

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

Tuesday - 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

Confessions in St Malachy's Church on Saturdays @ 12 noon.

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

SVP Helpline: 07733 482604

Dear Friends,

All good things come from Jesus !

This week's Gospel is a reminder to us that all good things, everything that gives us life comes from God. Often we forget to thank God for the blessings and yet today we hear that our closeness to God guarantees an abundance of graces.

This past week in Armagh has been a blessing, and this weekend we gather to offer our thanks to God for all the wonderful moments that have brought such joy to our community. These days are all about community, today as we gather in thanksgiving we celebrate as a community - we know that there are many days where we gather to support each other in sad days too - that is at the heart of community - being there for one another and supporting each other in good times and sad times.

The stories that have been shared and the people whose names were recounted during these days remind us that these days are what memories are made of - and indeed the memories will be blessed ones.

On behalf of myself, the parish team and the entire faith community, I want to congratulate Kieran, Aidan and the entire team on their historic achievement, I want to thank them for their witness to genuine goodness over these days and to wish them every blessing and continued happiness.

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.

Mass Cards and Mass Bouquets are also available before and after Mass in the Sacristy of St Malachy's Church

Visitation Anyone wishing to receive a visit from a Priest or have a house blessing are invited to leave their name, address, postcode and phone number in the Parish Office. Anyone who is aware of a family member, friend or neighbour who is housebound are invited to let the Parish Office know to ensure those most in need are attended to. Family Members are reminded to ensure that their loved ones in Hospital are seen by the Hospital Chaplain on duty and that they receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

Weekly Collection
£5255 & €158.47

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Damien McConville, Una Donnelly, Paolo Taffi, Ann Toal, Celine McKenna, Brendan Raftery, Peter Kennedy, Sean McGuigan, Laurence McCay, Ann Doyle, Eithne O'Hare and Rosemary McKee,

MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Pat Donaghy (4th), Patrick McKenna (5th) and Caroline Jefferies (7th).

May they rest in peace.



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, loving Father,
For all your gifts to us.
Blessed are You for giving us family and friends
To be with us in times of joy and sorrow,
To help us in days of need,
And to rejoice with us in moments of celebration..

Father,
We praise You for Your Son Jesus,
Who knew the happiness of family and friends,
And in the love of Your Holy Spirit.
Blessed are you for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Fundraising Campaign A special word of thanks to all those who contributed to the fundraising appeal so far. We are still a long way off our target and are appealing once again for your support. The Cathedral stands tall as an icon of hope for us at home and many who have moved away from our city. Let us work together to ensure we can hand on this magnificent building to the next generations. Please do spread the word. Become a 'Friend' or 'Benefactor' of the Cathedral by making a donation or signing up to a direct payment. Feel free to speak to Fr Barry about this worthwhile cause.

Parish Buildings Over the summer months we can see an increase in anti-social behaviour and unauthorised access to some parish properties. We encourage parishioners to remain vigilant and if you see any suspicious activity please let us or the PSNI know.



Adoration Please consider spending an hour with the Lord each week. Our Eucharistic Adoration takes place each day in St Malachy's Church from after Mass (8:30am weekdays) until evening (7pm weekdays - 5pm weekend). Please sign the attendance sheet in the Church & encourage family and friends to engage with this special apostolate.

St Patrick's Cathedral Rosary Group invite you to join them in reciting the Holy Rosary each morning (Monday- Saturday) before 10am Holy Mass, beginning at 9.30am. Those unable to attend can listen online. All welcome.

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.

Sympathies We extend our sympathies to Giacomo, our seminarian, and his family following the death of his father, Paolo Taffi. Our prayers are with you & your family at this sad time.

Theology Programme Do you want to learn more about your faith? Do you want more confidence to play a role in your parish? If you are interested, why not consider joining our Theology programme. The programme is accredited by St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. There are no educational entry requirements, and completion of the course is based on submitted work and does not include sitting exams. Our Theology programme will be starting late September. If you are interested contact Milanda on 00353 429342954/milanda@parishandfamily.ie. All are welcome.



National Day of Intercession for Priests with Sr. Breige Mc Kenna in Knock Shrine on Monday 5th August. Coach £25. Booking with Gabrielle 07933 521105 or Catherina 07899 810181

Legion of Mary welcome new members to join our Junior (7-11yo's) and Intermediate (12- 17yo's) groups on Mondays in SVP Centre, 1-5 Chapel Lane, Armagh. We pray the Rosary, learn more about our Faith, make new friends and become more involved in Church life. More Information can be found on the Parish website. For more info contact Denise: 07856172206

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society warmly invite you to join them on the Feast of the Assumption for the celebration of Holy Mass at 6pm on Thursday 15th August at St. Brigid's Shrine, Faughart, just a short distance from Dundalk. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael Router. Tradition holds that Faughart is the birthplace of St. Brigid, Ireland's most celebrated female Saint, and 2024 is a special year marking the 1500th anniversary of her death. As there are no facilities at the Shrine for providing hospitality you may consider bringing some refreshments. For further details contact 07752409636.

Mass of Blessing for Armagh GAA Thank you to everyone who came to our Mass of Blessing on 27th June. Thank you to local businesses and parishioners who provided refreshments for after Mass. Thank you to everyone who helped on the day.

Congratulations also to Daniel Wiffen, former student in St Patrick's Grammar School, on his Olympics success winning Gold for Ireland in the 800m freestyle swimming final in Paris. We are all proud of you!

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association

The aim of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart is the promotion of sobriety and temperance through

- faith and prayer,
- self-denial leading to inner freedom;
- setting beneficial example to others;
- presenting alternatives to the drinking scene, particularly to young people;
- advocating the ideals and values of temperance and sobriety in society.



The aspiration of a Pioneer is to build a society where people live to their full potential. We reach out to those who suffer from alcohol-related harm. The Pioneer, like all Christians, is convinced that the love of God, as revealed in Jesus, is central to their lives. Pioneers are people who kindle the fire of God's love in the hearts of others. The Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart was established in Gardiner Street, Dublin by Fr James Cullen SJ, Mrs Anne Egan, Miss Lizzie Power, Mrs Mary Bury and Mrs A.M. Sullivan.

Anyone interested in undertaking the 'pledge' to abstain from alcohol or illegal drugs are encouraged to contact our parish representative Mrs Stella Mallon on 07935167870.

Tuesday is the Feast of the Transfiguration

Transfiguration Prayer

On the mountain you were transfigured, O Christ God,
And your disciples beheld your glory as far as they were able
So that when they would behold You crucified,
They would understand that Your suffering was voluntary,
And would proclaim to the world,
That You are truly the radiance of the Father.
Amen