



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.

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SVP Helpline: 07733 482604

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica — the Pope's Cathedral in Rome and the Mother Church of the Universal Church. This feast invites us to reflect on our deep connectedness as a community of faith — not only within our parish, our archdiocese, or our country, but across the entire world. We are reminded that at every moment, day and night, the Holy Mass is being celebrated somewhere in the world, and prayers are being offered for our intentions and for our loved ones who have died. What a profound comfort this is in times of trial and difficulty, and what a blessing it becomes when we find it hard to pray ourselves.

This weekend, we continue to pray for our beloved dead — those who have shaped our lives and left lasting marks on our hearts through cherished memories. I am mindful that this time of year can bring darkness and sadness for some. If you are feeling isolated or lonely, I encourage you to reach out to someone you trust, or to consider joining one of our parish gatherings or community activities. You are not alone — there is always a place for you among us.

We also take time this weekend to celebrate and give thanks for our wonderful volunteers — the lifeblood of our parish. I am continually inspired by the generosity and dedication of so many who give their time, talent, and hearts to serve others. This past week, as we celebrated our beautiful Masses for the faithful departed, countless people worked quietly behind the scenes to make those liturgies moments of healing and grace. I also remember with gratitude all the volunteers who have served this parish over the years and have now gone to their eternal rest. Their love and service continue to live on — our parish itself stands as a living memorial to them.

Finally, I ask you to spare a thought for those who may be feeling lonely or isolated this week — especially our young people. A simple word, a kind gesture, or a listening ear can make a world of difference. Let us continue to be a community that notices, reaches out, and cares.

*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.

Priests' Dues Collection

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RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Paul McKeever, Gerard McCoy, Eileen McGahan, Maureen Conlon,
Anne Dineen, Danny Gribbon, Gerry Lennon, Eileen Mallon, Christopher Daly,
Bernie McConville and Maggie Maughan.

MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Fiona Miller (13th)



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

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



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

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 next gathering will take place on Wed 12th Nov at 2pm. All are welcome to join for a chat, a cup of tea and to pray for our beloved dead.#

Lectio Divina will begin after the 10am Mass each Thursday from 13th November until 18th December in the Parochial Hall. All welcome to join for any or all gatherings.

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.

Aifreann Gaeilge Léifear Aifreann Gaeilge amach anseo ar an tríú Satharn de gach mí in Eaglais Naomh Maolmhaoldhóg, Ard Mhacha, ar 4.00 i.n. Dé Sathairn 15ú Mí na Samhna a bhéas an chéad Aifreann Gaeilge eile. Fáilte roimhn chách - Gaeilgeoirí agus lucht foghlama na Gaeilge Scaipigí an focal!

Irish Mass Irish Mass will be celebrated in St Malachy's Church, Armagh, on the third Saturday of every month at 4.00pm. The next Irish Mass will be on Saturday 15th November All welcome- Irish speakers and those interested in learning Irish. Spread the word!

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 Sale and Coffee Morning will take place on Saturday 22nd November at Mt. St Catherine's Primary School, Windmill Hill from 10am-12:30pm. Admission £1.50 inc. refreshments. There will be fruit, vegetables, plants, cakes, buns, Christmas gifts, woollens, raffle & lucky dip. Please come along and support our missionaries.

In the month of November, let us pray for our dead:

God our Father,
Your power brings us to birth,
Your providence guides our lives,
and by Your command, we return to dust.
Lord, those who die still live in Your presence,
their lives change but do not end.
I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends and for all the
dead known to You alone. In company with Christ,
who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom,
where all our tears are wiped away.
Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever
and ever.
Amen.

Prayer for Strength

Lord, every day I need you, but especially today.
I need some extra strength to face whatever is to come.
This day more than any other day, I need to feel you near me,
to fortify my courage and to overcome my fear.
By myself I cannot meet the challenge of the hour.
I need you to sustain me in all that life may bring.
And so, dear Lord, hold my trembling hand.
Be with me Lord this day, so that I may know
your guiding hand at work in everything
and know your guiding presence with me always.
Amen.