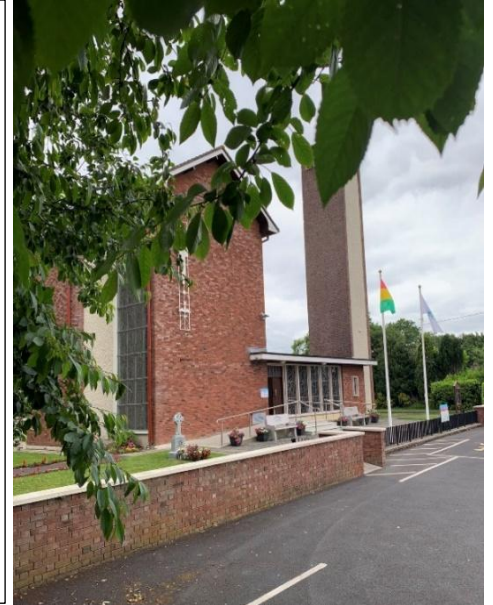




Parish Newsletter Cooleragh - Staplestown

8th -9th February 2025



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Envelopes & Offertory Collection

Total €1,363

Mass in Christ the King Church, Cooleragh,
Mon -Fri 9am

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

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

Email: standco100@gmail.com

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Parish Account Cooleragh No 1

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Anniversaries for the weekend *Christ the King Church, Cooleragh*

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Brian Keely Coill Dubh

Michael McGuire Coill Dubh

St Benignus Staplestown 11.15am

Sonny Fox Prosperous

Jack O'Brien Staplestown & the deceased members of the O'Brien & Fennell Families

Anniversaries for the next weekend *Christ the King Church, Cooleragh*

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

MM Mary Hayden Woodlands Park

Sheila Flemming Cooleragh East,
Tommy McCormack Coill Dubh

Paul Gordon Blackwood

St Benignus Staplestown

Sunday 11.15am

Mikie Reilly Staplestown

Ned & Cissie Murphy Derrycrib

Children's Grief Space, Parish Centre, Main St. Clane. Please ring 089

2465747 and leave a message. One of our team of support workers will call you back to make a first appointment. Children's Grief Space making a difference in lives of children and young people affected by loss.

15th -16th February 2025**Ministers of the Word***Christ the King,
Cooleragh*

Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Ann Mooney

Sunday 8.30am.

Eilis Cox

St Benignus, Staplestown

Sunday 11.15am

Aine Crotty

Ministers of the Eucharist*Christ the King,
Cooleragh*

Saturday 6.30pm

James Kenna

Sunday 8.30am

Catherine Harney

St Benignus, Staplestown

Sunday 11.15am

Bernie Doran/Bernie Marron

Diocesan -Parish Lotto 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, Styles & Smilzes Staplestown, Parish office during office hours or after weekend masses in our churches.

Public meeting to be held in Coill Dubh Community centre to discuss the future of the hall, meeting open to Coill Dubh residents and surrounding areas, Feb 20th 7pm to 9 all are welcome.

Divine Mercy Conference 21/23 February 2025. The conference will take place in the RDS this year on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd February. Friday (FREE) 6.00pm - 9.00pm, Saturday 10am - 8pm and Sunday 10am -5pm.

Feast Day for the week**Monday:** St Scholastica**Tuesday:** Our Lady of Lourdes ,
& St. Gobnait**Friday:** St Cyril

St Brigid and Europe; Kildare man and Naas parishioner, Liam Kenny, has researched a presentation "St Brigid and Europe – the diocesan Patron at the heart of the Europe Dream". Liam developed his presentation having made the surprise discovery on a business visit to Strasbourg in eastern France that there was a devotion in the region to St Brigid. Fascinated by this devotion to St Brigid, long distant from her traditional site in Kildare, he researched the Brigidine presence on the banks of the Rhine. The result is an illustrated presentation and informative commentary which is scheduled for the Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow R93 XV10 on Thursday 13th February at 7.30pm. Everyone is invited and welcome to come to this interesting evening which links the Diocesan patron saint with the heart of Europe.

Upcoming courses at the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght

Footholds: Meditation in Practice, Donagh O'Shea OP
Four Thursdays, Time 8 – 9 pm
beginning 27th February 2025. Cost €40.00 for four evenings

Sharing Faith in Today's World, Fr Micheal Hurley

Over 3 Monday Evening
10/17/24th February 2025, Time 8 – 9 Cost €40.00 for 3 weeks in advance/€15.00 if paying weekly.

For Bookings contact:

Dominican Retreat Centre,
Tallaght, Dublin D24 KA 40
Phone: 01 4048123/4048189
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Pope at Audience: May we welcome Mary's presence in our live.**By Deborah Castellano Lubov**

Christians should follow the example set by the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Visitation with her cousin Elizabeth, welcoming God and His plans for our lives. Pope Francis offered this encouragement during his General Audience in the Vatican on Wednesday,

Mary sets out without fear

In fact, he highlighted, after Mary's astonishment and wonder following the angel's annunciation, she gets up and sets out on a journey. Mary, Pope Francis said, did not fear danger or others' judgment; rather, the young woman went toward others instead of choosing to protect herself from the world. Pope Francis observed how this illustrates that, when we feel loved, we experience a force that sets love in motion. The Holy Father recalled St. Paul's insistence that the love of Christ impels us, drives us, and moves us. "Mary feels the push of this love," Pope Francis said, adding that love drove Mary to visit her cousin and "to share her faith in the God of the impossible and her hope in the fulfilment of His promises."