



Never worry about the size of your Christmas Tree. In the eyes of children they are all 30-feet tall.

**Larry Wilde**



When we were children, we were grateful to those who filled our stockings at Christmas time. Why are we not grateful to God for filling our stockings with legs?

**GK Chesterton**



### Advent Talk – Opening Ourselves to God’s Graciousness

A Reflective Advent Journey with Fr. Michael Drennan SJ, Tuesday 14th December, 8:00pm - 9:00pm. For more info & Zoom link see [www.elphindiocese.ie/seminars](http://www.elphindiocese.ie/seminars)

### Carols by Candlelight – Knock Basilica

We are delighted to bring you our ‘Carols By Candlelight’ performance from Knock Basilica, taking place on Sunday 19th December at 8pm. Lift your spirits and spark the joy of Christmas with loved ones with ‘Carols by Candlelight’, performed against the soft glow of candlelight in the breath-taking surrounds of Knock Basilica. Featuring the Schola Cantorum Basilicae, the Knock Basilica Choir, together with the ConTempo String Quartet and Organist Mark Keane. The carol service will be streamed live to the world on our website [www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live) It is not necessary to book in order to attend the Carol Service, attendance will be on a first-come, first-served basis with ushers present to assist.

### Maynooth College Carol Service - Online

On Wednesday 15th December at 7.30pm, three Maynooth College and University choirs will gather in the historic College Chapel of Saint Patrick’s College, Maynooth, for the annual Christmas carol service: the College Chapel Choir, directed by Dr John O’Keeffe; the Schola Gregoriana, led by Dr Darina McCarthy; and Maynooth University Chamber Choir, under the direction of Dr Michael Dawson. This renowned and uplifting choral celebration of the Christmas season has been a highlight of the Advent calendar in Ireland since 1970. The online link for the carol service can be found on the College website: [www.maynoothcollege.ie](http://www.maynoothcollege.ie)

## Parish of Ahamlish and Inishmurray

Grange • Cliffoey • Mullaghmore

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Sunday 12th December 2021

### Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday

*The third candle, the Pink Candle, is also called the Shepherd’s Candle, representing joy: “The Angels brought the joyful news of Jesus’ birth to the shepherds in the field”.*



Join us for every mass from Grange Church online through our Facebook Page

Adoration every Thursday, 7-9pm, Grange Church

### Mullaghmore Masses

<b>Saturday 11th December</b>	6:30pm	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> Tom Duffy
<b>Saturday 18th December</b>	6:30pm	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> Annie Duffy (recently deceased)

### Cliffoney Masses

<b>Sunday 12th December</b>	10:30am	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> Ned Gallagher, deceased of the Gallagher Family and brother-in-law Philip McElhaton, Bristol (died 7th June) Patrick O'Connor, Bunduff (17th Anniversary)
<b>Friday 17th December</b>	8:00pm	Trevor Sproule (1st Anniversary)
<b>Saturday 18th December</b>	12:30pm	Wedding: Aislinn & Conor
<b>Sunday 19th December</b>	10:30am	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>

Collection: €572   Missions: €5   Trocaire: €15   Diocesan Needs: €5

### Grange Masses

<b>Saturday 11th December</b>	8:00pm	Michael Caraway Snr and Jnr Jim Haran and deceased of the Haran & Mullaney Families Patsy & Terry Kilfeather and deceased family, Kiltykere Mick & Annie Waters and deceased family, Raughly In thanksgiving for favours received
<b>Sunday 12th December</b>	12 noon	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> Patrick & Brigid Currid, son Pat and daughter Maisie Ursula Bruen (10th Anniversary)
<b>Monday 13th December</b>	9:30am	John Herity, Baile na Fairraige (4th Anniversary)
	12 noon	Funeral: Margaret Gilmartin, Carns, Moneygold
<b>Tuesday 14th December</b>	8:00pm	Rod Feighney Snr
<b>Wednesday 15th December</b>	9:30am	Seamus Kelly, Duncarbury (1st Anniversary)
<b>Thursday 16th December</b>		Wedding: Oisín & Caroline, St John's Church, Carraroe
<b>Friday 17th December</b>		Wedding: Jody & Roisín
<b>Saturday 18th December</b>	8:00pm	Kathleen & Vincent Tivnan
<b>Sunday 19th December</b>	12 noon	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> John Patrick & Ellen Moffitt, Gortnalack and sons Sean, PJ, James & Kevin

Collection: €715   Missions: €10   Trocaire: €115

### Please Remember in Your Prayers:

- Margaret Gilmartin (née Kilbane), Carns, Moneygold, Grange and formerly Achill, Co. Mayo. Our sympathy to her sons Noel & Michael; daughter-in-law Maggie and grandsons Adam & Liam. Funeral Mass will take place at Church of Mary Immaculate, Grange on Monday 13th December at 12 noon with burial in Ahamlish Cemetery.

### Parish Pastoral Council

Meeting was adjourned due to weather. There will be another attempt in the New Year.

### Christmas Novena 2021, 16th - 24th December

By Fr Donal Neary SJ. Available free in porch.

### Congratulations to The Atlantic Orchestra Project

Congratulations to those who brought us the "Colmcille Connection 2021" to celebrate 1500th Anniversary of his birth, written and produced by Catherine Rhatigan and aided by local talent. A wonderful presentation and a fitting way to complete the Holy Day of 8th December. Well done to everyone.

### Digital Advent Calendar

Available on [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie) This year's calendar theme is 'Hope'. Each day during Advent a virtual door can be opened containing faith content, including an audio/video reflection.

### Advent in Two Minutes

A video explaining Advent available at <https://bustedhalo.com/video/watch>.

### SVP Annual Christmas Appeal

Envelopes for this are available in the church porches. Returns may be made via the donation boxes in the churches.

### Parish Christmas Triduum Mass Cards

Available in Gala Shop, Cliffoney and Grange Post Office and Supervalu.

### Grange Post Primary School Carol Service

From Grange Church on Wednesday 22nd December at 10:00am. Available online on Ahamlish Parish Sligo Facebook Page.