

# 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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#### Dear Friends.

Today we celebrate the great Feast Day of Saints Peter & Paul, the two great leaders of the early Church. St Peter was the one chosen by Jesus to lead the early Church and to build and consolidate the structures - St Paul once persecuted Christians but following his conversion on the Road to Damascus he became a great evangelist and was gifted in his interpretations of the Words of Jesus.

This year more than ever we are so aware of the importance of the role of the Pope, the successors of St Peter and we see clearly how the voice of the Church can speak to the political and social realities we face in an impartial way seeking peace, justice and fairness for all. We are all called however to use our voice, like St Paul to bring others closer to Jesus - we are called to a renewed conversion of heart each day and to share the "Good News" with those we encounter - family, Friends, Community etc

Incidentally, last Sunday after our beautiful Corpus Christi procession, I watched Pope Leo walking with the Blessed Sacrament through Rome and one of the commentators stated how he couldn't believe how close he got to the Pope!! We can all be a little blind to Jesus in our midst - today let us reawaken ourselves to His presence in our everyday realities.

This weekend we welcome those who have returned home for the "Blessing of the Graves" in St Patrick's Cemetery, the love and dedication shown by the entire community for our beloved dead is testimony to the impact they have made in our lives. We pray for their souls and ask God to receive them into their heavenly homeland. I want to thank all those who keep the cemeteries in our Parish so well maintained, our ground staff and you, our parishioners whose dedication is unfailing. Today we remember all those who handed on the gifts of faith, hope and love to us and in their honour and memory we strive to hand it to those coming after us.

### 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.

Visitation 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.

#### Weekly Collection £6842 & €270.40

### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

We pray for: Kieran McParland, Margaret McManus, Jim Cullen, Colm Reavey, John McGeown, Margo Knipe, Yvonne McArdle, Pauline Vallely and John Halligan.

## MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Tom McGurgan (29th), Frank Hughes (1st), Ann Baxter (3rd), Elizabeth Mallon (4th) and Kathleen Loughran (5th)

May they rest in peace.



blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with mercy of God. lively sorrow for my sins, I offer you this poor assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.

St Oliver Plunkett 400th Anniversary - UPDATE! To mark the welcome. 400th anniversary of the birth of St Oliver a special ceremony will take place in Drogheda on Sunday July 6th. We have arranged a bus Fundraising CD A song written by Willie Nugent titled "The to travel to Drogheda from St Malachy's Church leaving at Steps" (about the steps at St Patrick's Cathedral Armagh) has been 11:30am and returning at approx. 6:30pm Anyone wishing to travel released on CD. The song was recorded in The Dublin Studio Hub &

Prayer in honour of St Oliver Plunkett - Feast Day – 1st July

All are welcome. Please bring a packed lunch with you.

Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the faith and courage of St Oliver Plunkett and all the Martyrs of Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. In their time and place, they gave heroic witness to your mercy and love, even in the face of hostility and hatred. St Oliver

Plunkett was a man of peace and worked tirelessly to promote justice Fundraising Update Many thanks to all those who have supported and peace wherever the road of life brought him. We ask you to give us something of Saint Oliver Plunkett's faith and courage. In

particular, moved by his example of prayerful trust in your mercy, we ingress, loose mosaics and the iconic steps at the front. These issues ask you through his intercession for this special intention.....

Help us to give witness to you in our homes, schools and places of work and play now and always. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

St Oliver Plunkett, Pray for us

All Holv Martvrs of vesterday. today and tomorrow, Pray for us

Divine Mercy Chaplet We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm in St Patrick's Cathedral on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the Jubilee of Hope. Please feel free to join us in person or online for this special moment of prayer.

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 & friends to engage with this special apostolate.

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

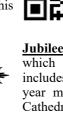
Praver for Vocations O Jesus, send labourers into your fields, which are awaiting holy apostles, saintly priests, heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers. Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation. Grant that Christian families may desire to give your Church, helpers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

Thanks Big thanks to all those who participated in last week's Corpus Christi Procession. A special thanks to the children, the Jubilus Choir, the Do This in Memory Team, the Knights of Columbanus, the Legion of Mary, Mary's Meals and all groups who were represented.

Divine Mercy Monthly Mass All are welcome for the first Thursday Divine Mercy Mass at St Colmcille's Church, Knockaconey on 3rd July. Confessions starts at 7pm with Rosary/Mass at 7.30pm. It is



Knock Shrine Sr Briege Mckenna, Mon 4th Aug. Coach £25 Gabrielle 07933521105 Catherina 07899810181



O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every surely a wonderful time to commit our families and ourselves to the

heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure Legion of Mary welcome new members to join our Junior (7-11yo's) and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, good and Intermediate (12- 17yo's) groups on Mondays 3pm in SVP Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Centre, 1-5 Chapel Lane, Armagh. We pray the Rosary, learn more Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me about our Faith, make new friends and become more involved in in my afflictions. Give me health of body, Church life. More Information can be found on the Parish website.

> The Legion of Mary will lead a Rosary at Our Lady's statue in Dalton on the first Monday evening of each month throughout the summer after 7.30pm Mass at the request of local residents. All are

are asked to book your free seat in advance through the Parish office. is sung by Larry Hogan. The CDs are £5 each with the entire proceeds going towards Cathedral funds. are available at the following outlets; Cathedral Shop, Raffles, Curran's Spar Shop, Macari's Newsagents ,Dessie's and Armagh Blooms.

> Armagh Parish Holy Spirit Prayer Group Please note we will be taking a break over the summer and will resume in September. We pray that you all have a Blessed and Safe summer.

> our Cathedral Fundraising to date, as you are aware there are many areas that need to be addressed in the Cathedral, such as water are all in progress however the damage from storm Eowyn resulted in our focus shifting to the roof where extensive damage was caused resulting in the need to get a crane to repair slates and the lightning conductor throughout the building. We continue to seek



your generosity in assisting us to build a fund that can enable us to undertake these important repairs - all monies donated for Cathedral repairs are ring fenced for that purpose only. If you are in a position to assist with our fundraising efforts please do contact Fr Barry or any member of our finance committee. For more information or to make a donation, please scan the QR Code.

Jubilee Passport We have recently developed a "Jubilee Passport" which can be stamped here in St Patrick's Cathedral, and also includes a pilgrimage stamp to St Peters in Drogheda for this major year marking 400 years since St Oliver Plunkett's birth and the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Coleman in Newry. Each of these Churches are special Jubilee Pilgrim Sites and a plenary indulgence can be obtained by visiting these special sites.

Mary's Meals A collection for Mary's Meals will be taken up at all Masses in the parish next weekend, 5th & 6th July. 10p pays for a single meal for a child and £19.15 for school meals for one child for one year. In this Jubilee Year of Hope let's give some hope to starving children.

Rally for Life A Bus will be going to the Rally for Life in Dublin on Saturday 5th July leaving St Malachy's at 9am. All are welcome. For info contact: 07899810181 / 07596501003

School Reunion To celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Sacred Heart Intermediate School, a reunion is planned for all those who attended from 1955 to 1973. The reunion takes place on Sunday 21st September 2025 from 2pm to 6pm in the current school (now known as Coláiste Chaitríona, Ard Mhacha). Further details to follow.

