

Dromantine Summer Camp 2017 Boys camp: 16th-21st July & 23rd—28th July; Girls Camp: 30th Jul-4th Aug, 6th-11th Aug & 13th-18th Aug. Contact: 02830821224.

SMA Summer School 2017 7-9th July at Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre. Lectures and Workshops delivered by nine expert speakers including: Justin Kilcullen, Dr Fáinche Ryan, Paul Vallely & Fr Gerry O Hanlon SJ For more info & booking details contact laity@sma.ie or telephone 048 3082 1024

Armagh Carmelite Lourdes Group are holding a Coffee Morning in Mulberry Bistro on **Sat 17th June** from 10.30am-1pm and a Quiz Night in Devlin's Bar **Wed 21st June** at 8pm. All proceeds to raise funds to take sick pilgrims to Lourdes. All welcome.

Cathedral Gift Shop Urgently Requires Volunteers Would you be willing to offer 2-3 hours a week volunteering in the Cathedral Gift Shop? Anyone interested in getting involved is asked to please contact the Parish Office 02837522813. The Gift Shop is fully stocked with religious items and gifts.

Annual Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of St Oliver Plunkett, Drogheda on Sun 2nd July. Procession of Relics leaves Holy Family Church, Ballsgrove at 3pm. Mass in St Peter's Church at 4pm with Archbishop Eamon Martin. All pilgrims, and concelebrants of the Mass, warmly welcome. St Oliver Plunkett, pray for us.

Knock Shrine Monday 7th August, Sr Breige Mc Kenna, Sunday 10th September, Grandparents day. For booking & info Gabrielle 07933521105/02887784964.

The Westenders Group will be hosting an Early Summer tea dance on **Wed 21st June** from 2.30pm – 4.30pm at the Cathedral Road Recreation Centre, Armagh. Cost £2pp, includes refreshments and music. Everyone welcome.

The Iona Institute NI 'How to speak up' Media Training Workshops. Gain confidence in speaking out on important faith issues. Adult evening session **Thurs 29th June** 6-8.30 pm. Youth 16yrs+ one day event - **Fri 30th June** 10.00am -3.00pm. St Brides Parish Hall, Belfast. For info: tarkin@ionainstitute.ie or call 07531149891

Southern Area Hospice are holding a door collection after all Masses on 8th October 2017. If you can help with this collection by volunteering 10 minutes of your time please contact Tania Bailie on 028 3025 1333.

Rally for Life A bus is going to the Rally for Life in Dublin on **Sat 1st July**. Leaves St. Malachy's at 11am. Cost is a small donation. For more info contact 07707106298/07596501003.

Christopher West is Coming To St. Peter's Parish Drogheda Join us in the Barbican Centre, Drogheda on July 9th from 3-5pm where Christopher West will unfold St. John Paul II's "Theology of the Body", answering the questions of every human life: Who am I? Why am I here? How can I be happy?. Everyone is welcome to attend this one off event in St. Peter's Parish, Drogheda. There will be no entrance fee for this event, donation only.

The Catholic Chaplaincy @ QUB invites all this summer's Queen's graduands & their families to attend the Graduation Masses which will be celebrated at 12.30pm each day from Thurs 29th June to Wed 5th Jul (exc. Sunday) in the Corpus Christi Chapel and for refreshments after. We take this opportunity to congratulate all students graduating at this time.

Benburb Community Playgroup is a community based playgroup which relies on a voluntary committee to run this valuable resource to pre-schoolers. It now has a vacancy for the position of Chairperson which must be filled from July. Interested volunteers can get further info by contacting benburb@btconnect.com or clareosull@gmail.com.



Na Piarsaigh Óga Lotto: 10/11/12/26 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £2950
Abbey Lotto: 5/10/14/28 One jackpot winner. Next weeks Jackpot £1300
Tullysaran Lotto: 6/16/18/19 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £1375
St Colmcilles GAC Lotto: 3/4/10/17 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot is £2450



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18th June 2017

Corpus Christi

The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ/Corpus Christi invites us to take time to think of the wonderful gift of the Eucharist. It is first and foremost a celebration during which God nourishes us in a wondrous way with his own life.

What remains of the consecrated bread is reserved in the tabernacle for the communion of the sick. Many also find consolation in the silent presence of the Lord. Just as Jesus welcomed the crowds who came in search of him, St Alphonsus Ligouri, in a prayer to the Blessed Sacrament, speaks of him as "awaiting, calling and welcoming all who come to visit him." Perhaps during this week, you might make a call to the God who welcomes. This special feast reminds us of our responsibility to be in communion with the whole body of Christ. There is room for everyone at the divine banquet – especially the poor and the hungry and in today's Gospel Jesus says: "I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh for the life of the world".

Having received Jesus' Body and Blood in the Eucharist, we are expected to pass it on – to play our part in feeding the hungry and working for justice. When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, we gather to give thanks. The word Eucharist comes from the Greek Eucharistia, which means to give thanks. That's what we do at every Mass, literally. We gather as one family to thank God for all that God has given us – the gift of life, the wonderful earth that we live in, our family, our talents, the salvation we have received through our belief in the death and resurrection of Jesus. There are so many things we need to thank God for.

And we show our thanks to God by loving God and each other to the best of our ability. It means trying always to forgive, it means seeing all people as our brothers and sisters; it means being concerned for the poor and for justice; it means being people who pray. We show our thanks by going from Church and into our communities to live a life of love and service.

In recent weeks, there have been a number of First Communion celebrations in the parish. Again I congratulate all the young girls and boys from the different schools who received Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life for the first time. I congratulate their parents, their teachers and all within our schools who supported the young people to this important stage in their lives. As we all know, ones First Communion is a special occasion in ones life but so too is ones second or third Communion. In other words, every Communion that we celebrate is an important moment on our faith journey and every Mass that we attend is a special celebration and it's Jesus Christ whom we meet again and again each time that we receive him in Holy Communion.

To celebrate this feast of Corpus Christi, a short procession is took place on Saturday evening after the 7.00pm Mass in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral. At that Mass, we had the last Do this in Memory celebration for all of this years First Communicants. It was an opportunity to come together as a parish community to celebrate & give thanks for the great gift of the Eucharist. On this special feast, let's reflect once more on those words: "Lord, you nourish me with the Bread of Life. Help me to share that love with those who need it most. Amen."

With every blessing
Peter McAnenly Adm

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ -- June 18, 2017

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards Heaven. All are called in Christ, but some are chosen to nourish His body as priests & religious. Could you be among them? Call: Fr Peter McAnenly 028 37522802

RECENTLY DECEASED: Patricia Connolly, Sean Nugesnt, Gerard Reid, Joe Farmer, Desmond McManus, Patricia Ryan, Lily McSorley, Jean Kelly & Oliver Kerr.

Weekly collection amounted to £6099.07 & € 117.34

Parish Safeguarding Reps are Aileen & Maura. Their email is armaghparishsafeguarding@gmail.com & tel. 07895 460797.

Sacristy Any visitors to the sacristy of any church in the Parish **must sign the visitors book.**

All requests for Prayers/Masses to be arranged in the Parish Office. Only Anniversaries and Month's Minds left in the Parish Office by 12 noon on the Thursday of the week prior to the intention being remembered are guaranteed to be included on the list.

Baptism Course All parents of children being baptised in the parish **must attend** a short course before the baptism. For info & booking contact the Parish Office.

Hospital Visits In the event of a parishioner being in hospital and wishing to receive a visit from one of the priests of the parish, please make contact with the Parish Office.

Adoration Adorers needed to cover:
Wednesday: 11pm and 12midnight
Thursday: 1am, 5am & 6am
Please contact Nora 37525265

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) meet each **Tues @ 7pm** in the Synod Hall. All welcome.

Missionary of Charity House One hour of prayer, scripture & song before the Blessed Sacrament **every Wed** from 8-9pm

Armagh Parish Holy Spirit Prayer Group welcome you to join us at 8pm on Tuesdays for prayer and praise.

Fatima Devotion On the 1st Saturday of each month, Confessions will be celebrated in the Cathedral at 9.15am, followed by Mass at 10am & recitation of the Rosary immediately after in Our Lady's Chapel. Please join in this act of devotion in this special Jubilee Year.

Ministry of the Word/Eucharist Anyone who wishes to be a Minister of the Word/Eucharist in any of the Churches in the Parish is asked to contact the Parish Office.

Ordinations to Priesthood

We remember in prayer Rev. Barry Matthews from Dundalk who will be ordained priest for the Archdiocese of Armagh in St Patrick's Church, Dundalk today at 3pm. He will celebrate his First Mass of Thanksgiving in St Patrick's Church,

Dundalk on Mon 19th June at 7pm. We also remember Rev Michael Donnelly from Armagh who will be ordained a priest for The Missionaries of the Holy Eucharist in France on Sun 25th June. Michael will celebrate his First Mass of Thanksgiving in St Malachy's Church, Armagh on Fri 18th Aug at 7.30pm.

Archdiocese of Armagh is currently accepting applications from those interested in the Permanent Diaconate. **Fri 7th July** is the closing date for applications. After this date it will be a further 3 years before any new applications will be considered. Do you feel called to serve as a Permanent Deacon in the Armagh Archdiocese? For further information contact Fr. Brian White, Parochial House, Main St. Blackrock, Co. Louth (Tel No. 00353429322244) - or enquire from your local priest or deacon.

AIFREANN NA GAEILGE: Sos an tSamhraidh. Léifear Aifreann deireannach an scoilthearma seo Dé Sathairn seo chugainn, 17ú Meitheamh. **IRISH MASS: SUMMER BREAK** Mass next Saturday, 17 June, will be the last one before the Summer Break.

Latin Mass Society Celebration of Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral on **Sat 24 June** at 12noon. All welcome.

Armagh Pioneer Centre Presentation Mass will take place in St. Malachy's Church on the *Feast of the Sacred Heart* **Fri 23rd June** at 7:30pm. Local pioneers receiving their pins.

Novena Prayer to the Sacred Heart

Lord Jesus Christ, your heart was moved with love for the men and women who came for help in their need. You healed the sick, you fed the hungry, you forgave sinners, you cried over Jerusalem. Above all, you showed to those who were prepared to listen the way to true life, for you are the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Lord, your heart is still moved today by your people and their many needs. Open our hearts to hear your word, to accept your love, and to respond to your call. In particular, I beg you to grant me the favour I ask during this novena (*make your request silently*), provided that it will contribute to my own eternal good and to the building up of your kingdom of justice, peace and love here on earth. **Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.**

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, TULLYSARAN

ALL Baptisms & Weddings in Tullysaran must be booked in advance at Parish Office
Novena Mass Monday @ 7:30pm.

Tullysaran Community Association: Tues 4-5pm Irish Dancing; Tues 7-8pm Corebox; Tues 8.15-9pm Spin; Wed 10.30am-12 Parent & Toddler Group.

CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE, KNOCKACONEY

Bookings All Weddings & Baptisms **must** be booked in advance through the Parish Office 37522813.

Annual Blessing of Graves in Armagh—Sun 25th June 12noon

On Sunday 25 June, we celebrate the annual blessing of graves in Armagh and therefore, it's a special weekend for all who have loved ones who have been laid to rest in our city cemetery. Respect for our dead and care for their places of burial is an important part of our Catholic tradition and parishioners are to be complimented on the way in which they attend their family plots at this time of year. Again, I encourage all parishioners to continue to maintain the different graveyards in our parish after the blessings and dispose of dead flowers etc in a proper way, by taking them home or putting them in the skip. It's very encouraging to see people visiting the graveyards and praying for their deceased relatives and friends throughout the year. For some, the graveyard can be a lonely place, for others, it can be a sacred place for quiet reflection.

For those attending the blessing of graves in Armagh, I ask you to cooperate with the stewards and with the PSNI who will be present on the day. I encourage all to be prayerful and respectful during the celebration of the Mass as we remember all our loved ones who have gone to their place of rest. The proceeds of the Cemetery Sunday collection which will be taken up at the entrances to the cemetery by the Knights of St Columbanus will go towards the upkeep of our parish cemeteries throughout the year.

We hope and pray that the Lord will bless us with fine weather on the day and as well as it being a lovely opportunity to remember our departed loved ones, I think it's a wonderful community celebration and a great opportunity for families and friends to reconnect each year. As we remember all our dead we pray: **Risen Lord, because of your infinite love, you were obedient even to death on a cross and so bring to life all who are sleeping in peace. Keep all the dead in your care, those we have loved and those no one remembers. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

Rev Peter McAnenly Adm

Armagh Parish Pastoral Council

At the last PPC meeting on Wednesday 14th June, there presentations from two guest speakers. Sister Sheila spoke passionately about the work being done in Cuan Mhuire, Newry, which provides residential support and treatment for Alcohol, Drug & Gambling addictions. She stressed the increasing need for support and rehabilitation for the many people affected by addictions.

Claire Dowds is a counsellor working in Down & Connor Diocese with the Bethany Bereavement Support Group. She outlined the pastoral work they do within Parishes, visiting grieving families, offering spiritual consolation and a listening ear to the recently bereaved.

The Parish Pastoral Council wishes to endorse the work of these organisations and hopes to provide parishioners with more details about these services and the wonderful support they offer.

Prayer for Father's Day 18 June 2017

Blessed are you, God of all life. You have given to us the gift of the father of our family. Today, we honour him and we thank God, Our Father, for the many things that are ours because of him. His love for us is a sign of your great love for all people. Bless him today with your strength and power so that he can continue to show love in our family. May we as a family help him in his duties as a parent by showing respect, obedience and deep affection. Bless him Lord with happiness and good health, with peace and joy. We pray this as always through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Security in Cathedral Grounds Following a recent review of security in the grounds of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, a decision has been made to close the gates at the Moy Road entrance daily at 7pm, with the exception of evenings when Church services are scheduled for St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Armagh Parish Pastoral Council are organising a one day retreat to Lough Derg on **Sat 23rd Sept.** Details and booking to follow.

All notices for the upcoming Bulletin must be submitted no later than Tuesday at 5pm - please send them to armaghparish@btconnect.com or leave in the Parish Office.