

OUR NEW BISHOP'S COAT OF ARMS

There is a long established tradition that a bishop has a coat of arms. It is not strictly necessary but with its rich symbolism, a coat of arms serves as a kind of contract with the people of the diocese & as a reminder to the bishop of what his mission is about. In the heraldic tradition of the Roman Catholic Church, the Coat of Arms of a Bishop is normally composed of: a shield with its charges (symbols) drawn from family, geographic, religious & historical

significance and/or related to the name of the Bishop; a golden processional cross, with one traversal bar, to represent the rank of the Bishop, "impaled" (vertically) behind the shield; a green hat with 12 attached tassels, a scroll with the motto, written in black, below. In this case a Samnitic shape shield, frequently used in the heraldry of the Roman Catholic Church, has been chosen, along with a celtic processional cross with five red stones to represent the Five Wounds of Christ, reminding Bishop Kevin that he will be called upon to imitate Christ the Good Shepherd, in "laying down his life" for the flock. Motto "UNUM CORPUS IN CHRISTO " (Romans 12,5). For his episcopal motto Bishop Kevin has chosen these words taken from the letter to the Romans. While it reflects the theme of the 50th International Eucharistic Congress, it is primarily a reference to the ministry of the bishop to be the "servant of communion" and the vocation of the diocese to be One Body in Christ.

Interpretation of the Coat of Arms

In the right side of the shield we find represented the Coat of Arms of the Diocese of Elphin; two golden crossed croziers surmounting a lamb as the central symbol reflecting Jesus, the Lamb of God who takes away



the sins of the world. The imagery of sheep & shepherds is well understood throughout the diocese, as it was in the Judean & Galilean countryside of Jesus time. The red colour is the colour of love, of blood; the infinite love of the Father who sent the Son to shed His blood for us,

the ultimate act of love. The personal arms of Bishop Kevin occupy the left side. This part of the shield is in silver, the colour of transparency, truth & justice, which are fundamental to the Bishop's pastoral ministry. The anchor, symbol of hope, is taken from the Doran family motto, Spes Ancora Vitae (Hope is the Anchor of Life). It is important to distinguish between

hope & mere optimism or wishful thinking. Hope is rooted in a realistic expectation of promises that will be fulfilled. As Christians, our hope is rooted in God who is always faithful to his promises. The anchor is in green the symbolic colour of hope. The blackbird references the legend of St. Kevin & the Blackbird, which is so well captured in the poem by Seamus Heaney. It reminds Bishop Kevin of the importance of fidelity to prayer & the relationship

between prayer, & service. The blackbird carries in his beak a copper pot, symbol of St Asicus, patron saint of the diocese of Elphin. St. Asicus was a coppersmith. Fr. Kevin spent some years as parish priest of Glendalough, Co. Wicklow. As he ministered to parishioners &

pilgrims around the lakeshore, he was often reminded of the ministry of Jesus, much of which took place around the lake (or sea) of Galilee. It was a ministry of "launching out into

the deep", inviting people to discipleship & "crossing over to the other side". As he undertakes his new mission in the Diocese of Elphin, (a diocese with no shortage of lakes, bounded on one end by the River Shannon and on the other by the Atlantic Ocean), he takes the ministry of Jesus as his model and inspiration. This is the symbolism of the wavelets in the lower part of the shield.

. Parish of Ahamlish and Inishmurray Grange & Cliffoney & Mullaghmore Rev. Christy McHugh: Tel: 071 9163100 Email: ahamlishparish@gmail.com

www.ahamlish.com

Issue 29, Saturday, 19th July 2014





ST. MOLAISE, CLIFFONEY

Wednesday, 7-8 pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Sunday: 10.30 am

> CHURCH OF MARY IMMACULATE, GRANGE Saturday: 8 pm Sunday: 12 noon

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA ORATORY, MULLAGHMORE Saturday: 6.30 pm



MINISTRY ROTAS, <u>CLIFFONEY</u>							
DATE	MINISTERS OF		MINISTERS OF THE WORD				
Sun, 20 th July	Anne O'Dare, Kathleen Sheerin		Mary McGowan, Anne Roper				
Sun , 27 th July	Frank Kielty, Jacinta Feehily		Claire McHale, Thomas McGuire				
Altar Society	JUNE: Mary McHugh, Catherine Kelly						
	MASS INTENTIONS in CLIFFONEY & MULLAGHMORE						
Sat, 19 th July	6.30 pm	Mullaghmore: Paddy Gallagher, Creevymore; Thomas McGee, Castlegal; Kathleen Lovell; Frank Lockhart, Months Mind.					
Sun, 20 th July	10.30 am 2 pm	Cliffoney: People of the Parish Baptism					
Sat , 26 th July	6.30 pm	Mullaghmore:					
Sun, 27 th July	10.30 am	Cliffoney:Tina Wymbs, 1 st anniversary; Bridie Brady, 1 st anniversary.					
CLIFFONEY OFF	ERINGS: Sunda	ıy: €993 Bish	ops Commissions: €170				
cardmaking, jev baked afterno inc <u>Kevin Fowle</u> All proceeds in	vellery making, k on tea with Mrs I luding tea. Book Cra y Memorial Trac aid of North We	nitting, nail art, emb Doyle's fine china an sing essential. Conta ifternoonteaparty@ tor Run: <u>Sunday, 2</u> st Hospice & M.S. Ti	oth July, Mullaghmore 11.30 am ckets on sale for raffle on the night				
	•		Mullaghmore. All welcome.				
			o Friday, 25th July; Daily, 10am to 6 r further details (086) 088 4972				
	July at 7.45 pm.		t <mark>t Therapy Centre, Sligo</mark> hacht Gold – Ballintrillick hments after.				
Garland	Weekend Celeb	rations: Tobernalt H	loly Well, Sligo: 25-27 th July				
25 th Jul, 6 pm: 26 th July, 7.30 pr 27 th July, 6 am: 10 am:	Dawn Mass at the Holy Well Morning Mass at the Holy Well						
12 100		5	1				
	LAUNC	<u>CH OF CATHEDRAL</u>	WEBCAM				

All ceremonies in our cathedral can now be streamed on the internet & can be viewed live from www.sligocathedral.ie.

The Annual Cemetery Mass takes place on Sunday, 3rd August at 12 noon

MASSES, GRANGE						
Sat, 19 th July 12.30 pm 8 pm		Bronagh & Eoin, Grange John & Catherine Gilmartin, Carnamaddow				
Sun, 20 th July	12 noon Elizabeth & Richa		rd Kilcoyne			
Mon, 21 st July	9.30 am St. Lawrence of B		riadisi			
Sat, 26 th July	8 pm John & Annie		ulvaney, Grogagh			
Sun, 27 th July	12 noon Jimmy Currid's M		Drumfad, 12 th anniversary onths Mind			
JULY	SATURDAY		SUNDAY			
OFFERTORY COLLECTORS	Pat Wymbs, Moneygold; Joe Currid, Ballyscannel; Sean Feeney, Carns; Joe Herrity, Aughagad		Michael Feighney, Streedagh; Michael Gillen, Aughagad; Francis Brennan, Newtownward; Martin McLean, Aughagad			
ALTAR SOCIETY	Imelda Gilroy, Patricia Campbell, Camilla Kerins, Cathy McCarry					
GRANGE OFFERINGS. Sunday 61 / 05 Restoration 6121 Bishops Commissions 6202						

NGE OFFERINGS: Sunday:€1,405 Restoration:€131 Bishops Commissions:€203. PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



Paul Keane, (46 yrs), Maam Cross. Suddenly, RIP. Our sincere sympathy to his wife Marie Therese Kiernan, formerly Circular Rd. Sligo & niece of Fr. Cyril Haran. Please remember his two daughters Ava (5) and Sofia (3); his mother, brothers, two sisters, nieces, nephews, relations & friends.

ick (Paddy) Gallagher, Cliffoney. 87 yrs. RIP 17th July. Our sympathy to his Mary, children Anthony, Christina Kelly, Patricia, Lorraine Roberts, Paula & na; grandchildren Adam & Erin; sisters Delia Mitchell, Rossinver; Mary Buckley & ci Parry.

is Lalor, Dublin, formerly Cliffoney. RIP 17th July. Our sympathy to his wife, a, sons John & Keith, three grandchildren, brothers, sisters, especially his sister , Cliffoney.

Fleadh Cheoil 2014 — Sligo — 10-17th August.

been asked to ask you to help promote our beautiful county, while at the same time ning a few much needed Euros for yourself, by being a part of the Fleadh. There will huge demand for accommodation for the Fleadh which commences on 10th Aug. If you have a spare room or more in your house please consider providing

ommodation. All you need to do is register online (fleadhcheoil.ie) or drop into the eadh office at Riverside. It's really important that we give a warm welcome to the sands of visitors that will come to Sligo next month in order that we take full benefit of our Tourism potential in the years to come.

REEK SUNDAY - CROAGH PATRICK - Sunday, 27th July.

Sacrament of Reconciliation, on the summit, from 7:30am - 2:00pm. First Mass on summit at 8am & every half hour thereafter. Last Mass: 2pm. Parishioners from all over Ireland are invited to participate in the pilgrimage.