

### **The Icon of the Holy Family – (See Centre Panel)**

On the table there are 3 round pieces of unleavened bread, 3 bunches of bitter herbs, 3 small bowls containing the ritual foods eaten at the Passover meal and a single large cup. The most important food at the Passover, the lamb offered in sacrifice, is not on the table. Jesus, the lamb of God, is the new Paschal Lamb, as St. Paul reminds us: "Our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed". | Cor 5:7. If you look closely at the right hand of Jesus, you will see that his fingers are raised in the way in which a priest of the Byzantine rite holds his fingers, when giving a blessing. In his other hand, he holds a scroll, open at the angel's Christmas proclamation to the shepherds at Bethlehem: "See I bring you news of great joy to all people".

The mother of Jesus + Joseph are seated on the other sides of the table. Mary's right hand points to her son. In the Icon tradition, this is known as pointing the way. Mary points the way to Jesus. Her left hand is raised to her face in a gesture of attentive listening and also of a mother's concern for her child. Both St. Joseph's hands are stretched out in a gesture of prayer. The third side of the table is open. It suggests that we are invited to take our place at the table with the holy ones, and our communion with them is through the Eucharist represented by the chalice that stands at the centre of the table. It's a reminder that every family is a domestic church, in which every meal shared in love has marks of Eucharistic communion.

### **Church Gate Collection, 16<sup>th</sup> + 17<sup>th</sup> Dec**

At all churches in aid of maintenance of the Local Defibrillators. Donations can be made directly through one of the committee members or on [www.gofundme.com/cliffoney-grange-defibrillators](http://www.gofundme.com/cliffoney-grange-defibrillators). Please contact Karen on 087 6398705 for further info.

### **Silent Retreat – Knock, Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius**

Takes place at the Alexian Brothers Monastery, Knock, Co. Mayo, for women aged 18 years and up. From 28<sup>th</sup> Dec 2017 - 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2018. Places are limited. Please book early. For more information contact 085-8235525.

### **New Beauty Salon Open in Grange**

Allure Beauty Salon has opened in Grange Village beside Londis Shop & Service Station. Proprietor: Nicole Gallagher, Drumfad. Opening Hours: Tue/Wed. 10.00am to 7.00pm, Thurs/Friday 10.00am to 8.00pm, Sat 10.00am to 5.00pm. Full range of treatments to include Shellac Nails, Brow Bar, Russian 3D Volume Lashes, Hair Removal, Make Up, Spray Tanning, Bridal Makeup. Christmas Gift Vouchers available. Telephone 087 – 1143100.

### **SuperValu SVP Annual Food Appeal Collection – until 16<sup>th</sup> Dec at Mullaney's**

#### **Supervalu**

All nonperishable food items can be donated, we are grateful for your donation.

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## *2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent:*

## *Prepare ye the way of the Lord*



### ***Celebration of the Eucharist***

*Celebration of the Eucharist ST. MOLAISE, CLIFFONEY*

*Sunday: 10:30 a.m.*

*Wednesday,*

*7:00 -8:00 pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

*CHURCH OF MARY IMMACULATE, GRANGE*

*Saturday: 8:00 p.m*

*Sunday: 12:00 noon*

*OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA ORATORY, MULLAGHMORE*

*Saturday: 6:30pm*



DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Sun, 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Ali Conway, Frank Kielty	Patricia Hickey
Sun, 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Bridie Watters, Pauline Maguire	Pauline Maguire, Anne McGloin
<b>Altar Society</b>	<b>December:</b> A. Roper, J. Gallagher	
<b>MASS INTENTIONS in CLIFFONEY &amp; MULLAGHMORE</b>		
Sat, 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30pm	Mullaghmore: John Callery (21 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) Michael McGowan, Mullaghmore (9 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
Sun, 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am	Cliffoney: Patrick O'Connor (13 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) Peter Oates Bridie Hargadon (6 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) Jacqueline O'Carroll (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)
Fri, 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10am	Cliffoney: Private Intentions
Sat, 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30pm	Mullaghmore: Tom Duffy (16 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
Sun, 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am	Cliffoney: Breege Bergin (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) + Austin Kerins (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Cliffoney Offerings:</b> <i>Sunday Collection: €688</i>		

**Cliffoney Events:**

- A Great Way To Get Rid Of Your Unwanted Items
- Car Boot Sale in Cliffoney Hall on Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec from 11-3pm . If you would like to book a table, cost is €15. Contact Ann 0876463473/ 0863412504.
  - Cliffoney Christmas Concert – Thur 14<sup>th</sup> Dec at 8pm with Cliffoney N.S.
  - Confessions in Cliffoney Church on Wed 20<sup>th</sup> At 8pm.

**Grange Events:**

- **Public Rosary** every Sat night for Advent at Grange Church at 7.40pm.
- **Carns NS** – Christmas Concert on 14<sup>th</sup> Dec at 8pm in Grange Hall.
- **Grange 400 Club**, Could the sellers please return their cards by 17<sup>th</sup> Dec.
- **Christmas Trees** available from Pat Hennegan at Grange Petrol Station – 0862219963.
  - **Confessions** – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec in Grange Church at 7pm.

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**St. Vincent de Paul - Annual church gate collection, held this weekend.**

All money collected will be spent locally and will be a great help to families over the Christmas period.

**Christmas Craft Fair - Benwisin Centre 10<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2pm-5pm**

Homemade crafts, textiles, jewellery, home baking, children's quiz, raffle, mulled wine. Tables available for vendors. Call 071 9176721.

MASSES, GRANGE		
Sat, 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2pm 8pm	Baptism: Oísín Dom Currid Patrick, Brigid + Pat Currid, Mount Edward
Sun, 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12.00pm	Joe Kilfeather - Grange Ursula Bruen - Streedagh
Mon, 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	For the People of the Parish
Tue, 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe St. Jane Frances de Chantal St. Finnian (Meath)
Wed, 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Feast of St. Lucy
Thur, 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Feast of St. John of the Cross
Fri, 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8pm	Áine Morris Months Mind
Sat, 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8pm	Michael Caraway Snr. and Ml. Caraway (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv) Jim Haran (21 <sup>st</sup> Anniv) Rinroe + deceased of the Haran + Mullaney families
Sun, 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12.00pm	Roddy Feighney Snr. Margaret Gillen (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary)
<b>December</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>
<b>OFFERTORY COLLECTORS</b>	Sean Meehan, Moneygold; Gerry Kilfeather, Kiltykere; Desmond Rooney, Breaghwy; Michael McLoughlin.	Tim Harte, Carns; Sean Taheny, Pine Grove Jimmy Rooney, Aughagad; Cormac Feeny, Grogagh;
<b>ALTAR SOCIETY</b>	<b>December:</b> Mary Gilroy, Tina Gilmartin, Roslyn Brennan, Catherine Feeny	
<b>Grange Offerings:</b> <i>Sunday Collection: €1090 Renovation: €232.50</i>		

**Please remember in your prayers:**

**John Herity**, Baile na Farrige, Grange, Co. Sligo. Died at St. John's Hospital on 7<sup>th</sup> Dec, predeceased by his parents Jack(died 1942) + Mae(died 2003). Our sympathy to his cousins Kilgannons, Clarkes, Healys, Heraghtys. Funeral took place at Grange's Church on Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec at 11am with burial in Ahamlish Cemetery.

**North West Simon Community looking for your support this Christmas:-**

**Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Carols by Candlelight in Holy Cross Friary Sligo Town at 8pm with Sligo Orpheus Choir – donation to NW Simon.

**Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec** – Tesco Shopping Arcade Sligo, Sing for Simon from 11 to 4 with choirs – collection for charity

**Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Women's Little Christmas Ladies Lunch, Kilonan Castle, Tickets from 087 7708865

North West Simon Community thank all their supporters and volunteers very much. [www.northwestsimon.ie](http://www.northwestsimon.ie)

**Carol Service at Sligo Cathedral on Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Dec at 8.15pm.**

**Grange Primary School Christmas Carol Service at Grange Church, 21<sup>st</sup> Dec at 7pm.**