

Nugent - Desert Lane We would like to thank everyone who gave a donation in lieu of flowers in memory of a much loved wife and mother, "Imelda" (RIP) £1,000 donations was gratefully received by Dementia N.I. - Paddy Nugent and family.

Armagh Widows next meeting **Thurs 13th Sept** in Community Centre, Cathedral Rd, 7pm - 9pm. New members welcome.

Legion of Mary Bus to Knock on **30th September**. More details to follow.

Permanent Diaconate Do you feel called to serve as a Permanent Deacon in the Archdiocese of Armagh? Contact Fr Brian White at 0035342 9322244 or speak with your local priest.

Grandparents National Pilgrimage Everyone is welcome to honour & thank Grandparents alive & dead for all they have done for us down through the ages. **Sun 9th Sept**, Knock Shrine at 2.30pm. Chief Celebrant: Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Apostolic Nuncio. Combined Choirs of Knock Parish, The Tuttle Family & Dana sings "Lady of Knock". For info & booking Gabrielle 07933 521105 or Catherina 07899 810181.

Public Rosary will take place on the 1st Saturday of every month for the intentions of reparation & purification of Holy Church. Market Street Armagh @ 3pm. Next Rosary will be - Oct 6th - Nov 10th - Dec 8th. All welcome.

Mission in Ireland Fr Peter Prusakiewicz (CSMA) is on a 11 day Mission in Ireland. He will be celebrating Mass in St Patrick's Church, Cullyhanna at 7.30pm on Thursday 13th September. He will give 2 homilies on St Faustina and St Michael the Archangel. Everyone is welcome. Blessing with a relic of St Faustina after Mass.

Armagh Diocesan Pioneer Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Matt Talbot in Dublin on **Sun 7th Oct**. Fare: £12 return. Bus will depart from St. Malachy's Church. Contact: Stella 38891002 or Ann 37551458.

Annual Hibernian Day Parade on **Sunday 9th September** in Coalisland at 3pm. All welcome!

St Padre Pio Weekend at Knock Shrine Our St Pio weekend at Knock Shrine takes place this year on the **15th & 16th Sept**. Speakers include: Rev Richard Gibbons PP, Fr Sean Kelly, Fr. Carlo Laborde (Guardian of the Friary in San Giovanni Rotondo & of the Shrine of St Pio). Personal testimony will be shared by a person who received a special grace from St. Pio. Mass will be at 4:30pm on Saturday, followed by a Holy Hour at 7pm. Sunday Mass will be celebrated at 2:30pm in the Basilica by His Grace, Most Rev. Donal McKeown, DD, Bishop of Derry. All welcome.

Cumann Seanchais Ard Mhacha Lecture on 'The Conscriptio crisis of 1918' by Dr Fiona Devoy-McAuliffe, University College Cork, in Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Memorial Library and Archive on **Wed 12th Sept** at 8pm. All welcome.

Family Care Adoption Services is presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. For a free information pack please contact us at: Tel:028 71 368592/028 90691133 Email: anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society - next monthly meeting on **Mon 3 Sept** in St Vincent de Paul Centre, Chapel Lane after 7.30 pm Mass in St Malachy's Church. All welcome to join in praying for Vocations. Please note the revised date for this monthly Mass and meeting.

Trip to Assisi & Rome with Canon Crawley Leaving **Sat 13th Oct** - returning 19th October. Staying 2 nights in Assisi & 4 nights in Rome. €970 pp sharing. Contact Canon Crawley on 02837531222 or Nuala 02837531242 or email info@keadyparish.net.

Na Piarsaigh Óg Lotto: 7/9/16/23. One winner. Next weeks Jackpot £1000
Abbey Lotto: 3/20/22/26. Next weeks Jackpot is £4500
St Colmcilles GAC Lotto: 5/18/20/23 Next weeks Jackpot is £2050

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2nd September

22nd Sunday of the Year

Reflection

I wonder did you dip your fingers in the Holy Water font on your way in to Mass today? If you did, you might like to reflect for a moment on how and why you did so. Was it an automatic gesture? Did you give any thought to the significance of what you were doing? Was it something you did out of habit? Did you simply bless yourself because it's part of the ritual of coming in to the Church building or did you think why you dip your fingers in Holy Water? Did you at any time associate the water with your Baptism or the accompanying words with the Holy Trinity or the gesture itself with the sign of the Cross? And finally, did you genuflect on your way in to your seat? If so, why? What did it look like - a quick flick? Or did you deliberately bend the knee to touch the ground? Did you just do it out of habit or did you think about Who you were genuflecting to and the significance of the ancient gesture of genuflecting?

I'm not posing these questions as some kind of quiz, to see if you are a good Catholic but I do so, to show how easily we can be like the Pharisees in today's Gospel. We can do things out of routine and with little thought or appreciation. The Pharisees were very religious people and they were very particular about observing all kinds of laws and regulations. They paid scrupulous attention to the external law while often neglecting more important considerations. Their behaviour prompted Jesus to say of them "these people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me".

Today's Gospel reminds us that there is more required than external observance. It's about motivation and purpose and where your heart is that really matters. We've often heard the expression "he didn't have his heart in it" or "she didn't have the heart for it". It's what is in a person's heart that really matters. If for example, forgiveness doesn't come from the heart, it's of little use. And the word peace - if it's not spoken from the heart, it won't make any difference. And the same for the word of welcome - you may open the door of your house to another person with kind words, but unless you make room for them in your heart, they are still a stranger to you.

Jesus was aware that outward, public behaviour doesn't necessarily reflect inward character. Maybe that's why at the beginning of his ministry, he invited people to "Set their hearts first on the Kingdom of God". Lord, help us to be sincere in everything we do and say. May what we express with our lips find expression in the quality of our lives. And may we put more heart in to our faith.

With every blessing,
Rev. Peter McAnenly, Adm.

*****Parish Trip to Lough Derg*****
(One Day Retreat)

Leaving from St. Patrick's Cathedral (back car-park) at 8am on **Saturday 22nd September**. Refreshments provided on the island. Pilgrims will enjoy a day of prayer, reflection, confessions and the celebration of Mass. Pilgrims are advised to wear warm & waterproof clothing. Bus will return to Armagh at approx. 6pm. Cost: £40 per person. Limited places. Booking & Payments at Parish Office. Payments no later than Wed 19th September.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Frank Devlin, Marie Hamill, Margaret O'Neill, Marie Kelly, Marie Kelly, Brieger MacSweeney, Joe McCartan and Teresa Campbell.

MONTHS MIND

Kathleen Magee (2nd), Marion Hughes (2nd), Mary Moore (2nd) and Brendan Kirk (4th).



Weekly Collection: £5,630 & €85.55

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

Anniversary Requests

All Anniversaries & Month's Minds 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.** You can leave anniversaries in as early as you wish, but anniversaries left in after this time are considered **late**, and therefore there is **no guarantee** that they will be read out at Mass. We request that you leave your anniversary in as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

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

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.

Silence in our Churches We ask people to be respectful when visiting our Churches for Masses and other events. Please keep noise levels to a minimum in these Sacred spaces.

The Cathedral Gift Shop carries a large range of religious gifts, candles, statues, books, cards and more! We encourage you to support the gift shop and the fantastic work of our shop team!

Adoration Chapel Adorers needed to cover: Monday 11am, Tuesday 9am, Wednesday 12noon & Friday at 11pm; Please contact Nora 37525265

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

Monsignor Raymond Murray On Wed 5th Sept, Mgr Murray will celebrate the 7:30pm Mass in St. Malachy's Church to mark his 80th Birthday. He would like to invite the people of the Parish to join with him on the evening to give thanks for the years of his life. All are welcome to join after the Mass in Armagh City Hotel for refreshments.

Sr Bernadette McArdle RSCJ We congratulate Sr. Bernadette on the Golden Jubilee of her first profession. We thank God for the witness of her life and we pray that God will continue to bless her with health and happiness.

Columban Fathers On Sun 9th Sept a special celebration will take place at the 11am Mass in Cathedral to give thanks for the Columban Fathers from the Archdiocese of Armagh who have ministered over the years. All are welcome to join for this special celebration. Celebrant: Archbishop Eamon Martin.

AIFREANN NA GAELIGE in ARD MHACHCA: Léifear an t- Aifreann i ndiaidh Sos an tSamhraidh sa tséipéal i gColáiste Phádraig dé Sathairn 8ú Meán Fomhair. Bíonn fáilte roimh Ghaeilgeoirí ag an Aifreann seo ar 5.30 i.n. gach Sathairn i rith an scoil-théarma. IRISH MASS: Mass will recommence after the Summer Break in the school chapel at SPGS on Saturday 8 September at 5.30pm

Friday is the first Friday of the month.

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

The Sick and Housebound will be visited in the coming days or as arranged with individual priests.

Confessions in St Malachy's on Thursday at 12noon

Mass for Life Archbishop Eamon will celebrate Mass to pray for the protection of life, from conception until the moment of natural death, in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, on **Tuesday, 11 September** at 7.30 p.m. Prayers of thanksgiving will be offered for all those who work and give witness for the protection of life.

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.

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, TULLYSARAN

Mass Novena Mass on Monday Evening at 7:30pm.

Months Mind Mass for Marion Hughes on Sunday 2nd at 10am.

Children's Liturgy Group will return on September 9th. The facilitators will be available after Mass to speak to parents of children hoping to participate this year.

Community Centre Indoor Bowls: Mon 3 Sept 8-10pm; Spin: Tues 4 Sept 8.15-9pm; Pilates: Wed 12 Sept 7-8pm; "On Your Feet" 4 week exercise programme starting Fri 28 Sept 10-11am in Tullysaran Community Centre. Fun filled programme for anyone still active but who may find a traditional exercise class too much For further information contact Martina on 07542509624

Tullysaran Comhaltas Music Classes (Fiddle and Tin Whistle) start **Thurs 13th Sept** 7-8pm in Tullysaran Community Centre. All newcomers welcome.

CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE, KNOCKACONEY

Months Mind Mass for Mary Moore at 11am Mass today (Sunday).

Family Photos Throughout the year, in the lead up to the World Meeting of Families, we have been developing a Parish Family Collage in the Cathedral. All of the families featured will be remembered in prayer for the remainder of the year. If you would like to include your family photo, please drop it into the Parish Office.

Armagh Parish Holy Spirit Prayer Group meet on Tuesdays at 8pm at new SVP Centre for prayer and praise. Guest Speaker 4th September: Fr Daniel Ihunnia. All Welcome

First Communion Dates—2019

Date	Primary School
Saturday 4th May	Christian Brothers Primary School
Sunday 5th May	Our Lady's Primary School, Tullysaran Mount St. Catherine's Primary School
Saturday 11th May	Saints and Scholars Primary School
Sunday 12th May	St. Malachy's Primary School St. Patrick's Primary School

Reflection on a New School Year

What will this year bring? We do not know; it will likely bring us its usual times of work and play, experiences of learning, newness, success & challenges. All things that are part of school life. It's a new beginning; the planting of a seed that will grow for a year; the seed of fruit that will blossom in times to come. It offers new hope; hope for good work, for successful results, for friendship, for fun, for learning. In this coming year, may there be learning, prayer and fun. May there be hard work, faith and friendship. May no one in school be lonely. May no one be left out in class. May no one suffer because of how others treat them. As we begin this new school year in hope, in prayer and friendship, may God begin it with us, be with us during it and successfully bring it to its

Prayer for the New School Year

Lord, you make all things new, you bring hope alive in our hearts and cause our spirits to be renewed. Thank you for this New Year and for all the potential that it holds. Help us in all that we do. Come and kindle in us a mighty flame so that in our time, many will see the wonders of God and live forever to praise your glorious name.
Amen.

