



# 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.

**St Patrick's Cathedral: 028 3752 2638**  
**St Malachy's Church: 028 3751 0516**

**Sacristans:** Roger Duggan, Gary McGuirk  
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## Parish Contacts

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## Baptisms & Weddings

To book a baptism or wedding, please  
contact the Parish Office.

[www.armaghparish.net](http://www.armaghparish.net)

**SVP Helpline:** 07733 482604

Dear Friends,

The Disciples desire for an increase in Faith is central to the Gospel reading today, a mere desire for faith is enough. This week has seen a wonderful response to our invitation for the faith community to come together in Faith, Hope and Charity as we journeyed on our pilgrim way together, hearing words filled with hope and displaying God's presence in and through our speakers. Of course we would have liked more people to have come to hear the inspirational stories of hope but those who came in large numbers were nourished in a way that the world around us just can't nourish us.

These past day's have been an opportunity for us to retreat from the noise and mundane of the outside world and connect meaningfully with God through Word and Sacrament. Whatever worries we carry - we have heard how our petitions are always heard and answered in ways that we can't imagine or understand.

This weekend we give thanks, we step back to thank God for all the blessings of our faith community and we give thanks for all the wonderful volunteers who do so much to support that community. Each member of our community have an important role to play either in a ministry of service within the Church, offering an invitation to others or just turning up and being part. When we gather together we strengthen each other, we support each other and we nourish each other through the grace of God who is present among us.

As special word of thanks to those who attended, participated and those who spread the word about our Week of Hope. May God's Hope remain in our hearts, our homes and our community all our days.

*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

£5949.50 & €206.88

## Peter's Pence Collection

£2665 & €16.10

## RECENTLY DECEASED

*We pray for:* Pat Woods, Cathal McQuade, Seamus Knipe, Paul Mackey, Sean Boylan, Margaret Kelly and Brendan White.

## MONTHS MIND

*We pray for:* Dessie McAuley (5th), Ann McAuley (5th), Gerry Mallon (8th)

*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.



**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 & community. Rosary at 7.45pm. All welcome.

**St Oliver Plunkett** To mark the 50th Anniversary of the Canonisation of St Oliver Plunkett, Archbishop Eamon will lead a special Evening Prayer Service in St Patrick's Cathedral on Fri 10th Oct at 6:30pm, followed by refreshments in the Synod Hall. All welcome.

**Divine Mercy Mass & the Feast of St Maria Faustina** All are welcome for the monthly Divine Mercy Mass/Feast of St Maria Faustina at St Colmcille's Church, Knockaconey on 9th October. Confessions starts at 7pm with Chaplet/Mass at 7.30pm. Here, we commit our families and ourselves to the mercy of God. **Please note change of date for this month only.**

**Feast of the Holy Rosary—Day of Thanksgiving** All are welcome to join in celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the founding of the Missionaries of Charity on 7th October with a day spent in prayer and thanksgiving. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9am in the Convent Chapel (19a Cathedral Road), closing with Benediction and Mass at 6pm. All are welcome.

**Cathedral Fundraising** The campaign to raise much needed funds for St Patrick's Cathedral is ongoing. Thank you to all those who have supported us to date. Anyone who is in a position to support the fundraising please contact Fr Barry, Caroline in the Parish Office or scan this QR Code .



**Vocations Society of St. Joseph** The next Branch meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th October in St. Vincent de Paul Centre, Chapel Lane immediately following 7.30pm Mass in St. Malachy's Church. All are welcome to join in prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

**RCIA 2025/2026** The Parish RCIA group welcome new members for this years programme. 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 contact 07856 172206

**Legion of Mary** welcome new members to join our Junior (7-11yo's) and Intermediate (12- 17yo's) groups on Mondays 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. For more info contact Denise 07856 172206

**Parish Youth group (LEAP)** Our Parish Youth Group, together with our youth coordinator, are beginning a Youth Alpha programme for young adults aged between 18 and 30. This 10 week programme will take place in the Parochial Hall and will begin on October 14th. For further details see [www.armaghparish.net](http://www.armaghparish.net)

## Sacrament Dates 2026

February 24th/26th Ceremonies of Light @ 7pm - Cathedral

## First Confessions

March 2nd St Patrick's P.S. – Cathedral @ 6pm

March 3rd CBS P.S. – St Malachys @ 6pm

March 4th St Malachy's P.S. – St Malachy's @ 6pm

March 5th Mt St Catherine's/Armstrong P.S. – Cathedral @ 6pm

Our Lady's P.S. – Tullysaran @ 7pm

March 9th Saints & Scholars P.S. - St Malachy's @ 6pm

March 13th Irish Confirmation – 5pm – St Malachy's Church

April 18th Lisanally Special School - St Malachy's Church  
11am—First Holy Communion  
1pm - Confirmation

## First Holy Communion

April 25th Our Lady's P.S. - 11am - Tullysaran

Mt St Catherine's/Armstrong - 1pm - Cathedral

CBS - Bunscoil - 11am - St Malachy's

CBS - English - 1pm St Malachy's

May 9th Saints & Scholars – 10:30am - St Malachy's

May 16th St Patrick's PS - 11am - Cathedral  
St Malachy's PS - 11am - St Malachy's

## Confirmation in St Patrick's Cathedral

May 23rd 3pm – Mt St Catherine's, Armstrong, Our Lady's & CBS

May 24th 2pm – St Malachy's, St Patrick's & Saints & Scholars

## Jubilee Prayer

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