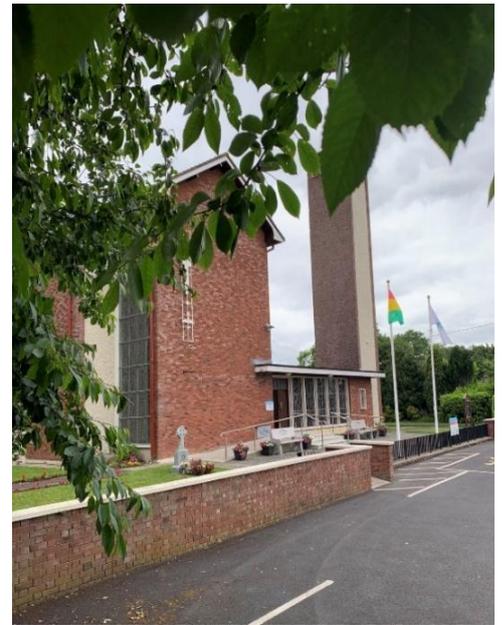




# Parish Newsletter Cooleragh- Staplestown

15<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in  
Ordinary Time



**Envelopes & Offertory Collection**  
Total €1492

**Weekday Masses** Mon-Fri 9am Christ the King Cooleragh

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

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

**Wednesday next is ASH WEDNESDAY**  
Mass at Christ the King Cooleragh 9am  
St. Benignus Staplestown 11am  
Blessed ashes will be available after both Masses



**Anniversaries this weekend**

**6.30pm. Christ the King**

Paul Gordon Blackwood  
Tommy McCormack Coill Dubh  
Michael McGuire Coill Dubh  
Nellie Mitchell Hodgestown

**8.30am. Christ the King**

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**11.15am. St Benignus Staplestown**

Bill and Kathleen Tuite.

**Anniversaries for next weekend**

**6.30pm. Christ the King**

Sheila Flemming Blackwood  
Angela Denny Corduff

**Recently Deceased** Please

remember in your prayers the family of the late Frances Byrne Cois na Mona Cooleragh formerly Coill Dubh whose funeral took place during the week.

**21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026**

**Ministers of the Word**

*Christ the King,  
Cooleragh*

**Vigil Mass 6.30pm**

Laura Cullen

**Sunday 8.30am.**

Caroline Ennis

*St Benignus,  
Staplestown*

**Sunday 11.15am**

Áine 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**

Katherine Kelly

**Congratulations** to June & Ray Bagnall who matched 3 in last week Lotto.

**Diocesan -Parish Lotto**

The Jackpot for next week's draw is €12,000. Thank you for your support. Tickets at €2 can be purchased in Daybreak Supermarket Coill Dubh, Ward's Shop Cooleragh, Styles n Smilzes Staplestown, Parish office during office hours or after weekend masses in our churches.

**Concert for Little Way**  
Celtic Heart: Ireland's

Songbook is a fundraising concert taking place on Sunday 29 March in The Westgrove Hotel for Little Way Cancer Support Centre, Clane.

Staplestown Choir, Gathering Voices Community Singers will combine to create a 50-voice choir, and will be joined by Alan Brereton and Susan Hughes for an uplifting celebration of music from Irish artists like U2, Paul Brady, The Cranberries, Mary Black and many more. Search Little Way Clane on Eventbrite for tickets or buy directly from Little Way in Clane.

**St. Mochua's Historical**

February talk is by the wonderful Noeleen Smyth. Flower power. The Allure of Orchids from Hodgestown Bog to Belize.

We are awaiting with great anticipation for this intriguing talk from Noeleen.

Wednesday Feb 18th at 8pm.

Old Hall Staplestown  
All welcome! Tea, coffee and fancies and our customary raffle of course!,

**Temperance Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026.**

Parishioners who wish to

take a short-term pledge for Lent are invited to visit [www.pioneers.ie](http://www.pioneers.ie) or to speak to a Pioneer in the parish. "Off the drink for Lent" is a reminder that "the bonds of friendship and affection do not unravel with death" ... or with addiction or sickness. Prayer and penance have been part of the response by many Irish families to the challenges which they have met across the centuries.

The short-term Pioneer pledge for Lent is a gesture of solidarity with people who are living "one day at a time" according to the 12 Step AA programme.

**Pilgrimage to a Marion Shrine.** We are currently exploring the possibility of journeying on a Marion Pilgrimage during the Autumn of this year. It would be a three or four day/night pilgrimage to Lourdes or Fátima. We would welcome expressions of interest as soon as possible. Further details will follow.