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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SVP Helpline: 07733 482604

Dear Friends,

Material possessions, do we own them or do they own us? This is the question that Jesus poses in today's readings when we are invited to look past the things of earth to that which will stand to us for our eternal salvation.

This weekend's Gospel can sometimes be misinterpreted, it is a deep Gospel that calls each of us to look at how we live and how we hold possessions. St Paul in the second reading speaks of greed and I think that this is the key to understanding the message of this weekend's readings. We live in a world where wealth is vastly unbalanced - the number of people living in starving / famine conditions with very little nutrition is heartbreaking while half of the world's wealth is held by <2% of the global population. I'm conscious of Matthew's Gospel (6:24) where we are reminded that we cannot serve two masters God & money!

This week we are challenged to look at how we live - what we own, what we waste, how we support those less fortunate than ourselves. We are called to look at our attitude towards the items we own - are we truly thankful, do we put what we have to the benefit of others, are we careful about what we do with our money ensuring that we buy from ethical sources. Do we care for the planet in how we live, are we conscious of where our waste ends up, do we use power wisely. These are all important questions but if each of us are more aware of how we live and our impact on others than we can make a difference - it all started with the One - each one of us can make a difference. A great friend of mine always said to me "Do one thing - do something".

> 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 £6080 & €186.47

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Joe Powell, Joseph Dotters, Maria Mackey, Anthony McEneaney, Dolores Hannon, Dympna Conway, Emma Patterson, Briege Cullen, Jean Wong, Gerald Mackle and Dr. George Sam.

MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Margaret Cawley (3rd), Margaret Donnelly (4th) and Cora Fields (9th)



Divine Mercy Chaplet We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm in The Legion of Mary will lead a Rosary at Our Lady's statue in St Patrick's Cathedral on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the Dalton on the first Monday evening of each month throughout the Jubilee of Hope. Please feel free to join us in person or online for this summer after 7.30pm Mass at the request of local residents. All are 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 The Holy Rosary is a powerful tool to help the faithful understand



benefit to the Parish of the envelope system is sacramentals of the Catholic Church. 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.

Sacramentals of the Catholic Church.

With advances in technology, the Holy Rosary is now recited daily from the altar in the Cathedral at 9:30am each weekday, including Saturdays, before 10:00am mass, allowing those who are unable to attend mass in person, to connect and pray with parishioners in the Cathedral each morning.

Jubilee Passport We have recently developed a "Jubilee Passport" which can be stamped here in St Patrick's Cathedral, and also Saturdays. 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.

Saint Vincent de Paul trip to Strangford Lough on Wednesday 13th August is now fully booked. All those going on the trip are asked to make their payment of £10 on Wednesday 6th August at 11am in Malachy's Centre, Chapel Lane. Thank you!

Vocations Society of St. Joseph (formerly St. Joseph's Young Priests Society) invite you to join them on the Feast of the Assumption for the celebration of Holy Mass at 6pm, Friday, 15 August at St. Brigid's Shrine, Faughart, just a short distance from Dundalk. For further details contact 07752409636.



Divine Mercy Monthly Mass All are welcome for the first Thursday Divine Mercy Mass at St Colmcille's Church, Knockaconey on 7th August. Confessions starts at 7pm with Rosary/Mass at 7.30pm. It is surely a wonderful time to commit our families and ourselves to the mercy of God.

welcome. Next rosary Monday 4th August

Charles Wood Summer School takes place this year from 10th-17th August. Events happening within our Parish:

12th Aug - Sung Mass in St Malachy's Church at 7:30pm Bach at Twilight in St Malachy's Church at 8:30pm

17th Aug - Sung Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral at 11am For more info visit www.charleswoodsummerschool.org/events.

St Patrick's Cathedral Rosary Group

"The Rosary is my favourite prayer" St. Pope John Paul II

The Rosary Group in St. Patricks Cathedral Armagh was founded over 30 years ago by a group of dedicated local parishioners who wanted to gather together and pray the Holy Rosary as one. The Holy Rosary has been recited almost every weekday since, with some of those original members still attending today.

appreciated. On Average we receive about 40% of the envelopes and live the mysteries of the Gospel. It is an enormous source of each week (incl. those who pay by DD/SO through the bank). The grace and spiritual protection and one of the most powerful

The Rosary Group are keen for new parishioners to join them either in the Cathedral or online, each weekday morning, including

"If families give Our Lady 15 minutes a day by reciting the Holy Rosary, I assure them that their homes will become, by God's grace, peaceful places...the family that prays together, stays together" - Fr. Patrick Pevton

Patron Saint of the Rosary Feast Day: 8th August

O God, you have enlightened your Church by the eminent virtues and preaching of St. Dominic, your confessor.

Mercifully grant that by his prayers we may be protected against temporal necessities and daily improve in all that is spiritually good.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph most kind, bless us now and at the hour of our death. O Lord, deliver us from a sudden and unprovided death.

God of Truth you gave your church a new light in the life and preaching of our Father Dominic. Give us the help we need to support our preaching by holy and simple lives. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Amen.

St Dominic, Pray for Us

