

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

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

Annual weekend trip to Knock, Fri 4th Aug - Sun 6th Aug. Contact 02837 510989

Christmas Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, for 8 nights (last remaining seats) **20 – 28 Dec**, Departing Dublin. More info: Contact James Treacy: 061 921470 or 0860572216

St Patrick's Golf Classic 2017 Registration is open to teams of 4 at a cost of £160 inc. a round of golf & complimentary meal. Opportunities for businesses & individuals to sponsor a tee or a green are available. Please contact, St Patrick's Grammar School on 028 37 522018 for more info.

Parish of the Holy Redeemer, Dundalk Triduum in Honour of St Oliver Plunkett Friday 7th July @7:30p.m; Saturday 8th July @7:30p.m; Sunday 9th July at all Masses. The Triduum will conclude with Mass at the Shrine of St. Oliver, Ballybarrack, Sunday 9th July @7:30p.m. A blessing with the relic of St Oliver Plunkett will be available after Mass. All are welcome!

Irish Church Music Association 48th Summer School will take place **5th-8th July**. Theme: Joy for the World. Further info & an application form can be downloaded from the Parish Website.

Let's Talk Family: Let's be Family! Preparing for the World Meeting of Families 2018 hosted by The Irish Institute for Pastoral Studies (in association with the Irish Institute of Catholic Studies) Tara Building, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick **Thursday 13th July**.

Armagh Widows next meeting on **Wed 5th July** at the Community Centre, Cathedral Rd. 7pm-9pm. New members welcome. No meeting in August.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from **Thurs 17th-Sun 20th Aug**. All young people aged 16-35 welcome. The festival is donation only. Free buses travelling from all around Ireland. Info & booking at www.youth2000.ie

NI Blood Transfusion Service next blood donation session will be held in St. Mark's Crozier Hall on **5th & 6th July** 1.30pm-4pm & 5.15pm-8pm.

Action on Hearing Loss Hearing Aid and Information session is in Armagh City Library on **Mon 26th June** 11am-1pm. Drop in for advice with managing/maintaining/cleaning your hearing aid; information about hearing loss and other services. Batteries for NHS aids are available.

Pilgrimage to Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo & Pietrelcina - 14 July - 7 nights - £899.00pp sharing. Info contact Marian Pilgrimages Belfast: (028) 956 80005 *Afternoon flights*

Lislea Congratulations to this months winners in the Lislea Draw 1st Prize - £100 - Jimmy and Bernie McKinney; 2nd Prize - £50 - went to Joey McCabe.

Mary's Meals greatly appreciate your support so far for the backpacks for Malawi. Please continue to place the following items in the baskets in either the Cathedral or St Malachy's : Small towels, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, pencil cases, rulers, copybooks, tennis balls, spoons, flip flops, T-shirts, shorts, dresses or skirts & tops to fit 4-12 year olds. Volunteers always welcome in the old clinic in Dobbin Street, Tues or Thurs 2-4pm. Thank you.

Accord NI Marriage Preparation Course The next course scheduled in the Diocese are at Quinn's Corner, Dungannon **12th, 19th & 26th Sept & 7th, 14th & 21st Nov**. Info & Booking tel. 02838334781.



Na Piarsaigh Óga Lotto: 10/11/12/26 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £2950
Abbey Lotto: 2/4/25/27 One jackpot winner. Next weeks Jackpot £1450
Tullysaran Lotto: 1/4/8/20 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £1425
St Colmcilles GAC Lotto: 7/13/17/23 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot is £2450



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2nd July 2017

13th Sunday of the Year: Reflection

Life is busy. Whether we are in school, college, working, or juggling family life with all sorts of other commitments, there is sometimes little time to pause and take stock of things. It can be hard to find time to reflect on how our faith is faring. When we do get a few minutes to assess things, do we find ourselves wanting? Many of us have the idea that we would like to live better lives, to be more caring, to help those in need. We would like to live up to what Jesus asks of us, if only we had the time to do more. This desire to do better is an important element of our Christian journey. But often we imagine that this will require some sort of grand gesture or dramatic change of direction.

If we are paralysed or overwhelmed by what we can't do, Jesus has some good news for us today. A cup of water isn't much, and offering hospitality to a stranger might not seem like a big deal, but that is where Jesus starts. Instructing his twelve disciples, he tells them that anyone who welcomes them or offers them a cup of cold water will be rewarded. What's more, he adds that anyone who welcomes them in fact welcomes Jesus, the one who sent them. Small acts of kindness and hospitality have significance beyond what we might expect. No matter how busy we are, there are opportunities every day to offer a cup of water here, or a helping hand there. All these small things play their part in building up God's kingdom.

As schools close and the summer holidays begin, I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable break wherever you go or whatever you do. I'm conscious that many people will be going off travelling or on holiday in the coming days or weeks and so I offer the following prayer.

Prayer for the holiday

Dear Lord, how we have waited for this holiday, and now it's finally here. Thank you Lord for the opportunity to take a break from our daily routines and to replenish our minds, bodies and souls so that they may better serve you. Sometimes our expectations for holidays are unrealistic and we find ourselves disappointed when things don't go our way.

Help us not to worry about having the PERFECT holiday but to relax and enjoy every moment, whatever it may bring. We are grateful for the joys that await us whether they be the beauty of your creation, recreation with family or friends, or peace and solitude.

Watch over us and protect us as we travel and bring us safely home again refreshed and renewed,
AMEN

With every blessing
Rev Peter McAnenly

RISE Summer Scheme 2nd-4th August in St Vincent de Paul Centre Chapel Lane from 9am - 2.30pm each day. For boys and girls who are starting Yr 8 in September. Exploring our faith through fun games, music, activities and building new friendships! £10 per child.

RISE

For more information contact Fr Thomas or Aoibhin in the parish office. **Pre-booking essential.**

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kathleen Sheridan, Eamon Nugent, Anne Donnelly, Teresa O'Brien, Sr. Elizabeth Casey, Danny Reilly, Patricia Connolly, Sean Nugent, Gerard Reid & Joe Farmer.

MONTHS MIND: Jean Kelly (1st), Lily McSorley (3rd), Patsy Ryan (7th July) & Desmond McManus (6th)

Weekly collection: £8502.89 & €90.29.

The Priest Dues Collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

Parish Safeguarding Reps are Aileen & Maura. Contact: tel. 07895 460797 or email at armaghparishsafeguarding@gmail.com

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.

Friday is the first Friday of the month. The sick and housebound will be visited in the coming days or as arranged with individual priests.

Holy Hour & Benediction in St. Malachy's Church on Friday evening from 8-9pm.

Confessions in St. Malachy's Church on Thurs at 12noon.

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.

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.

Pews in St. Patrick's Cathedral The kneelers on the pews in the transept of the Cathedral have recently been restored. We ask people not to stand on the kneelers & treat them with great care.

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.

Annual Cregagh Gardens Outdoor Mass 4th July @ 8pm. All welcome.

Gift Aid Thanks to all who avail of the Gift Aid Scheme but we're keen to increase the number of contributors within the parish. Gift Aid means for every £1 given through the envelope collection, the parish can claim an additional 25p from Inland Revenue, as long as you pay Income Tax and sign a declaration form, permitting the parish to claim. Gift Aid forms can be accessed on the parish website or by contacting the Parish Office.

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

Congratulations to Fr Michael We offer our congratulations to Fr Michael Donnelly from Armagh who was ordained priest for the Missionaries of the Holy Eucharist in France last Sunday. We look forward to having Fr Michael celebrate his First Mass with the people of our parish in St Malachy's Church on Friday 18 August at 7.30pm. We wish Fr Michael many happy years in his priestly ministry.

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

Cemetery Sunday in Armagh Thanks to all who were involved in planning for Cemetery Sunday in Armagh last Sunday. A special word of thanks to those who work in the Cemetery & to all who prepared family plots so beautifully for the special celebration.

Please note: there will be no Parish Bulletin on Sun 16th, 23rd or 30th July. All notices for the bulletin on Sunday 9th July must be with Claire at Parish Office no later than 12noon on Tues 4th July.

The Parish Office will be closed on Wed 12 and Thurs 13 July and will reopen at 9:30am

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. Due to a high volume of requests we cannot guarantee that notices submitted will be published in the Parish Bulletin.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, TULLYSARAN
ALL Baptisms & Weddings in Tullysaran must be booked in advance at Parish Office

Tullysaran Community Association: Tues 7-8pm Corebox; Tues 8.15-9pm Spin;
Best Wishes to Mr Patrick Mallon on his retirement! We offer our best wishes to Mr Patrick Mallon, Principal of Our Lady's Primary School, Tullysaran. We thank him for his years of great leadership and we wish him a long and happy retirement. Mr Mallon will be replaced by Mr Tomas McKee at the beginning of September.

CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE, KNOCKACONEY

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

Former Knockaconey School The former Knockaconey Primary School has now been leased to a private company—Bumble Bees Day Care Nursery. The day care nursery provision will be operating from Autumn 2017

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.

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.

Parish Radio Ministry After 11 years the Parish Radio Ministry has run its course. The transmitters are no longer functioning so transmission of the Masses is not available. If anyone wishes to return their radio please leave it into the Parish office. Thanks you to all those who supported this worthy cause over the years, you can still receive Masses from the Cathedral via the Cathedral Webcam, on www.armaghparish.net.

Annual Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of St Oliver Plunkett, Drogheda on Sunday, 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, warmly welcome. St Oliver Plunkett, pray for us.

Congratulations to everyone who received commemorative medals at the Pioneer Presentation Mass on Fri 23rd June. **60 years:** May Bradley, Jim Campbell, Eileen Fegan, Eugene Conlon, Pat Donaghy, Mairead Donaghy, Paddy McArdle, Jean Hanratty, May Hanratty, Miceal Hanratty, Susan Murphy, John Kearney, Thomas Murphy, Eithne O'Hare & Jack O'Hare. **50 years:** Leo Collins, Clair Daly, Oliver McGirr, Nuala O'Hagan, Eugene O'Hagan, Phil Quinn, Anne Sheridan. **25 years:** Liam McArdle.

Children's Liturgy Group

'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these' Mark 10: 13-16

Armagh Parish Pastoral Council will be starting a Children's Liturgy Group in the parish at the beginning of October. We plan to start the programme in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tullysaran and then extend it to the other churches later on in the year. A Children's Liturgy is the liturgy of the word suitably adapted to make it relevant to the lives and experiences of young children. We invite children from Year 1 to Year 4 to participate. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Claire in the Parish Office (Tel 37522813) leaving your name and number.

