

Local Lenten Scripture Sharing Group forming for 6 meetings. Group will meet in **Crying Room in Grange Church** for 6 weeks beginning **Monday 19th Feb – 25th March 7-8 pm**. Enter by the Red Door. Group will draw on riches of 2nd half of St. Mark's Gospel, through times of reading, conversation & shared prayer. Resources provided. More info @ www.elphindiocese.ie/mark2.

Rachel's Vineyard - A spiritual and psychological journey of healing after abortion. Upcoming weekend retreat: March 24th - 26th at a venue in County Sligo. For further information see www.rachelsvineyard.ie or phone Anne in confidence at 085-7829929.

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Cliffoney Heritage. Free Community Event at Cliffoney Hall on Sunday 24th March at 11.30am. Come along to a presentation by Zena Hctor, the Heritage Consultant and researcher for the Heritage Audit of the Cliffoney and surrounding areas. The Heritage Audit was facilitated by the Cliffoney Community Forum and funded by the Heritage Council.

St Patrick was kidnapped. He was nabbed as a kid. He was trafficked. He was a migrant. He was a slave-shepherd. He was held against his will. He was denied his freedom at the hands of the druids and local chieftains. Patrick encountered physical hardship, hostility, criticism and rejection. Yet, this was the path on which he encountered God. St Patrick the outsider became Ireland's greatest insider of forgiveness and reconciliation. He taught us that God is found in the rhythms and lives of every person through hospitality, humanity and holiness. He appreciated that the Spirit dwelt in every human heart. It is from St Patrick that we receive the tradition of praying in and with the elements of all creation. St Patrick has gifted us with the encompassing prayer- or praying for protection as in the *Lorica* or *Breastplate* prayer. St Patrick prayed without ceasing, often a hundred times a day and night. He was a presence of inclusion, generosity, right relationship with creation as well as with all people, even those with a different outlook, tradition, culture, values and religion.

St Patrick was visited by dreams. He, like St Joseph (Matthew 1:20-25), paid attention to them. He used his dreams as a dialogue partner for his future decisions. St Patrick said 'yes' to God and to the Irish people and he took on an important and significant vocation and gospel mission for the rest of his life. He met resistance, politics – both secular and ecclesiastical – and misunderstanding with a determination. In his confessions, he felt a sense of shame at his lack of education and this self-consciousness is a recurring theme, which shows St Patrick's humanity was integrated with holiness. He shows us that our call to discipleship is an invitation to realise that 'God's Spirit has poured into our hearts', despite all the incoherent elements within us.

St Patrick teaches us to be with one another, especially with the poor, the disadvantaged and the lonely – in a Synodal spirit – so as to create relationships of trust and dignity across social divisions. We can receive a wealth of wisdom, difference, humanity and grace that God has to give us through the most unlikely and surprising people. We are not the source of their salvation: but they are the source of our! St Patrick was with God, with himself, with his people and with the whole of creation.

The Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers) Fr. Paddy Moran C.S.Sp will spend the weekend of Mar 16th & 17th with us promoting and making us aware of their Mission in various parts of the world.

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Grange ✠ Cliffoney ✠ Mullaghmore

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Sunday 17th March 2024

St Patrick's Day



Online Mass

Every Mass from Grange Church available on our Facebook Page

Adoration

Every Thursday, 7-9pm, Grange Church
Every Wednesday, 7-9pm Cliffoney Church

Mullaghmore Masses

Saturday 16th March	6:30pm	Vigil of Feast St Patrick's Day
Saturday 23rd March	6:30pm	Palm Sunday Eve
Every First Saturday	10:30am	Holy Rosary

Cliffoney Masses

Sunday 17th March	10:30am	Feast of St Patrick's Day
Thursday 21st March	10:00am	Feast of St Enda
Sunday 24th March	10:30am	Palm Sunday Karen Fowley Gus and Danny McHugh John Harrison (4th Anniv)
Collection €986 / Diocesan needs €45		

Grange Masses

Saturday 16th March	8:00pm	Maura McSharry Months Mind Evan Doyle, Augharrow (5 th Anniv)
Sunday 17th March	12noon	Hugh O'Reilly
Monday 18th March	9:30am	Feast of Sy Cyril of Jerusalem
Tuesday 19th March	9:30am	Feast of St Joseph
Wednesday 20th March	9:30am	
Friday 22nd March	9:30am	Feast of St Macartan
Saturday 23rd March		Wedding: Sean and Tracy, Began
Saturday 23rd March	8:00pm	Eileen Haran, Rinroe (4th Anniv)
Sunday 24th March	12noon	Palm Sunday
Collection €1055 / Diocesan needs €52		

Sacrament of Confirmation will be held in Church of Mary Immaculate Grange on May 8th at 11am 2024 for children of the entire parish.

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on May 11th at 11am 2024 at Church of Mary Immaculate Grange.

First Holy Communion will be held in Cliffoney Church on May 18th at 11am 2024.

St Patrick's Day Parade, Grange will be held @ 2pm.

Come and support. Congratulations to the Committee and Volunteers

Trip to Rome led by Fr Michael Drumm, June 29 to July 5 with Aer Lingus. Hotel beside the Vatican. In-depth tours of the eternal city. For more information, phone Kieran or Laura on 057 93 55050 or email: info@myriam.ie. To see trip brochure, visit www.myriam.ie

ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service is recruiting experienced practitioners to train in the specialism of Couple Therapy. Successful applicants will follow a 16 day Certificate programme. For more information and to download application form, visit accord.ie

St Monica's Mothers' Prayer Group Sligo meet every Tuesday at 7pm in St Bernadette's Chapel, Rockwood Parade, Sligo. We pray for our children and grandchildren through the intercession of Our Lady Queen of Peace and St Monica. All Mothers Welcome. Further info from Carmel at 086-0678805.

Bishop Kevin invites you to attend the Mass of Chrism on Wednesday 27th March at 7.30pm in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Sligo. During the Mass, Bishop Kevin will bless and consecrate the oils used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Sick and the priests of the diocese will renew their commitment to their priestly ministry. All are very welcome to attend.

Bishop Kevin's Pastoral Reflections for Lent - can be read on www.elphindiocese.ie

Evangelium Ireland will host its 8th Apologetics Conference for young Catholic adults at All Hallows College, Drumcondra, Dublin 9 on Saturday, 25th March beginning at 9.00am and concluding at 6.00pm. Topics will include the Development of Christian Doctrine in the thought of St John Henry Newman; the Incarnation; the Persecuted Church today; approaches to Evangelisation today and the place of Art & Beauty in Evangelisation. Mass will be celebrated in the afternoon. Cost: €38 including lunch & refreshments. For more information about *Evangelium Ireland* and to register go to www.evangelium.ie or search 'Evangelium Ireland' on Eventbrite.

The monthly **Youth-Led Mass**, led by young people and celebrated by Bishop Kevin, will take place on Saturday 23rd March at 6.30pm in St Anne's Church, Sligo (F91 R250) Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday. All are welcome with a special invitation extended to young people. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

St Patrick's Well, Bunduff. Prayers on St Patrick's Day at 12:30pm.
All Welcome!

Faith Renewal – Knock Shrine: **March 21st – John Connell** 'Living more simply in a complex world'. www.knockshrine.ie

Sligo Cathedral Parish Lenten Retreat for one day March 23rd from 11:30am - 4pm in the Gillooly Hall. Reserve a place 9162670. Confessions all day. Tea/Coffee supplied. - **Bring your own lunch**

Trócaire Lenten Campaign:- In the Machinga district of Malawi, Malita is a strong and resilient woman, despite the challenges she faces. She works tirelessly in her community to improve the life of all its members. Like all mothers, she prays for the best for her children. She wants them to have an education and opportunities for a better life. Trócaire and its local partners are working with women like Malita to build a more just world. Visit trocaire.org

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North Sligo AC Annual Good Friday 5K - We are looking forward to seeing everyone out again this year for our Annual Good Friday 5K on **Friday, 29 March at 6 pm**. Registration at North Sligo Complex, Grange.

This year we are raising much needed funds for **Médecins Sans Frontières**.

To quote the man of the hour Cillian Murphy:

"We made a film about the man who created the atomic bomb. And for better or for worse, we're all living in Oppenheimer's world, so I'd really like to dedicate this to the peacemakers, everywhere."

We welcome you to help us support the peacemakers everywhere!!

So, why not join us to run, jog or walk, with your family and friends (children and adults) and help to support the peacemakers everywhere.

Register: www.northsligoac.ie or on the day at North Sligo Complex from 5.30 pm