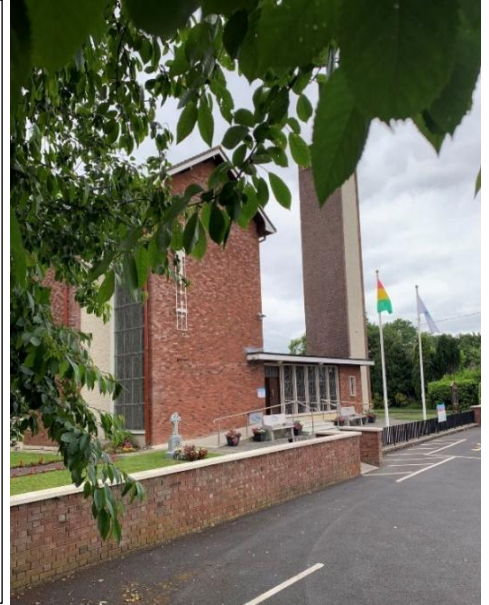


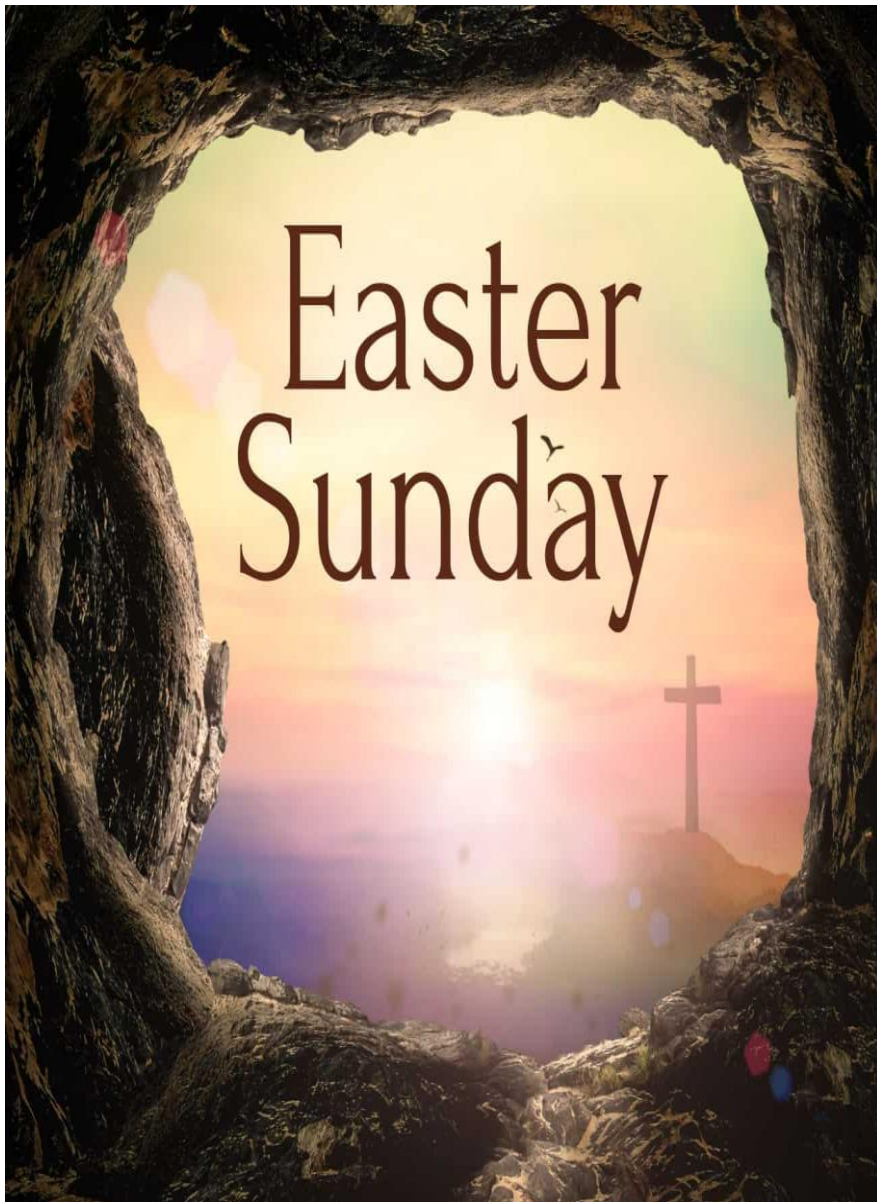


Parish Newsletter Cooleragh - Staplestown

19th –20th April 2025



EASTER SUNDAY



**Anniversaries for the weekend of
26th -27th April**
Christ the King Church, Cooleragh
Saturday Vigil 6.30pm
MM Peter Gordon Blackwood
Bridie Staunton Coill Dubh
John & Margaret O'Shea Coill Dubh

Christ the King Church, Cooleragh
Sunday 8.30am
Patrick Kenny Edenderry

St Benignus Staplestown 11.15am
Sean Tuite The Range
Carmel O'Brien Staplestown Donnie
Byrne Ballagh

Recently Deceased please
remember in your prayers the
family of Eamon Elliott
Coologmartin whose funeral took
place during the week.

**Easter Collection for the fund
which supports the Clergy is
make or break. Envelopes
available on the tables in our
Churches. Your generosity will
make a difference and always is
much appreciated.**

**Envelopes & Offertory Collection
Total €1524.**

**Parish Office will reopen on
Thursday 24th April,**

Wishing everyone the joy and hope of Easter

26th -27th April 2025**Ministers of the Word***Christ the King, Cooleragh***Vigil Mass 9pm**

Laura Cullen

Sunday 8.30am.

Blathnaid Tennyson

*St Benignus, Staplestown***Sunday 11.15am**

Áine Crotty

Ministers of the Eucharist*Christ the King, Cooleragh***Saturday 6.30pm**

Fiona Murphy

Sunday 8.30am

James Kenna

*St Benignus, Staplestown***Sunday 11.15am**

Liam Holton

Congratulations: to Ann Heffernan & Jack O'Haire who matched 3 in the Diocesan/Parish Lotto

Diocesan -Parish Lotto The Jackpot for next week's draw is €15,000. Thank you for your support. Tickets can be purchased in Daybreak Supermarkets Coill Dubh, Ward's Shop Cooleragh, Styles & Smilzes Staplestown, Parish office during office hours or after weekend masses in our churches.

As part of the Centenary Celebrations of St Therese of Lisieux's Canonisation we are holding a talk on a Family of Saints in Kildare on the 26th of April in the Carmelite Church, White Abbey Kildare. The Relics of St Therese and her parents St Louis and St Zelig Martin will also be there for Veneration. The talk will start at 11am about St Therese - Patroness of the Missions. Light refreshments will be served followed then by a talk on St Louis and St Zelig Martin - the first married couple to be Canonised. There will be a break for lunch which people can bring

themselves, we will provide teas/coffees. The final talk will be on Leonie Martin - Patroness of People with Disabilities. The day will end with a Blessing and Veneration of the Relics around 3pm Booking is essential on 085 8887549

Do you think that God may be calling you to the priesthood?

Would you like to meet with others who are exploring a call? Would you like to discover how to discover God's will for your life?. Then the Samuel Circle is for you! The Circle is a group of young men who meet regularly to try and discern God's plan for them in life.

If you are interested contact Fr. Ruairi ruairiodomhnaill@gmail.com

ACCORD NEED YOU: Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programmer facilitators to support couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. The Marriage preparation programme are fun and interactive and very popular with couples. The closing date for receipt of application forms to be included in Selections for this year is Friday 30th May. Contact Aisling on 01 505 31120r email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie www.accord.ie

St. Mochua's Historical Society will hold our meeting on Wed 23rd April at 8pm. Speaker Aileen Saunders. Aileen will speak about Nurse Eilís Fullam (1921 -2021) a dedicated Nurse and Midwife in Kildare. The talk will include snippets of the interview Aileen conducted with Eilís as a part of Save our Stories under the auspices of the Local Studies Department of the County Library and Kildare Co.Co.

A truly interesting talk. Raffle will be run on the night!

Pilgrim Walks In Glendalough:

At the Glendalough Hermitage Centre, we are delighted to offer parish groups from all localities a pilgrim experience in the beautiful valley of Glendalough, visiting the sacred sites associated with the 6th Century Saint Kevin and the monastic settlement which flourished through the "Golden Age of Celtic Christianity". Our project was initiated in the Jubilee Year 2000 by the Archdiocese of Dublin at the beginning of the third millennium, with the purpose of 'restoring Glendalough as a place of pilgrimage' and during this Jubilee Year 2025, we invite all 'Pilgrims of Hope' to experience a life-giving day in the Valley of the Seven Churches. Our own parish church, St. Kevin's of Laragh has been designated as an additional Jubilee Church during this year. More details and bookings available by emailing failte@glendaloughhermitage.ie

Staplestown School Fundraiser:

Clothing Collection
Monday April 28th 9am-1pm
Tuesday April 29th 9am-1pm
Scoil Naomh Mhuire Staplestown
Please see posters in both our churches for further details

Staplestown School Fundraiser Event

Horse Racing, Naas Race Course, Oaks Trials Day Saturday 10th May
Admission €15 children free
Gates open 12 noon 1st race 1.25pm last race 5.30pm
For tickets contact Collett on 086 059 1155