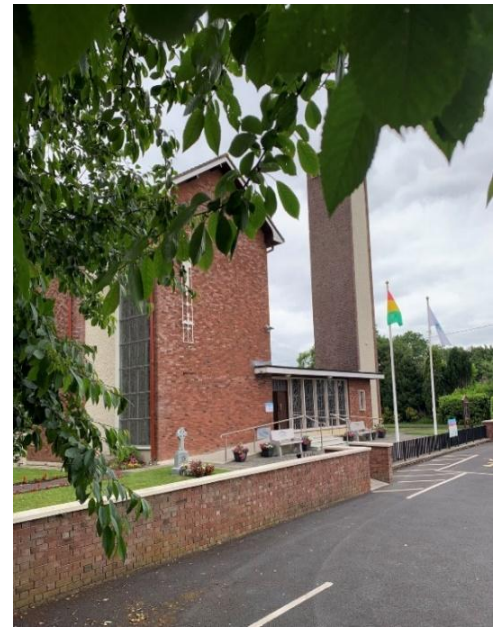




# Parish Newsletter Cooleragh- Staplestown

6<sup>th</sup> December '25  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of  
Advent



Envelopes & Offertory Collection  
Total €1294

No morning Mass in Christ the King, Tues, Wed  
or Thurs back on Friday 9am

Immaculate Conception 8<sup>th</sup> December  
Mass in Christ the King 9am

Mass Times in surrounding Parishes

Allenwood 9am Wednesday.

Clane 10am Tuesday, Thursday.

Kilcock 10am Tuesday\_\_Thursday

Prosperous 9.30am Tuesday, Thursday

## Anniversaries this weekend

### **6.30pm. Christ the King Cooleragh**

Paddy and Nancy Mangan Timahoe and the deceased members of the Mangan family Elizabeth and Thomas Mooney, Coill Dubh also remember their son John & grandson Thomas Andy O'Keeffe Dublin, his granddaughter Aoife and her father Thomas Ennis Ballintine.

### **8.30am. Christ the King Cooleragh**

Lorcan Harney Newtown Great

### **11.15am. St Benignus Staplestown**

Sean and Nancy Murphy Staplestown and remembering their son Sonny.

Jean Comerford Garravogue and deceased members of the Manders family

James and Nellie Brown Ballinafagh

Lena Tuite The Range

Tom Hosey The Range

Michael Kennedy Tallagh also remembering his wife Emma

## Anniversaries for next weekend

### **6.30pm. Christ the King Cooleragh**

Nancy Brereton Moods also her husband Christy and her sons Vincent & Chris.

Vincent Brereton Corduff also Elsie and Paddy Millea and the deceased members of the Donovan and Millea families

Vincent Condon Coill Dubh

### **11.15am. St Benignus Staplestown**

Tom and Joan Dowd Staplestown

Christmas Mass Bouquets are available in the Parish Office and sacristy of both Churches



**13<sup>th</sup>-- 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025****Ministers of the Word***Christ the King,  
Cooleragh***Vigil Mass 6.30pm**

Eilis Cox

**Sunday 8.30am.**

Louis Dockery

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

Aine Crotty

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

Mary Aspell

**Sunday 8.30am**

Catherine Harney

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

Geraldine Brennan

**Christmas Flowers** if you would like to make a donation to the cost of Christmas flowers for either of our churches it would be appreciated.

**Penitential Service**  
**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
**at 7pm Christ the King,**  
**Cooleragh.**

**Diocesan - Parish Lotto**

The Jackpot for next week's draw is €18,000. Thank you for your support. Tickets at €2 can be purchased in Daybreak Supermarket Coill Dubh, Ward's Shop Cooleragh, Styles & Smilzes Staplestown, Parish office during office hours or after

weekend masses in our churches.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Staplestown Choir

Christmas Concert

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm

St Kevin's GAA

**Family Carers Ireland**

Family Carers Ireland have launched their Christmas Raffle and you could win €1,000 cash, €500 select hotels voucher or a hotel voucher. Please support family carers in your community by purchasing a ticket

at [www.familycarers.ie/christmas](http://www.familycarers.ie/christmas) - Thank You!

**Celebrating 21 year** Visit Caragh's Christmas Craft Fair this Sunday, Dec.7<sup>th</sup> from 12-4.30pm home to over 30 vendors and exhibitors for 21 years. This is a Fair you won't want to miss. Wooden stalls with Yuletide Gifts, Festive Food, Christmas Decorations, Handmade Crafts, Seasonal Treats, Local Produce and gifts to suit all are available. Refreshments and festive treats served throughout the day. The Craft Fair is a wonderful experience where family, friends, neighbours and community meet and greet. It's Festive Fun for

everyone. Entry and parking as always is FREE.

**Santa arrives** Join Santa, Mrs. Claus and the Elves this **Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> December from 12.30** in Caragh Community Centre. Tickets only **€5 per child** on sale from 12pm on the day. See Mrs. Claus' Kitchen where she bakes her famous cookies and take one home. Visit Santa in his new Wooden Grotto, direct from the North Pole, and receive a festive gift. See the Elves at work and take your photo with them, Whether you've been naughty or nice

**The SVP Annual Appeal** will take place on 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> December. SVP envelopes will be at the back of both churches for anyone wishing to give a donation. Thanking you for your continued support.

***An Advent Prayer****By Sr. Ernestine Havlovic, ND*

Heavenly Father, we beg you to make this season a time of slowing down, a time to open our hearts in preparation for your coming.

Let our love of God spread throughout the world and may we find joy in bringing joy to others.

Amen.

