

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, TULLYSARAN

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

No Novena Mass this week.

Tullysaran Community Centre Mon 8-10pm Indoor bowls; Tues 7-8pm Corebox; Tues 8.15-9pm Spin; Wed 7-8pm Pilates; Easter Flower-arranging Mon 10th April 7-8pm. To book a place text 07542509624. No Irish dancing & parent toddler group due to Easter break

Mass there will be no Mass on **Wed 12th**, Mass instead on **Tues 11th** at 10am.

Tullysaran Comhaltas Easter Monday Traditional Session **17th April** Mary Anns at 9am. Supper, Raffle & Easter Egg Draw. All welcome.

SPRED, faith sharing group for people with learning difficulties, meets every 2 weeks to share activities, life experiences & a cup of tea. SPRED's aim is to integrate our friends into the liturgical life of the Parish. If you are a parent or guardian of a person aged 18+ who had learning difficulties & would like him/her to join our group, contact Lily 38891484. New faith friends also needed

Armagh Fire Fighters Charity Car Wash in association with St. Brigid's Camogie Club and The Fire Fighters Charity in the Shambles Yard **Saturday 22nd April 2017** 9.00am to 4.00pm.

Lislea Drama Group Presents an amateur production of Cupid Wore Skirts, a hilarious 3 Act Comedy in Lislea Community Centre. **Fri 21st, Sat 22nd & Sun 23rd April** at 8pm. Doors open at 7.30pm. Tickets available from cast, Lislea Committee members or pay at the door. Admission £8, Concession £5

St. Catherine's College Choir hosts Easter Community Service St Catherine's College students cordially invite you to our annual candle-lit Prayer Service in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, on **Tuesday 11th April** 7.30 – 8.30 pm. The programme will feature music, singing and reflections inspired by the Taizé tradition.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society Annual Outing to St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford. **3rd May**. Departing from St. Malachy's at 9am, refreshments enroute. Mass celebrated by Fr Thomas McHugh. Opportunity for shopping & sightseeing. **Cost £35, inc Coach Fare, refreshments & Evening Meal. Booking with Maura, Tel: 07752409636.**

The Beginning Experience Coping Programme is starting in the Convent of Mercy 8pm -**Thurs 27th April** for 7 weeks. Contact 079-348-71718 or bedundalk.wordpress.com

The members of **Apostolic Work** wish to thank everyone who contributed, in any way, to their successful Spring Sale. The response of our supporters & their generosity is amazing. We thank Mr. Peter Gildea for the use of his school & canteen. He & his staff accomodated us in every way. Thanks also to all who transported goods & to all who donated gifts & all helpers. Your money has gone to our Missionaries in famine areas in East Africa and to provide food, water, education, Church needs...etc in other parts of Africa, S. America & Asia. Your help is invaluable. Prizewinners: S. Loughran, F. Kerr, E. Hughes, G. Reilly, C. Woods, M. Connolly, F. Scallon, J. Mackle, C. Bradley, M. Garvey. E. McAuley, G. Traynor, M. Boyle, A. McGirr, A.M. McLoughlin, M. McCloskey, Mons. Murray, C. White, M. McGinn & M. Loughran.

Armagh Diabetes Group next meeting **Wed 12th April** in Dobbin St Community Centre 7.30pm. Guest speaker Aidan Mc Crystal will give a talk on Diabetes and eye care. Admission is free and all are welcome.

SVP Shop volunteers required Please consider volunteering one morning or afternoon a week to work as part of a warm and friendly team in Vincent's retail shop Thomas St. Training will be provided for suitable candidates. For more info 02837 510922.



Na Piarasigh Óga Lotto: 10/12/14/25 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £2450

Abbey Lotto: 16/19/22/23 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £2800

Tullysaran Lotto: 5/6/9/16 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot £1125

St Colmcilles GAC Lotto: 7/14/19/23 No winner. Next weeks Jackpot is £2000



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9th April 2017

Palm Sunday

Reflection

The extraordinary journey through Holy Week is peppered with acts of betrayal. There is Judas' betrayal of Jesus with a kiss. We are left wondering how a friend, a confidant, could betray someone as cruelly as Judas did. And yet we know that it can happen so easily – if the price is right. Imagine how Jesus felt when he was betrayed by his friend. Imagine how we would feel, if one of our best friends did something like that to us.

Then there is Peter, who cowers before the pointing finger of a servant girl, and denies he ever knew Jesus. That denial must have been particularly hard for Jesus to take, after all, this was the man to whom Jesus had entrusted special responsibility, a man who only a short while before had insisted that he would never, ever, let Jesus down. Fear prevents Peter from doing the right thing. And then there is the abandonment of Jesus by so many of his other followers. He had invested so much in them, shown them so much love and patience, gifted them with his friendship, instructed them and taught them, and now they desert him when the going gets tough. Imagine how hurt, disappointed and alone Jesus must have felt.

Holy Week is one long tale of betrayal, denial, fear, abandonment. It showcases the human condition in all its weaknesses. But the week is much more than a tragic tale. It's also an extraordinary story of the triumph of forgiveness over betrayal, reconciliation over abandonment, mercy over weakness, light over darkness, life over death.

On the cross, in this darkest hour, Jesus forgives his own killers, forgives all those who have let him down. "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

After the resurrection, the risen Jesus encounters Peter by the lake. After all that happened, Peter must have felt so embarrassed and ashamed to meet the risen Lord, but Jesus reaches out to him in love and forgives him.

As we journey through Holy Week, think about the betrayal and abandonment of Jesus by his friends and followers, and how often we betray and abandon him. But think too of the mercy and forgiveness that were on display even in the deepest darkness of that week, and pray that we will be people who know that same mercy and forgiveness, and practice it in our lives.

With every blessing
Rev P McAenly Adm

Divine Mercy Sunday - 23 April

2.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Blessing of Divine Mercy Image
3.00pm	The Chaplet
3.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
4.30pm	Time for personal veneration of Divine Mercy Image



RECENTLY DECEASED: Jimmy Nugent, Barry Toal, Annette Maginness, Anne Mooney, Clarice Halligan, Dessie Sheridan, Ann McElvanna & Thomas Donnelly

MONTHS MIND: Paddy McConville (10th)

Weekly collection amounted to £ 7116.93 & € 311.55

World Family Meeting collection amounted to £ 3373.33 & € 432.44

Lenten Masses continue each day in St Malachy's Church at 7am & 7:30pm and in St Patrick's Cathedral at 10am.

Penance Service in preparation for Easter

The Penance Service will take place in St Malachy's Church on Monday 10 April at 7.30pm. A number of priests will be present on the evening, to help us prepare for the celebration of Easter.

Parish Safeguarding The contact persons for the Parish are Aileen & Maura, they can be contacted @ armaghparishsafeguarding@gmail.com or 07895 460797.

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

All requests for prayers and Masses to be arranged through the Parish Office. The list of intentions is sent to the churches on a Friday morning, containing all intentions from the Saturday night vigil Mass until the following Saturday morning. **Only Anniversaries and Month's Minds left in the Parish Office by 12 noon on 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. The course is on the first Monday & third Wednesday of every month. All Baptisms **must be booked through the Parish Office. All Baptisms must be paid for in advance in order to secure the booking.**

If you're interested in becoming an Adorer in the Adoration Chapel Contact Nora 37 525265

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

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

First Saturday's Devotion In celebration of the

100 years since the appearance of Our Lady in Fatima, on the first Saturday of each month, Confessions will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral at 9.15am, followed by Mass at 10am & recitation of the Rosary immediately after in Our Lady's Chapel. Please come along and join in this act of devotion in this special Jubilee Year.

Distribution of Weekly Envelopes Any home/family that has not received envelopes & wishes to do so should contact the Parish Office.

Book Launch A new book titled 'The Cross of Addiction' edited by Rev Barry Matthews, who is to be ordained to the priesthood later this year, will be launched by Archbishop Martin in Cuan Mhuire on **Tues 11th April** at 1pm. All welcome.

Aifreann na Gaeilge Le sos na Cásca, ní léifear Aifreann na Gaeilge i séipéal Choláiste Phádraig arís go dtí **29ú Aibreán**. No Irish Mass in SPGS until after the Easter Break on **Sat 29 April**.

St. Brigid's High School, Armagh

The Trustees of St. Brigid's High School, Armagh have confirmed the lease of St. Brigid's High School to Southern Regional College for a period of 3.5 years with immediate effect. Preparations are currently being made for the College to function within the building from September 2017.

Gift Aid

At the start of a new financial year in the Church it is now the ideal time to consider signing up for Gift Aid on your weekly contributions. Gift Aid gives Armagh Parish an extra 25p for every £1 donated.

Donating through Gift Aid is hassle free - all you need to do is a fill out a Gift Aid declaration form. This is a statement from you to the Church confirming that you want to donate through Gift Aid & receive tax back on your donation.

To sign up please ask for the relevant form in the Parish Office.

The Parish Office will be closed on Easter Monday and Tuesday. The office reopens on Wed 19th April 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.

Holy Week and Easter Ceremonies

Masses for Holy Week

Cathedral 10am Monday – Wednesday

St Malachy's – 7am Monday – Wednesday

7.30pm Tuesday – Wednesday

Confessions/Reconciliation for Easter

Holy Week Penance Service in St Malachy's Church on

Monday 10 April at 7.30pm.

No Mass but Novena prayers will be said & the deceased/anniversaries will be remembered.

Cathedral after 10am Mass: 10th, 11th & 12th April

St Malachy's after 7.30pm Mass: 11th & 12th April & on Holy Saturday from 12–1pm

Chrism Mass will be celebrated on **Thurs 13 April at 11am** in St Patrick's Cathedral.

Easter Triduum Celebration

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper

7pm St Patrick's Cathedral

7.30pm St Malachy's, Tullysaran and Knockaconey.

Altars of Repose close at 10pm with Night Prayer

Good Friday

The Lord's Passion

3pm St Patrick's Cathedral, St Malachy's & Tullysaran

7.30pm Knockaconey

Stations of the Cross

3pm Knockaconey

7.30pm St Malachy's & Tullysaran

Prayer around the Cross

9pm St Malachy's

Holy Saturday

St Patrick's Cathedral

10am Morning Prayer

9pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

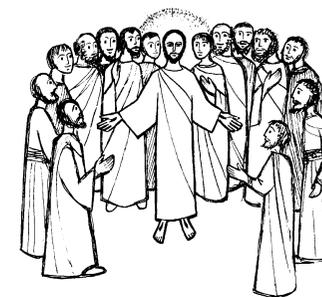
Masses as usual on Sunday except **NO 5.30pm Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral**

Trocaire Boxes should be returned to any of the Churches in the parish during the Easter Triduum. It would be appreciated if loose coins could be changed into notes.

St. Patrick's Cathedral Organ

Prior to the refurbishment of St Patrick's Cathedral in 2002/2003, a free standing organ was sited in the South Transept, which is now the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. This organ was sold to the parish of Haggardstown and Blackrock, Co Louth just before the restoration work began.

As stated in the parish bulletin last year, the parish offered the organ back to the Cathedral for much less than it paid. The organ is of exceptional quality and given the fact that the parish received a legacy from a local family last year, the Parish Finance Committee decided to buy the organ back and have it reinstated in the Cathedral. The organ is to be rebuilt in the coming weeks and it will contribute greatly to the celebration of Liturgies in St Patrick's Cathedral.



Good Friday collection in aid of Christians in the Holy Land. Please support and please use the envelope provided.

Stations of the Cross leaflets available at the back of each Church.