



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

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SVP Helpline: 07733 482604

Dear Friends,

In this week's Gospel, we glimpse the deep pain and sorrow that accompany grief — the anguish of losing someone we love. The widow's loss of her only son was not just the loss of her child, but of her future, her security, and her hope. In her despair, Jesus approached her with compassion and said, "Do not cry." Then, through His divine power, He restored her son to life — a moment that filled all who witnessed it with awe and praise for God.

There are times in our own lives when we too pray earnestly for healing or a miracle. Sometimes our prayers are answered in ways we can see; other times, God's response remains beyond our understanding. Yet, we must trust that Jesus always hears us and acts out of infinite love. Our life on earth is but part of an eternal journey — one that leads us to the Father's house. Jesus assures us that He is preparing a place for each of us and will return to bring us home in God's perfect time and according to His divine plan.

Death is painful, and the physical separation from those we love can be overwhelming. But our true hope lies in Christ's promise that we will be reunited in heaven. Our loved ones have simply gone before us to the place where every tear is wiped away.

During this month of November, we take time to remember and pray for those who have died. Whether their passing was recent or long ago, we unite our prayers with theirs, asking that they may see the light of heaven and rise with Christ in glory. Even when prayer feels difficult in times of grief, we can find comfort in knowing that our loved ones now adore God in His presence. Each time we participate in the Holy Mass and adore Jesus in the Eucharist, we are united with them in a profound and sacred way.

May the memories of our beloved dead inspire us to live each day more deeply rooted in faith, hope, and charity — always mindful of the promise of resurrection and eternal life in Christ.

*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.

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 Collection
£5941 & €151.11

RECENTLY DECEASED

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

MONTHS MIND

We pray for:

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 beginning after morning 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.



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

Divine Mercy Month Mass All are welcome to the first Thursday Divine Mercy Mass at St Colmcille's Church, Knockaconey on 6th November. This month features a special prayer and Mass dedicated to our beloved departed ones. Confessions: 7pm and Chaplet/Mass: 7.30pm. Come let us together commit our families and ourselves to the mercy of God.

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 week we will look at "Why would I want a relationship with God?" Join us on Tues 4th November at 8pm in the Parochial Hall.

Annual Christmas Draw We recently launched 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



Do This in Memory Programme The next Do This in Memory Programme Mass will take place on 8th November at 6:30pm in St Patrick's Cathedral for all P4 pupils and their parents.

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 are in place in each of our Churches. 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.

Temporary Cathedral Groundsman Required for more information, please contact Caroline in the Parish Office.

Vocations Society of St. Joseph The next Branch meeting will be held on Wed 5th Nov in St. Vincent de Paul Centre, Chapel Lane, following 7.30pm Mass in St. Malachy's Church. This Mass will be offered for the deceased Members and benefactors of the Branch. All are welcome to join in praying for Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life.

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

Weddings in our Parish Couples planning their wedding are invited to contact Claire in the Parish Office to book your date. Whether it's a big day or a more intimate occasion you are seeking be assured of a welcome. As you say "I Do" be sure to invite Jesus's blessing on your union. Couples who were married in Hotel venues and who weren't Married before can also have a convalidation ceremony of Sacramental Marriage.

Apostolic Christmas Draw and Coffee Morning will take place on Saturday 22nd November. Further details to follow.

Knock Shrine All Night Vigil Sun 7th Dec. To book on a coach, please contact Gabrielle 07933521105 or Catherina 07899 810181.

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.