

**Holy Spirit Prayer Group** There will be no gathering this week. Prayer group will resume as normal next Tuesday at 8pm for prayer and praise. All welcome.

**Legion of Mary** invite you to join them each Sunday in November at 3:30pm to pray the rosary in the Cemetery. All welcome.

**Church & Family Survey** Pope Francis wants to hear the views of everyone on the Church & Family that can be fed into the 2018 World Meeting of Families in Dublin. Members of the Justice & Peace Commission will visit houses in Tullymore Downs & Primates Manor around 6pm on **Tues 28th Nov**. A few short questions will be left in an envelope which will be collected an hour later. Confidentiality is assured, no names or signatures are required. In January there will be a follow-up discussion in Sherry's Field Community Centre to which everyone in the parish is invited. This is a unique opportunity to make your views known and we look forward to meeting you.

**Armagh City Library** – Macmillian Volunteer available every Tuesday 1-2pm to signpost you were to get help & what is available; Patchwork Ladies gather each Thursday 11am-1pm; Knit & Knatter Group meet each Friday 11am-1pm. Come along & chat with a friendly group while working on new projects.

**St. Vincent de Paul Shop** is now based in Ogle Street. The new SVP Shop Number is: 07518909929

**Trocaire Romero Family Award!** Spiritual preparation for the World Meeting of Families 2018 aiming to provide families with an avenue to learn about the lives of other families around the world. Please log onto [www.trocaire.org/romeroaward](http://www.trocaire.org/romeroaward) to register your family. You will receive your "Family Journal" This award is centred around meal times in our family homes and affords family members the opportunity to engage in a meaningful dialogue around social justice and the meaning of family spoken about in Amoris Laetitia.

**Does Christ matter? A dialogue between an Anglican and a Jesuit!** Launch of a new book by Brian Lennon S.J and Rev Tim Kinahan (Church of Ireland) in The Synod Hall, St Patrick's Cathedral on **Thurs 23 Nov** at 8pm. The book will be launched by Rev Tony Davidson, Presbyterian Minister in Armagh. The book is a dialogue between a Jesuit Priest and a Church of Ireland Minister who have known each other & ministered together for many years. The book begins by looking at the life of Christ and it teases out how we are called to live life within our Churches and in the social/political world. All are welcome to join!

**Westenders Group** are hosting a FREE Energy Efficiency info session at Cathedral Road Recreation Centre **Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov** 10.30am – 12.30pm (followed by light lunch). To book a place please contact Tracey Powell, SHSCT Tel: 3756 4495.

**Youth 2000 Annual Christmas Retreat** in Newbridge College, Co Kildare **Fri 8th – Sun 10th Dec**. Many young people (aged 16-35) from across Ireland are expected at this donation only event & newcomers are very welcome. Free buses available. Online booking necessary. See [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or call 01 6753690


**Cuchulainn Hurling Club Notes** AGM **Fri 8 December** at 7.30pm in Cathedral Road Complex; County Club Draw tickets (£100) with excellent prizes available from Club Secretary on 07776140794 [www.armaghgaa.net/clubdraw](http://www.armaghgaa.net/clubdraw) - income from tickets supports both Club and County. Monthly Card night - Friday 24 November at 8pm in Toby Jug

**Saint Brigid's Camogie Club** Annual General Meeting will be held on **Mon 27th Nov**, 7pm in McBrides House, Irish St. All present players/members are asked to attend. Anyone who would like to get more involved at any level are welcome to attend. Help is always greatly appreciated.

**Rosary on The Coast for Life and Faith** Please join in this prayer initiative which will be happening all around the coastline of Ireland, Sun 26th Nov, 2.15pm, in Warrenpoint opposite the Whistledown Hotel. The rosary will start promptly at 2.30pm. Info: 07596501003

**Carol Service by Candlelight** in St. Luke's Hospital **Thurs 7th Dec** 6.30pm. Tickets £5 available from Mary 07767402743. Refreshments after in Mullinure Hospital.

**Charity Christmas Bingo** in Pearse Og Club on **Sun 10th Dec** from 3pm-5pm. Adm. £3. Prizes, Hampers...etc. Proceeds to Children's Orphanage and Sr. Muriel Medugorje.

 **Na Piarasigh Óga Lotto: 1/7/23/28** No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £?  
**Abbey Lotto: 10/11/19/22** No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £2450  
**Tullysaran Lotto: 5/19/20/22** No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £1925  
**St Colmcilles GAC Lotto: 12/19/20/24** No winner. Next weeks Jackpot is £3600



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19th November 2017

**33rd Sunday of the Year**

**World Day of the Poor**

**Reflection**

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of three servants, two of whom are considered good and faithful; the third is considered worthless and wicked. They are given diverse amounts of money which seems to imply that they have different abilities or talents. It's also implied that different returns are expected from different abilities. People are not competing against each other, only against themselves. The difference between the three is the way they use their talents. The first two servants took what had been given them and invested their talents and doubled their money. The third, out of fear of his master, buried his money because he believed that the master was a demanding man. Out of fear, he did nothing. No investment is entirely risk free, as today's markets show, but burial of money in the ground is not a wise option!

In the original situation Jesus is making a point against the Scribes and Pharisees. Their chief aim is to keep the law, which they had been given, exactly as it was – not to change it, develop it or alter it in any way. They said their mission was to "build a fence around the law." But in this parable, Jesus tells us that there can be no growth without risk, adventure and enterprise. Willingness to dare is an essential part of our faith. Where there is no risk, there is no gain in spiritual as well as in material matters.

Some people possess great talents that are easily recognisable – in sport, music or other arts, in medicine, computers or other sciences. Other people have more subtle gifts – in their ability to listen and offer encouragement, in being able to give support and healing and in being present to others in a time of need. All of us have talents of one kind or another, gifted to us by God out of love and generosity. We will not be judged on the greatness of our talents or gifts but on how well we have used those talents or gifts. As Christian disciples, we are called to share them with others out of love and justice for all, for the greater good of our own community and the wider community of humanity.

With every blessing,  
Rev. Peter McAnenly, Adm.

**World Day of the Poor**

Pope Francis has assigned today as **World Day of the Poor**.

As we remember all who are struggling with poverty,  
we keep in mind the words of the Holy Father  
*"Let us love not with words but with deeds".*

**Walton High School USA Tour Choir & St. Catherine's College**  
will be singing at 10am Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral on **Mon 20th Nov**,  
followed by a recital. All are welcome.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Maisie Grimes, Bill Hughes,  
Maureen Brannigan & Patrick Starrs.  
**MONTHS MIND:** Billy McGarvey (19th), Sorcha McEnteggart (22nd)  
and Barney Traynor (24th)

**Weekly collection amounted to £6106.41 & €168.83**

**Parish Safeguarding Reps** are Aileen & Maura. Contact: tel. 07895 460797 or email at [armaghparishsafeguarding@gmail.com](mailto:armaghparishsafeguarding@gmail.com)

**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.

**Adoration Chapel Adorers needed to cover:** Mon: 8am; Wed: 8am, 11pm; Thurs: 8am. Please contact Nora 37525265

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

**RISE Youth Group** will continue this Wednesday 7-9pm in the SVP Centre, Chapel Lane. Fun, Faith & Friendship! All 1st—3rd years welcome!

**Do this in Memory Programme** the next gathering will take place in St Patrick's Cathedral on **Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Nov** at 7pm for all P4 pupils & their families.

**Feast of Christ the King** will be celebrated on **Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Nov**. To mark this special Feast, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in St Patrick's Cathedral from 2-5pm. During this time people are encouraged to make a special effort to visit the Cathedral to thank God for all the graces & blessings of life, especially the many graces we have received over the past year. There will be prayers led on each of the hours & Benediction will take place at 5pm. Please join with our Parish Family as we come together to honour the King of our Universe!

**AIFREANN NA GAELIGE** Cuireadh tús le hAifreann na Gailge i gColáiste Phádraig arís ar 4ú Mí na Samhna agus leanfaidh sé ar aghaidh gach Satharn go dtí sos na Nollag.

**IRISH MASS** at SPGS has recommenced and will continue every Saturday evening until the end of the school term.

**Christmas Card Competition** Congratulations to our five winners - Aoibhe NicCraith, Matthew

Greene, Macha McCone, Clodagh Harney and Sofia Scullion. The overall winner was **Macha McCone**. Macha's wonderful design will be available for purchase in the Parish Shop in the coming days!

**Celebration for all Altar Servers in Armagh Parish** A special celebration for all Altar Servers in the different Churches in the Parish and their families will take place in St Patrick's Cathedral on **Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Nov** at 5.30pm which is the Feast of St John Berchmans, the Patron Saint of Altar Servers. We ask all Altar Servers and their families to come along to this special evening.

**Floral Society** New members required to help with the floral arrangements in our Parish Churches. Anyone interested in assisting with his Parish Ministry is asked to contact Claire in the Parish Office.

**Red Wednesday Appeal** "Aid to the Church in need" invites us to join on **Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov** to light up our Churches & wear something red as we remember Christian martyrs & those who have died for their faith. On that day, St Patrick's Cathedral will be a blaze of red & people are asked to wear something red as a symbolic reminder of all those Christians who have suffered and died for their Christian faith over the years. As we remember the sacrifice of many wonderful martyrs & all who have died for their faith, Archbishop Eamon Martin will lead a special Prayer Vigil in St Patrick's Cathedral at 8.30pm on **Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Nov** & people will have an opportunity to venerate and be blessed by special Relics of St Dymphna and St Oliver Plunkett, both of whom died for their faith. Prayer Vigil on Tuesday evening at 8.30pm and Special Masses at 8am and 10am in the Cathedral on Wednesday morning. **Please note there will be NO 8am Mass in St Malachy's Church on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

St. Dymphna is a great martyr & saint of Ireland. She is the patroness of those afflicted with mental disorders & is thus an inspiration and symbol of charity, with her prayers often bringing relief and consolation to all suffering such trials.

St. Oliver Plunkett, bishop & martyr, was canonized by the Church in 1975. He stands as a powerful witness for peace and forgiveness. He invites all of us to choose that which unites us rather than that which divides us and thereby to build a just and lasting peace between the people of the world.

All notices for the upcoming Bulletin must be submitted no later than Tuesday at 5pm - please send them to [armaghparish@btconnect.com](mailto:armaghparish@btconnect.com) or leave in the Parish Office. Due to a high volume of requests we cannot guarantee that notices submitted will be published in the Parish Bulletin.

## **CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE, KNOCKACONEY**

**Presentation** Senior & Minor Team Presentation Night **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec** in the Club. All welcome.

## **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, TULLYSARAN**

*ALL Baptisms & Weddings in Tullysaran must be booked in advance at Parish Office*

**Novena Mass** on Monday evening at 7:30pm.

**Community Centre** Mon Indoor Bowls 8-10pm; Tues mum & me fitness class & baby yoga 10.30-11.30am (fully booked), Corebox 7-8pm, Spin 8.15-9pm; Wed Parent/Toddler Group 10.30-12pm, Pilates 7-8pm; Thurs Total Body Workout 6.30-7.30pm, Music 7.30-8.30pm;

**Children's Liturgy Group** takes place each Sunday at 10am Mass for P1-P4 pupils. Families are encouraged to come along & have their children join in the special Catechesis. The leaders are already very pleased with the response to this new initiative and they encourage parents across the parish to bring their children along. Anyone who wishes to volunteer with the group should contact the Parish Office.

**Annual Mass** for all our departed loved ones, especially those who died in the Tullysaran area will be celebrated on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November** at 7:30pm.

**O'Connell's GAC Tullysaran AGM** will be held on **Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov** at 7.30pm. There are a number of positions to be filled & new faces are welcome to the committee. The club encourages parents & family members of young members to attend. If you're unable to attend & wish to get involved, please contact the club via Facebook.

**20<sup>th</sup> Nov - Armagh Harps**

**21<sup>st</sup> Nov - Legion of Mary**

**23<sup>rd</sup> Nov - Armagh GAA & Knights of St Columbanus**

**28<sup>th</sup> Nov - Indoor Bowling Club**

**29<sup>th</sup> Nov - Pioneer Association**

Any groups wishing to book a Mass should contact the Parish Office.

**November Masses**  
**St. Malachy's Church,**  
**7:30pm**

**An Advent evening with Armagh Cathedrals Partnership** An evening of Advent Meditation in music, prose, poetry & prayer in The Market Place Theatre on **Tues 5 Dec** at 7.30pm. Guest speaker: Padraig O'Tuama, of the Corrymeela Community. We will be joined on the evening by a Choir from St Catherine's College. It promises to be a special evening to reflect on Advent as a time to prepare for Christ's coming. All are welcome to join.

**St Malachy's Primary School Open Night** "A Digital School of Distinction" invite all prospective pupils & their parents to our Open Night on **Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Nov** from 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm.

**Mount St Catherine's Primary School** would like to invite all children starting primary school in September 2018 to come along to their open night **23<sup>rd</sup> Nov** 6pm-7:30pm. **Little Buds playgroup** (based in the grounds of the school) are also inviting children aged 2-3 years to their open night on the same evening.

**Christian Brothers & Irish Medium Nurseries P.S. Open Day** Open will be held on **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec** from 11am – 1pm. Parents & potential pupils welcome.

**Armagh Diocesan Liturgy and Church Music** are hosting a series of sessions to rehearse a new Mass setting for Choirs and Musicians with the aim to promote congregational singing. These sessions will take place as follows: **Nov 21<sup>st</sup>** in St Brigid's Parish Centre, Cookstown at 7.30p.m; **Nov 28<sup>th</sup>** in St Peter's Parish Centre, William St, Drogheda at 7.30p.m & **Dec 5<sup>th</sup>** in Parish Centre, St Patrick's Church, Stonebridge at 7.30p.m. Copies of the full score of the Mass: £3.00/ €3.00 each & Trifold cards (Melody line) for Choir members: £1.00 /€1.00 will be available each evening.

**Armagh Diabetes Group Christmas Sale and Coffee Morning** in Dobbin St Community Centre 10.30am -1.30pm on **Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Nov**. New items donated by local business's will be for sale at reduced prices and multiple prizes in our raffle. All proceeds to medical research.

**Apostolic Work Annual Christmas Sale** on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December** in Mt. St. Catherine's Primary School, 10am-12noon. Adm £1.50 (adults) 50p (children) includes refreshments. Sale of cake, jams, vegetables, plants, knitted goods. Raffle, also. Please come and support the missions. We need your help.

**Christmas Fair/Open Day @ Naiscoil na Caille** (Desart Lodge premises) **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec** 10am-1pm; Adm £3 adults, kids free. Refreshments, face painting & balloon making by Deedee the clown! Lots of Christmas stalls with local crafts. Tar isteach agus tacaigh leis an Naiscoil.