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,

Today's Gospel recounts the moment where Jesus visits the home of Martha and Mary - I often think of this Gospel passage as it is stark in its message - that we should be conscious while in Jesus' presence and listen to his Word. Today's Gospel acts as a reminder that Jesus visits our homes also - when we invite Him in.

We live in a world where often the Good News is drowned out by the routine and hustle and bustle of everyday things and there are many people who lose sight of the sacred - many people are unaware of the presence of God in their midst. Today as we reflect upon whether we are more like Martha or Mary, we too can ask God to give us the courage to serve him and to listen to his word in equal measure...

Here in our parish, we are blessed to have Adoration each day in St Malachy's Church and those special moments at 3pm in the Cathedral (Mon, Wed & Fri) where we come face to face with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament - these are moments where we listen quietly to His voice in the depths of our heart and also where we can work with God through our prayers of intercession for the intentions deep in our hearts. Maybe this week it would be worth considering if you had an hour to spend with Jesus in listening silence opening your heart to hearing His

Can I please ask you to be vigilant around Parish properties—vandalism and breakins have been an issue over the summer months.

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

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

Weekend 12/13 July—£6,081 & €147.76

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Dymphna Conway, Emma Patterson, Briege Cullen, Jean Wong, Gerard O'Rourke, Cora Fields, Gerald Mackle, Dr. George Sam, Margaret Cawley, Margaret Donnelly, Colleen Williams and Fearghal Donnelly.

MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Margaret McManus (21st), Kieran McParland (), Agnes Cox (26th) and Patricia (Pat) Oliver (25th).

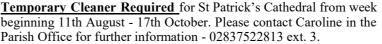


Divine Mercy Chaplet We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm in St Patrick's Cathedral on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the Jubilee of Hope. Please feel free to join us in person or online for this special moment of prayer.

Eucharistic Adoration takes place each day in St Church from after (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.

<u>Prayer for Vocations</u> 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.



Fundraising CD A song written by Willie Nugent titled "The Steps" (about the steps at St Patrick's Cathedral Armagh) has been - A supportive community of men dedicated to spiritual growth. released on CD. The CD was a great success and Willie has now informed us that they have all sold out—we thank Willie for his How to Join: continued support of the Cathedral fundraising and his generosity. If you feel called to this sacred duty, to keep watch and pray for one Willie recently presented us with a cheque for £1,000.

Fundraising Update Many thanks to all those who have supported our Cathedral Fundraising to date, as you are aware there are many areas that need to be addressed in the Cathedral, such as water ingress, loose mosaics and the iconic steps at the front. These issues Pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 7th-14th September. £570 per 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



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.

Missionaries of Charity Summer Play Scheme for children aged 5-10 years will take place in The Recreation and Community Centre, Cathedral Rd, Armagh for two weeks: 4th-8th August and 11th-15th August. Registration forms are available from the sisters. For more information call 02837528654



Men's Adoration Group - Parish of Armagh

Could you not watch one hour with Me? [Mt.26:40]

Join Us on the First Friday of Every Month

Are you seeking a deeper connection with your faith? Do you feel called to make a meaningful sacrifice for Jesus? Join the Men's Adoration Group at the Parish of Armagh.

On the first Friday of each month, we gather to keep Jesus company, just as He invited a small group of men to do so on the night of His Passion. Between the hours of 9 PM and 9 AM, each man dedicates one hour to guard and pray before the Blessed Sacrament.

Why Participate?

In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus asked His disciples to sit with Him, to watch and pray during His time of agony. By dedicating one hour of your night, you will:

- Reflect on His sacrifice.
- Deepen your personal relationship with Christ.
- Experience a profound sense of peace and fulfilment.

What to Expect:

- A quiet, contemplative environment.
- A chance to reflect and pray in the presence of the Blessed

hour during the night on the First Friday, we welcome you. This is an opportunity to make a meaningful sacrifice and to grow in faith alongside your fellow parishioners. For more information or to sign up, please contact 07732220632.

person sharing. For further information and booking contact:

Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage—Maxi Quiz Night on Thursday July

24th at 8:30pm in Mickey Kelly's Bar

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.

24th at 8:30pm in Mickey Kelly's Bar

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Lord, infinitely holy and glorified in Your saints, You have inspired Charbel, the saint monk, to lead the perfect life of a hermit. We thank You for granting him the blessing and the strength to detach himself from the world so that the heroism of the monastic virtues of poverty. chastity, and obedience might triumph in his hermitage. We beseech You to grant us the grace of loving and serving You, following his example. Almighty God, who have manifested the power of Saint Charbel's intercession through his countless miracles and favours, grant us this grace (here mention your intention)

which we request from You through his intercession. 1915 Amen.

