



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 a baptism or wedding,
please contact the Parish Office.

www.armaghparish.net

SVP Helpline: 07733 482604

Dear Friends,

This weekend's readings are focused on "humility in prayer". The first reading from Ecclesiasticus includes that powerful line 'the humble man's prayers pierces the clouds' the psalm reminds us that the Lord hears the cry of the poor & the Gospel speaks of the Tax Collector who cries out in humble petition for God to be 'merciful to me, a sinner'.

In St Paul's letter to Timothy which we are well familiar with from funeral liturgies we are reminded of the importance of the virtue of humility in 'running the race to the finish, fighting the good fight and keeping the faith'. As we enter the month of November - the month of the Holy Souls' we are all challenged to look forward to what our legacy's will be - have we walked humbly with God and done our best to create a better world, have we fought hard for justice and fairness in our dealings with others, have we kept a strong relationship with Jesus in faith.

Ultimately this weekend we are asked if we recognise God in our everyday lives, is God part of our everyday or not ... in asking whether we recognise God in the world around us and the people we journey with we are also challenged as to whether God would recognise us - have we a lived relationship with God, do we trust Him, do we reach out to him in prayer and petition? Do we live our lives in a way that prepares us to worship God forever in Heaven? These are deep and important questions but deeply important questions for us also.

*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

£5370 & €334.45

Mission Sunday Collection

£2965 & €76

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Bernie McConville, Maggie Maughan and Fiona Miller

MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Seamus Knipe (26th), Cathal McQuade (26th),
Patrick Woods (29th) and Seamus McQuade (1st)

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.



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 .



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. To register your interest please call the 07596 899 031 or email armaghparishoffice@gmail.com

Parish Youth group (LEAP) Our Parish Youth Group, together with our youth coordinator, are beginning a Youth Alpha programme for young adults aged between 17 and 30. This 10 week programme will take place in the Parochial Hall. Week 2 of the Alpha Programme looks at "What does real love look like?" and will take place on Tues 28th October at 8pm in the Parochial Hall.

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.

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

Annual Christmas Draw This weekend we are delighted to launch our Annual Christmas Draw. The top prize is £5,000. Proceeds from the draw will go towards our Parish Outreach. Tickets cost £10 each or 3 for £20 and can be purchased at the Parish Shop, Parish Office, any of the Sacristies or via the Parish website.

Christmas at the Cathedral Tickets are now available for Christmas at the Cathedral which takes place on 12th December in the Cathedral, Malachi Cush will be joined by special guests for this special moment in our Advent Calendar. Tickets available from Ticket Source or by scanning the QR Code



November Lists for the Dead are available at the back of the Churches and can be returned to any of the Churches.

Parish Masses for the Dead

2nd Nov - Church of the Immaculate Conception - 10am
3rd Nov - St Malachy's Church - 7:30pm
8th Nov - St Colmcille's Church - 6pm

All are welcome to attend these special Masses as we remember in prayer all those who have died in the Parish in the last year.

Remembrance Trees will return to the Churches in the coming days. Please write the name of your loved one to be remembered during the month of November and place it on the tree.

November is the month when we remember our beloved dead. We will gather each Wednesday in November at 2pm in the Parochial Hall to remember and pray for our beloved dead. Our first gathering will take place on Wed 5th Nov at 2pm. All are welcome to join for a chat, a cup of tea and to pray for our beloved dead.

The Legion of Mary invite you to join them in praying a Rosary for the Holy Souls each Sunday during November at 3pm in St Patrick's Cemetery.

Monthly Rosary We gather on the first Saturday of each month at the grotto at St. Malachy's Church to pray a rosary for peace in the world and for the protection of life from conception to natural death. Our next gathering is on Saturday 1st November at 3pm. All welcome.

Holy Cross Group—Bethlehem A missionary group from Bethlehem will be visiting the Cathedral on the 1st & 2nd of Nov to talk about the Holy Land & to sell religious articles made out of olive wood in Bethlehem to help and support poor Christians families. Any help you can give them is highly appreciated

Calling all Saints! The Missionaries of Charity are holding their All Saints Party on Sat 1st Nov at 2pm in the Synod Hall. Please come dressed as your favourite Saint, Blessed or Angel. We will celebrate Mass & have games, singing, & refreshments. All welcome. For enquires contact the Sisters on 02837528654.

Youth, Family & Faith Congress In preparation for the Youth, Family & Faith Congress being held in the Archdiocese in next year, we will hold a special evening on Thurs 30th Oct in the Synod Hall at 7pm to discuss the topic of what we as a community can do to increase the engagement of our young adults. Please come along to this special evening & invite your younger family members.

Prayer to St Malachy - Feast Day - 3rd November

Glorious Saint Malachy, ardent yet gentle shepherd of God's people, we come before you seeking your intercession and protection in this time of trial.

Malachy, angel of peace, who brought those in conflict to be reconciled in the name of Christ, grant lasting peace and reconciliation to our country.

Mighty pillar of the Church, who banished error by the truth of your preaching, obtain for each of us the grace of sincere repentance and renewal, that we may serve the Lord in holiness all our days.

Most fatherly Archbishop of Armagh, enkindle the hearts of bishops and priests that, aided by your patronage and example, they may labour to form a holy people, strong in faith, constant in prayer, abounding in charity, devoted to the Sacraments and loyal to the See of Peter.

O Saint rich in mercy and compassion, look upon all who are suffering or in need and obtain for them support, healing and hope. St Malachy, ablaze with heavenly fire, be a light to guide us on our pilgrim way to the Kingdom of Heaven. There may we be united with you in singing the praises of God for ever and ever. Amen.