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# St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish

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## Mass Times

### St Patrick's Cathedral

Monday - Saturday: 10am

Saturday: 6.30pm

Sunday: 11am, 12.30pm & 5.30pm

### St Malachy's Church

Tues - Fri: 8am

Mon, Wed & Fri: 7:30pm

Tues & Thurs: Prayer Service - 7:30pm

Sundays: 8am & 9.30am

### Church of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday: 7:30pm

### St Colmeille's Church

Sunday: 10am

**Please be aware of the importance of sanitising when entering any of our Churches & please respect Social Distancing in our Churches at all times.**

### Face coverings/Masks in Churches

Everyone is asked to wear a face covering/mask when attending Mass or when visiting any of the Churches in our Parish.

**Reception of Communion** continues to be by hand only. Should people wish to receive the Eucharist on the tongue, they can purchase a pyx in which the Eucharist can be placed.

**Anniversaries & Month's Mind Masses** should be left in the Parish Office **no later than 12noon on the Thursday of the week before the anniversary is due to be remembered, this includes Saturday Anniversaries.** You can leave anniversaries in as early as you wish, but anniversaries left in after this time are considered **late**, & therefore there is **no guarantee** that they will be read out at Mass. We request that you leave your anniversary in as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

**Parish Office** Open Mon-Fri 10am-3pm tel. 02837522813.

**Baptisms** Saturdays at 5.30pm in St Malachy's Church. All Baptisms are booked through the Parish Office. **Please note due to restrictions, a maximum of 12 people are allowed to attend with each child being baptised.**

**Funerals** are celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral at 11am (Mon-Sat) Please note there are no Sunday funerals. Funerals are strictly Private/Family celebrations & can be viewed on St Patrick's Cathedral Webcam.

**Confessions** in St Malachy's Church on Saturdays @ 12 noon. Confessions also on the Thursday before the first Friday of each month in St Malachy's Church @ 12noon.

**Safeguarding** Contact Maura 07895460797/armaghparishsafeguarding@gmail.com

## Weekly Parish Collection

9 Oct - £4635 & €114.22

16 Oct - £4635 & €114.22

Creeslough Collection - £1779 & €50

Annual Mission Sunday Collection is being taken up at all Masses this weekend.

Priests Dues Collection will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of Sat 5/Sun 6 Nov.

**Home visits** If there is anyone who is seriously ill &/or confined to their home or if anyone would like to receive a home visit or a house blessing from please leave details at the Parish Office.

**Parish Records** Help us keep our system up to date by letting us know your change of address! If you have changed address in the last couple of years or are planning to do so in the near future, please contact Claire in the Parish Office.

## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reflection

Dear Parishioners,

Mission Sunday is a day for us to reflect on the contribution we, as Irish people, have made to the mission of the Church in the past and how we live it today. Mission was understood as going abroad, to countries where the Church was not yet strong or to places where people suffered from poverty or conflict. This is indeed still necessary and valid today and we pray that people will continue to give their lives to mission in this way.

Mission was also seen as the task primarily of priests and religious, with some few lay missionaries, and their work was very much supported by the generosity of the Irish people. Pope Francis today is encouraging all the baptised to more actively assume their responsibility as "missionary disciples". Many Catholics in Ireland, especially among our youth, see little relevance of the faith in their lives. Hence, a challenge for all of us as Catholics is to take the time to seriously reflect on our faith experience, seek to become more knowledgeable about the Scriptures and some of the teachings of the Church, ask ourselves questions about it and seek to articulate it meaningfully to ourselves and others, and then base our action on our experience of the faith. Mission is essentially faith in action, and to this we as baptised are all called to be committed.

There are many ways in which people live mission today, both in Ireland and overseas. These include being involved in action to prevent trafficking, various kinds of social and community work with the poor and marginalised, reaching out to refugees and migrants and action to care for the earth. Some of those people who are engaged in these activities may not profess a formal Christian faith, but it is evident that their activities are inspired by Gospel values and they are promoting the reign of God.

Questions to ask as we reflect on our mission today!

Faith is not seen as a positive value in the secular world and for many people in Ireland today.

What is the role of faith in society?

What is the faith you are searching for? What is the joy you are searching for?

What is the faith you are called to share? What is the joy you are called to share?

How can we reach out better to young people in our parish and listen better to their questions and challenges?

What can we learn from immigrants who live in our communities, especially those of other religions, and how can we build a more intercultural and interfaith community together?

To what extent is there a fruitful exchange of experience between overseas missionaries who have come back to Ireland and our home parish/community?

With every blessing  
Rev Peter McAnenly Adm

## Prayer Walk in St Patrick's Cathedral

During the month of November, people are invited to do The Prayer Walk in St Patrick's Cathedral, in memory of all our departed loved ones and especially those who have died over the past year. As part of the Prayer Walk, you are invited to pray in the Baptistery, before the Mosaic Medallion of St Patrick, at the Statue of St Oliver Plunkett, at the Shrine of Our Lady and in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. It's hoped that all P7 Pupils in the different schools in our Parish will also be brought to the Cathedral during the month of remembrance, to pray for all our departed loved ones. Copies of the Prayer Walk will be available at the doors of the Cathedral. People are invited to do the Prayer Walk in a spirit of openness to the love and mercy of God.

## Triduum to St Malachy: Tues 1 - Thurs 3 November

(copies of the Triduum will be available at the back of St Malachy's Church)

Novena Prayer to St Malachy (25 Oct - 2 Nov)

Glorious Saint Malachy, ardent yet gentle shepherd of God's people, we come before you seeking your intercession and protection in this time of trial.

Malachy, angel of peace, who brought those in conflict to be reconciled in the name of Christ, grant lasting peace and reconciliation to our country.

Mighty pillar of the Church, who banished error by the truth of your preaching, obtain for each of us the grace of sincere repentance and renewal, that we may serve the Lord in holiness all our days.

Most fatherly Archbishop of Armagh, enkindle the hearts of bishops and priests that, aided by your patronage and example, they may labour to form a holy people, strong in faith, constant in prayer, abounding in charity, devoted to the Sacraments and loyal to the See of Peter.

O Saint rich in mercy and compassion, look upon all who are suffering or in need and obtain for them support, healing and hope.

St Malachy, ablaze with heavenly fire, be a light to guide us on our pilgrim way to the Kingdom of Heaven. There may we be united with you in singing the praises of God for ever and ever.

Amen.

## RECENTLY DECEASED

*We pray for:* Fergus Black, John McNally, Thomas Ward, Canon Patsy McDonnell, Shane McArdle, Dessy Kerr, Marie Kerr, Baby Robert Toner and Sadie Randall.

## MONTHS MIND

*We pray for:* Anthony (Tony) Boylan (24th), Sean Murphy (27th) and John Toal (28th)



### Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world, that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world, AMEN.

**Weekly Collections/Gift Aid** Thanks to all who have been continuing to support their parish financially through these very challenging times. Many people have set up a Direct Debit or Standing Order recently. Weekly Parish Envelopes that aren't given at weekend Masses can also be left through the letterbox of the Parish Office. Please continue to do what you can to help support our parish. Anyone who wishes to set up a Direct Debit or Standing Order can contact Caroline at the Parish Office. Thanks also to all who avail of the Gift Aid Scheme but we are keen to increase the number of contributors within the parish. Gift Aid means that for every £1 given through the envelope collection, the parish can claim an additional 25 pence from the Inland Revenue, as long as you pay Income Tax and sign a declaration form, permitting the parish to claim. Gift Aid forms can be accessed on the parish website or by contacting the Parish Office.

**Let's talk about faith!** Fr Emmanuel will host a monthly gathering to help people reflect on different aspects of their faith. The evenings will include a period of Exposition in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and some reflection on different themes. Venue -- St Vincent de Paul Centre, Chapel Lane from 7.30pm – 8.30pm.

Thurs 20 Oct Who is God

Thurs 24 Nov Three persons in one God

Thurs 15 Dec How is salvation possible

**A time to Remember** Prayer and Reflection in the month of Remembrance for all who grieve the loss of a loved one! Each Tuesday in November at 3pm in St Vincent de Paul Centre, Chapel Lane. All are welcome.

**Do this in Memory Programme** The next gathering for all P4 Pupils & their parents will take place in St Patrick's Cathedral on Sat 12 Nov at 6.30pm.

**Adoration** Thanks to all who have taken on a regular hour each week before the Blessed Sacrament during hours of Exposition 8.30/9am to 5pm weekdays and 9.30am to 5pm on Sundays to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended. There are more hours to be covered especially on Saturday afternoon & Sunday. If you can do a regular hour weekly, please contact Kevin 07732220632 or Margaret 07799867714.

**St Patrick's Cathedral Chapter Mass** will be celebrated by Archbishop Martin in the Cathedral on Sunday 13 November at 11am. He will be joined by Bishop Router and some representatives of the Cathedral Chapter on the day.

**First Friday** Friday 4 November is the first Friday of November. Confessions in St Malachy's Church on Thursday 3 November at 12noon and there will be a Holy Hour in St Malachy's Church on Friday 4 November from 8-9pm

**Mass of Remembrance** for all our dead and especially those who have died in our parish over the past year, will take place in St Malachy's Church on Wed 9th Nov at 7.30pm. In the month of November we pray

for all our dead... God our Father, Your power brings us to birth, Your providence guides our lives, and by Your command, we return to dust. Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends and for all the dead known to You alone. In company with Christ, who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

**Mass in Lislea Community Centre** The annual Mass in the Community Centre, to remember all our dead and especially those who have died in the community over the past year will take place on Thursday 10 November at 8pm.

**Apostolic Workers** The annual Mass for our deceased members will take place in St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday 22 October at 6.30pm. All are welcome.

**Apostolic Work "Sale with a Difference"** will take place on Sat 5th Nov in the Community Centre, Dobbin St, Armagh from 10am-1pm. Admission: £1. Fancy goods, gifts and knitted items. NB: No refreshments. Please come and support our missionaries.

**Confirmation Ceremonies 2023** The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in Armagh Parish on the weekend of Sat 27/ Sun 28 May 2023.

**Benches in Armagh Cemetery** As previously outlined, no more benches are to be placed in Armagh Cemetery. Due to restricted space in the cemetery, benches that have been placed without permission on the hill and close to Moy Rd will soon be removed for burial spaces.

**Parish Property Available for Rent** the former St Colmcille's Primary School, Knockaconey, Armagh is currently available for rent. Premises would be suitable for business purposes/storage. Further information from Caroline Caherty at Armagh Parish Office.

**Matt Talbot Prayer Society** prays daily for those enrolled to be freed from addictions through Matt Talbot's intercession. Mass will be celebrated on the first Monday of each month in St Malachy's Church, Armagh at 7.30pm for those struggling with an addiction. The next celebration will be on Mon 7 Nov. If you would like to enrol a name in the Matt Talbot Society please visit the website [www.matttalbotprayersociety.com](http://www.matttalbotprayersociety.com)

**Armagh Holy Spirit Prayer Group** meet each Wednesday at 8pm in the Synod Hall of St. Patrick's Cathedral. All welcome.

**Weddings in Armagh Parish** Congratulations to the many couples who have celebrated their marriage in the Parish over the last number of weeks and best wishes to those couples who are planning to celebrate their marriage in the Parish in the weeks to come. Couples planning to get married in the Parish in 2023/2024 should ensure that they have booked their Church and made contact with their priest to be celebrant on the day. Couples should also ensure that they have booked a Pre Marriage Course with Accord. All enquiries in relation to weddings can be made at Armagh Parish Office.

**October Family Rosary** We encourage parishioners to pray the Rosary or even a decade of it during this month of October, for God's protection. We have been reminded in recent times of the importance of the

"domestic Church" – the Church of the sitting room & kitchen – the Church that meets every time a family stands or kneels down, or sits down to pray together. We've also been reminded of how important is the vocation of parents, to be the primary teachers and leaders of their children in faith and prayer. During this month of October, let us pray for our own families, our loved ones and all are who are struggling with life at this time. St Teresa of Calcutta once said: "Cling to the Rosary as the creeper clings to the tree – for without Our Lady we cannot stand".

**Trocaire** is looking for people to join their team of Christmas fundraisers, to help respond to the urgent need of poor communities around the world, especially the suffering people of East Africa. Training will be provided and if you would like to find out more about what you can do to help, contact Mark McMahon at 028 90908030

**Vocations** Be humble and allow God to do great things through you. (Luke 18:9-14) If you think God is calling you to priesthood, call any priest or The Diocesan Office at 028 37522045

**Christmas Card Sale in aid of Southern Area Hospice** in Myrtle & Neville Pogue's home, 142 Maydown Road, Benburb on Fri 28th Oct 2pm-10pm & Sat 29th Oct 10am-10pm.

**Organ Recital** taking place in St Patrick's RC Cathedral on Sun 6 Nov from 3-4pm. All are welcome.

**Christmas at the Cathedral** An evening of Festive Music and Song with Malachi Cush, Niamh McGlinchey, Karl McGuckin and Andrea Delaney in St Patrick's RC Cathedral on Friday 16 December at 7.30pm. Tickets are now on sale on line.

**Eurovision Broadcast from St Patrick's Cathedral** The 11pm Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral on Christmas Eve will be a Eurovision Broadcast. It will be broadcast live on RTE Television across Ireland and it will also be broadcast across a number of European countries. It's a great privilege to be able to broadcast from our Cathedral this year and preparations for the celebration are already underway. Further information about this will be available in the coming weeks.

**Workshop for Cantors** taking place in St Paul's Church, Mullingar on Sat 12 Nov at 12noon. Further information at [schola@stfianianscollege.ie](mailto:schola@stfianianscollege.ie)

**Southern Trust Remembrance Service** for parents and families who have been bereaved through pregnancy loss or the death of a baby, child or young person takes place in Newry Town Hall on Sunday 27 Nov at 3pm.

**Anam Cara Armagh** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wed 26th Oct at 7:15pm in Armagh City Hotel. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. For more info contact [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or 028 95213120.

**Knock Shrine All Night Vigil** will take place on Wed 7th Dec. Coach £25. For booking & info contact Gabrielle 07933521105.

**Parish Children's Prayer Book** available in the Cathedral Shop. A lovely little Prayer Book for children!

**Fun Bingo** in aid of Armagh Diocesan Lourdes Fund on Sun 30th Oct 3pm-5pm in Pearse Ogs Club. Afternoon Tea & Raffle. Large Book £5; Small Book £3. All welcome.