

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Armagh



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Mass Times

St Patrick's Cathedral
Monday - Saturday: 10am
Sunday Vigil: 6.30pm
Sunday: 11am, 12.30pm & 5.30pm

St Malachy's Church
Monday - Friday: 8am
Mon, Wed & Fri: 7:30pm
Tues & Thurs: Prayer Service - 7:30pm
Sunday: 8am & 9.30am

Church of the Immaculate Conception
Saturday: 7:30pm

St Colmcille's Church
Sunday: 10am

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Baptisms & Weddings - to book your baptism or wedding, please contact the Parish Office.

Dear Friends,
Easter glory fills the sky, Christ now lives no more to die!
Today is the most sacred day in the Church calendar - today we reflect on Jesus' resurrection from the dead, that moment where heaven and earth collided and the gates of eternal life were opened to all who follow Jesus.
There is no more significant feast in the Church and each one of us are invited to celebrate and enter into the mystery accordingly.
Over the last 40 days we have prepared, we have fasted, maybe given up a treat or made a special effort in our prayer life or in our relationships with those around us, let us take stock of the wonderful blessings we have received from our lenten observances - the blessings of a deeper relationship with Jesus and a sense of achievement at having overcome some challenge such as 'giving up' or setting aside a treat for a greater purpose.
Today is a new opportunity for each of us to renew our relationship with the Risen Lord, today is an opportunity to refocus our relationship and to truly place our trust in God's goodness.
The same Jesus whom we accompanied to Calvary, the tomb and now the glory of the resurrection, continues to accompany us on our journeys, in our trials and disappointment and in our joys and blessings.

May I take this opportunity to wish each of you and your families every blessing for this Easter Season - may the joy of the risen Lord fill your hearts and your homes. May I also take this opportunity to thank all those who have made our Lenten and Holy Week journey such a sacred moment and spiritual experience - our Parish clergy and staff, Pastoral Council, Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, our youth volunteers, our sacristans stewards and collectors, the Altar societies, our Altar Servers and Seminarians, the Knights of St. Columbanus, the many people who behind the scenes do so much to help and assist the Parish and of course our wonderful choirs and musicians all of whom have excelled in making these days so very sacred. Most of all I want to thank those who participated, those who attended the Masses and ceremonies - without you our Parish would not exist and I am beyond thankful for the wonderful community that we have here in the Cathedral Parish - each of our unique areas within the Parish have such a special place in our overall Parish and truly make our Parish what it is - may God continue to bless you. Finally to again thank you personally for your support since I took the role of Administrator last September, your prayers and support have been invaluable.

Fr Barry Matthews Adm.

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. Anniversaries are read out at all Masses on weekday and one Sunday Mass. Months Minds will be remembered at the 12:30pm Mass on Sunday following the Months Mind. We request that you leave your anniversary in as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

St Patrick's Cathedral Gift Shop The Cathedral Gift Shop is open each day from 10.30am - 1.30pm and it stocks a wide variety of cards and gifts for special occasions, including traditional Irish crafts and gifts and souvenir booklets on the Cathedral.

St Patrick's Prayer Guild Mass Bouquets and Mass Cards Our new range of Mass Bouquets and Mass Cards are now available in the Cathedral Shop and in the Sacristy of St Malachy's Church after Masses. The 10am Mass each Saturday in the Cathedral is dedicated to St Patrick's intercession and the intentions for these Mass Cards/ Bouquets will all be included in this weekly Mass.

Parish Office The Parish Office is closed on Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd April and will reopen on Wednesday 3rd April at 10am.

Weekly Collection - £6596 & €104.79

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Annie McGirr, Barry O'Brien, Ann McBride, Attracta McFadden, Eugene Campbell, Frank Kernan, Joseph Halligan, Gertrude Maxwell, JP McArdle, Liam McKenna, Gerald McGlone and Kathleen Dougan.

MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Ann McKenna (1st), Kathleen Hyde (4th) & Gay Fox (4th)

May they rest in peace.



Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions, music, prayer and confessions will begin in the Cathedral at 3pm and will conclude at 5:30 with Mass. All are welcome

Mass There will be no 8am Mass this week. Mass times are 10am in St Patrick's Cathedral and 7:30pm in St Malachy's (Tuesday and Thursday - Prayer Service).

Friday is the 1st Friday we will have our Holy Hour following the 7:30pm Mass on Friday evening. No confessions on Thursday.

Easter Outreach Thank you to all those who donated tinned & dried goods for our Easter Outreach campaign. These donations have been shared with St. Vincent de Paul and the Missionaries of Charity. Your generosity is appreciated.

The Friends of St Patrick's Cathedral Fundraising Campaign continues. If you can help, please contact Fr Barry or Caroline in the Parish Office. A special word of thanks to the "Cathedral Ambassadors" who have been visiting Parishes in the Diocese as part of our Fundraising Campaign. Our fundraising is going slowly currently but hopefully we will be able to start work on the Cathedral Steps later in the Spring. Work has recently been done on several damaged stained glass and storm glass panels as well as the installation of new TV screens. We thank all those who have contributed to date.

Parish Bus Trip We are planning a day trip to Downpatrick on Saturday 13th April. We will leave the Cathedral at 8am travelling to Downpatrick where we will have Mass and a guided tour. Please

bring a light packed lunch. On the way home we will stop at the Canal Court for dinner. price £40 incl. 2 course Dinner. Booking at Parish Office.

Parish Envelopes The Parish Envelopes are ready for collection from the Parish Office. Thank you to everyone who helps with the distribution each year.

New Screens have been installed in the Cathedral. We hope to develop these screens in order that hymn lyrics and prayers can be put on them. Your feedback is always appreciated.

Do This in Memory Mass The next Do This in Memory Mass for PS Pupils and their parents will take place on Saturday 6th April at 6:30pm in St. Patrick's Cathedral.

St Joseph's Young Priest Society the next meeting of St. Joseph's Young Priests Society takes place on Wednesday 3rd April in St Vincent de Paul Centre, Chapel Lane immediately following 7.30pm Mass in St. Malachy's Church. All are welcome to join us in praying for much needed Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life.

Prayer for Vocations

O Jesus, send labourers into your fields, which are awaiting holy apostles, saintly priests, heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers. Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation. Grant that Christian families may desire to give your Church, helpers in the work of tomorrow. Amen.

