

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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- to book your

baptism or wedding, please contact the

Parish Office.

SVP Helpline: 07733 482604

Dear Friends,

Friends, the fire that Jesus speaks of in today's Gospel is the fire of the holy Spirit! Jesus is reminding us that the material ways of this world can sometimes distort our view of what's really important - which is our deeper relationship with God.

Often we can tend to lose sight of God and sometimes even those closest to us can block us from seeing God working in and through us. We are all called to be saints and to lead those we love to live saintly lives by the example that we show and our witness to God's love in our lives. This is a difficult Gospel as Jesus speaks of the discontent that we often face even when we are doing the right thing, sometimes those closest to us are the ones who reject the Good News and as we know prophets are often rejected in their own place.

We are all aware of the need to place our lives into God's hands and that is why gathering together as a community is so important. Next Weekend we are invited to spend some sacred time with Jesus praying for peace especially for the poor people of Gaza and the Holy Land. Our gatherings won't include any political symbolism, just purely prayer for peace and a call for aid for those who are so clearly suffering. As a faith community we are called to join our prayers together and place our trust in God. Archbishop Eamon quoted Cardinal Pizzaballa when he stated "Christ is not absent from Gaza. He is here, crucified in the wounded, buried under rubble and yet present in every act of mercy, every candle in the darkness, every hand extended to the suffering." Let us unite with the suffering people as we unite with God in prayer.

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

£5693 & €248.90

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for:

Colm McAuley, Gerry Gribbon, Kevin Leer,

Kevin Kennedy, Geraldine Kelly and Joe Powell.


MONTHS MIND

We pray for:

Anthony McEneaney (20th), Emma Paterson (20th)

and Joseph Dotters (24th)

May they rest in peace.



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.

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. Amen.

Weekly Envelope Update

This year in April we distributed 1300 boxes of envelopes - a special word of thanks to all those who use the envelope as a means of contributing to the Parish - it is most appreciated. On Average we receive about 40% of the envelopes each week (incl. those who pay by DD/SO through the bank). The benefit to the Parish of the envelope system is that we can claim an additional 25% in the form of "Gift Aid" from the government on all donations received this way. I would encourage you to please consider using the envelope or considering a regular direct payment through the bank - forms can be got in the Parish office and on the website.

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.



Readers/Eucharistic Ministers

If anyone is interested in becoming a reader or a Eucharistic minister at Mass in our Parish, please contact Claire in the Parish Office.

St Patrick's Parochial Hall

- Work has been on-going on the front of the Parochial Hall with a view that the space can be used as a welcome hub for tour groupings to the Cathedral as well as for parish meetings etc. Over the next few weeks we will have an opportunity to open the space for parishioners to see the works completed.

Let's Talk About Faith

is getting together Thursday 21st August at the SVP Centre for a round table chat on an Introduction to The Catechism of the Catholic Church. We'll start off at 7:15 pm with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament—a calm, peaceful moment to pause and reflect before the conversation begins. After that, it's tea, good company, and a relaxed, thoughtful talk where everyone's welcome to join in. Whether you want to explore big questions, meet new people, or just hang out in a friendly space, this is your spot. Everyone's invited—hope to see you there!

Prayer for Today

Loving God, help me to understand that the one thing you want from me is my presence. Help me to realise that my presence is the one gift I can give and that it is often the only gift that matters. Help me to let go of stress, worry, hurt, pain and grudges. All I need is to be more aware of Your presence in my life today and always. Amen.

Day of Prayer and Reflection for Gaza

Saturday 23rd August—Sunday 24 August

Schedule

6:30pm

7:30pm - 9pm

9pm

9:45pm

11pm

11:30pm - 7am

3am

6am

8am

10:30am

11am

12:30pm

3pm

5pm

5:30pm

Mass

Confessions

Procession around St Patrick's Cathedral

Benediction

Night Prayer

Overnight Adoration

Divine Mercy

Office of Readings

Morning Prayer

Rosary



Mass


Mass

Divine Mercy Hour

Rosary

Mass





What is Apostolic Work?

Apostolic Work started in Belfast in 1923 to help Missionary Priests and Nuns in their Missionary Work. This is done by:

* Prayer

* Supplying Sacred Vessels, Vestments etc. (everything a priest needs to say Mass)

* Providing essential help for food, water, medicine etc.

In 1939 Cardinal MacRory introduced Apostolic Work to Armagh. Margaret Colgan, the first President, spread this work throughout the Archdiocese - later it flourished throughout Ireland. Thankfully 85 years later it continues here, due to the generosity of time and money given by the people of Armagh and Armagh Archdiocese.

Some people think it's just a group of ladies who sew and knit, it is more than that! Requests come into our office, 13 College St, constantly and many Missionaries call in person. The needs vary. One priest writes “Whilst excited in setting up a new Mission, sober reality sets in. We turn to the only Association which can supply Mass kits, Chalices, Ciboria, Monstrances, Crucifixes, Sick Call sets, pyx...etc - and for free.”

An Armagh nun writes, “The children, women and men are existing on eating grass and drinking dirty water in this famine area in Ethiopia. Can you help?” Of course we can help, but only because of you, our faithful members!

Can you enable us to continue? All help goes immediately to these Missionaries with little cost. Last year 80 Missionaries were helped in Ghana, Peru, Mexico, Zambia, Kenya, Malawi, Pakistan, Nigeria, Uganda, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe, South Sudan, Brazil, Myanmar and Philippines.

Donations can be given to any member of Apostolic Work or to 13 College St. Direct Debit & Gift Aid Forms, also available. Please support our Missionaries. All enquiries to 02837522781 or 07857863603.

Mother Angeline Society Clonoe

welcomes St Pope John Paul II Relic - Sat 23rd, St Patrick's Church , Clonoe, 9am-9pm with Mass @ 7.30pm and Sun 24th St Brigid's Church, Brocagh, 9am-2pm with Mass @ 11am.

