MacNamara Celbridge. **MM** Kathleen Harris Coill Dubh

**8.30am** Sean Mooney Killina & Thomas Rowe Edenderry

Ministers of the Word & Eucharist for next week 6<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> July Ministers of the Word Chríst the Kíng Cooleragh Saturday 6.30pm Ann Mooney Sunday 8.30am. Caroline Ennis

St Benignus Staplestown Sunday 11.15am Kathy Tuite

Minister of the Eucharist Christ the King Cooleragh Saturday 6.30pm Mary Aspell Sunday 8.30am Catherine Harney

**St Benígnus Staplestown Sunday 11.15am** Geraldine Brennan

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 €20,000. Thank you for your support. Tickets can be purchased in Daybreak Supermarkets Coill Dubh, Wards Shop Cooleragh, Stylez & Smilzes Staplestown, Parish office during office hours or after weekend masses in our churches. MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2024: 7 Nights Apartment B&B from €273 per person sharing. Airport transfer available on request. Contact us for details and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 01 4434510 or website www.medirishcentre.com MEDJUGORJE: 00387 36 651 518 IRELAND: 00353 1 443 4510 Email: reservations@medirishcentre.com

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Proceeds of 'Sportsman and a Shepherd' the book of

tributes to the late Fr. Jimmy Doyle, have now been presented to the parish - €7800 in total. The money will be spent on renovating and furnishing the old sacristy in Staplestown, new vestments for Cooleragh, portraits of Blessed John Sullivan S.J. for both churches and other projects. When furnished, the old sacristy at Saint Benignus will become our parish meeting room. We are truly grateful to the producers and sponsors of the book.

## Pope's July prayer intention: For pastoral care of the sick

Pope Francis releases his prayer intention for the month of July, and invites Christians to pray that the Church might show God's closeness to people enduring illness. **By Devin Watkins**  "Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope."

Pope Francis offered that invitation to Christians around the world

The Pope is inviting the Church to pray for the pastoral care of the sick during the month of July 2024.

He recalled that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is not only for people at death's doorstep.

If someone thinks that a priest offering the sacrament means that they are about to die, said the Pope, they have embraced a hopeless vision.

"Let us remember that the Anointing of the Sick is one of the 'sacraments of healing,' of 'restoration,' that heals the spirit," said the Pope. He added that the sacrament is always available for people who are ill, especially the elderly.

"When a person is very ill," he said, "it's advisable to give them the Anointing of the Sick."

Pope Francis concluded by praying that the sacrament may become a more visible sign of compassion and hope.