# 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** Sunday: 10am

**St Colmcille's Church** Saturday: 6pm

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,

"The life and death of each of us has its influence on others ..." these words from St Paul to the Romans (14:7) really highlight the legacy of our late Holy Father, Francis RIP. The display of affection that was shown in the wake of his passing, coupled with the images of his humble lifestyle and wonderfully prophetic words truly touched the hearts of many. Indeed reading through the notes of condolences it was lovely to read how his ministry bearing witness to the love and mercy of God, truly brought people back to the practice of the faith.

Like the disciples in today's Gospel, we too can become downcast thinking that there is nothing more we can do to encourage those in our family and community to recognise God in their lives - however this is untrue - cast your nets again asked Jesus, this is His mission call to you and me this weekend - don't be despondent but rather Hope! These days of the Easter season are precious moments where we come to again renew our relationship with the Risen Jesus - Jesus is no longer in the tomb but walks among us and speaks through the scriptures and His Church.

As we pray during these days - let us pray for the Cardinal Electors of the Church, that they may be open to the Holy Spirit in electing a Successor of Peter who will be a witness to the love and mercy of Jesus Christ. Many Vatican observers will comment during these days but let us not doubt God's plan being unveiled by the work of the

Again I want to thank everyone who facilitated, participated and attended the moving moments of prayer for the late Holy Father, the Requiem Mass was a particularly moving moment which was both a moment of prayer and thanksgiving.

> With every blessing, 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 or 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 lovely 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 are 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.

<u>Visitation</u> Anyone wishing to receive a visit from a Priest or have a house blessing are invited to leave their contact details 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.

**Good Friday Collection** £4135 & €66.69

Weekly Collection - £5837 & €144.46

### RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Frank Sheridan, Attracta O'Connor, Jimmy McKinney, and Stephen Corrigan.

#### MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Paul Parks (4th), Bridie McDonald (5th), Kenneth Graham (7th), Kieran McCauley (9th) and James Gribben (10th)



Divine Mercy Chaplet We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm in of every month there will be Adoration & Prayer Ministry. All St Patrick's Cathedral on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the newcomers welcome. Jubilee of Hope. Please feel free to join us in person or online for this special moment of prayer.

fundraising campaign and you can support it in many ways, firstly addiction. Please spread the word. and most importantly please pray for the project that God may inspire and provide for its success, secondly if you or someone who you are Spam Correspondence Please note that the parish or any of the close to can support our project please consider it as the Cathedral priests will not send emails seeking your personal information or any truly is an icon of hope. Our aim is to ensure that it remains so for transfer of funds. If you receive an email purporting to be from the future generations, however we must act now as there are aspects that parish and are unsure about it please do get in contact. Often the name need urgent attention. Please feel free to speak with me directly on the email does not match the actual email address - please be should you have any questions. Fr Barry

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on 25th May 2025. Jubilee Sunday Our "Jubilee Sunday" afternoons at the Cathedral The Knights of St Columbanus have organised a bus to leave the begin this weekend - we have invited parishes within the pastoral Parish . Cost: £20 per person. Booking in the Parish Office. Further areas of the Archdiocese to visit for a time on Sunday afternoons and details to follow.

Legion of Mary The Legion of Mary will lead a Rosary at Our Lady's statue at Dalton on each Monday during May at 8.10pm.

Eucharistic Adoration takes place each day in St Malachy's Church intention into the care of our blessed mother. from after Mass (8:30am weekdays) until evening (7pm weekdays -5pm weekend). Please sign the attendance sheet in the Church & encourage family & friends to engage with this special apostolate.

Adoration from 7-10pm each Thursday in the Adoration Chapel to pray for priesthood and vocations.

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.

Vocations Society of St. Joseph ( formerly St Joseph's Young Priests Society) The next Branch meeting will take place on Wednesday 7th May in St. Vincent de Paul Centre, Ogle Street, following 7.30pm Mass in St. Malachy's Church. All are welcome to join us in praying the Rosary for much needed Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life, followed by a short

**Legion of Mary** welcome new members to join our Junior (7-11yo's) and Intermediate (12-17yo's)groups on Mondays 3pm 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.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults welcome new members. RCIA is for people who have not been Baptised or have not received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation. We also welcome Catholics who have been away from the Church and wish to learn about their Faith. We meet every Tues at 7.30pm in St Catherine's Irish Secondary School. For more info 07856 172206

All Ireland Rosary Rally will take place in Knock Shrine on Saturday 7th June. Coach £25. To book contact Gabrielle 07933 521105 or Catherina 07899 810181

Armagh Parish Holy Spirit Prayer Group welcome you to join us at the Synod Hall on Tuesday evenings from 8-9.30pm to experience spiritual growth and community. Rosary at 7.45pm. The last Tuesday

Ven. Matt Talbot Relics - Tomorrow (Monday) May 5th we will welcome the relics of Ven. Matt Talbot to St Malachy's Church. The Fundraising Update We take this opportunity to thank all those who relics will arrive at 6pm for veneration & prayer, Mass will begin at have so generously supported our on-going fundraising campaign. We 7:30pm and the relics will be solemnly removed at 9pm. Ven. Matt have several key projects that we are hoping to begin over the next Talbot is known for his courage in the battle against addiction & is few months however we need to ensure that we have the funds venerated by addicts and their loved ones accordingly. All are available in order to begin. We ask and encourage you to join our welcome to join in praying for those affected by the heavy cross of

vigilant regarding scammers at this time.

to join for a guided tour and for Mass at 5:30pm. We warmly welcome our guests and ask God's blessing on their visit to Armagh.

May Prayers During May we continue to pray for the increase of faith in our parish especially among our young adults. We place this

First Holy Communion We congratulate the Children who have received their first Holy Communion this weekend and wish the children who are preparing to receive over the next few weeks every blessing. A special range of gift items for 1st Holy Communion & Confirmation is available in the Parish shop.

Weddings Couples who are planning their Wedding are reminded that in this Parish we require 6 months notice. If you are planning on being married in any of the Parish Churches please do make contact with Claire in the parish office and any of the priests.

Cemeteries We thank parishioners who care so faithfully for the graves of our loved ones in the parish cemeteries. We remind you of the "clear lawn policy" and ask that benches are not placed in the cemeteries without permission.



#### Prayer for the Year of Jubilee

Father in heaven. may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

> May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

