

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Armagh

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Mass Times

St Patrick's Cathedral

Monday - Saturday: 10am
Sunday Vigil: 6.30pm
Sunday: 11am, 12.30pm & 5.30pm

St Malachy's Church

Tuesday - Friday: 8am
Mon, Wed & Fri: 7:30pm
Tues & Thurs: Prayer Service - 7:30pm
Sunday: 8am & 9.30am

Church of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday: 7:30pm

St Colmcille's Church

Sunday: 10am

Confessions in St Malachy's Church on Saturdays @ 12 noon.

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Baptisms & Weddings - to book your baptism or wedding, please contact the Parish Office.

Dear Friends,

This week we celebrate The Holy Trinity and it is fitting that we should do this in the Parish of St Patrick. The simple Shamrock was the tool used by St Patrick to teach the Irish people about the Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit - Three in One and One in Three. We each possibly have a different relationship with each member of the Trinity, personally I pray to God the Father, I am aware of the presence of Jesus sustaining and nourishing my life every day and if someone asks for prayers for themselves or a loved one I invoke the Holy Spirit upon them.

This week is an opportunity to reflect on our own relationship with the Holy Trinity - to ask how we relate to them and to renew our relationship with each member. It is fitting therefore that we should use this weekend in our parish to focus on another great icon of St Patrick - our Cathedral. As you know we are currently fundraising for the necessary and important works that we need to carry out on the structure to ensure water is kept out and that the safety of the structure and the steps are maintained for future generations.

I want to personally thank all those who have supported the fundraising efforts to date and encourage you if you can to help out - this is an important opportunity to renew the legacy of faith for future generations and to hand on the gift of faith. Conscious of the many requests for help that we all receive - I hope that you will be able to help even a little.

Our Friends of the Cathedral Campaign invited donations of £1,000 and our Patrons Programme invites donations of £5,000 each donation will be recognised officially. Of course the building is only a part of what it means to be a faith community but I believe that like that Shamrock it is an important icon of our faith and heritage.

Fr Barry Matthews Adm.

Anniversaries & Month's Mind Masses 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. Anniversaries are read out at all Masses on weekday and one Sunday Mass. Months Minds will be remembered at the 12:30pm Mass on Sunday following the Months Mind. We request that you leave your anniversary in as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

St Patrick's Cathedral Gift Shop The Cathedral Gift Shop is open each day from 10.30am - 1.30pm and it stocks a wide variety of cards and gifts for special occasions, including traditional Irish crafts and gifts and souvenir booklets on the Cathedral.

St Patrick's Prayer Guild Mass Bouquets and Mass Cards Our new range of Mass Bouquets and Mass Cards are now available in the Cathedral Shop and in the Sacristy of St Malachy's Church after Masses. The 10am Mass each Saturday in the Cathedral is dedicated to St Patrick's intercession and the intentions for these Mass Cards/Bouquets will all be included in this weekly Mass.

Visitation Anyone wishing to receive a visit from a Priest or have a house blessing are invited to leave their name, address, postcode and phone number in the Parish Office. Anyone who is aware of a family member, friend or neighbour who is housebound are invited to let the Parish Office know to ensure those most in need are attended to. Family Members are reminded to ensure that their loved ones in Hospital are seen by the Hospital Chaplain on duty and that they receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

Priests' Dues Collection

£5470 & €72.62

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Sr. Carina Muldoon, Ruth McAnallen, Brian Molloy, Kevin Duffy, Rose Rafferty and Kevin Cartmill.

MONTHS MIND

We pray for: Mairead McQuade (26th), Geoffrey Brennan (29th), and Sammy Gillespie (31st)



May they rest in peace.

Corpus Christi Procession We invite all First Communion Pupils & their families, as well as all our parishioners, to gather at St Malachy's Church at 4.15pm on 2nd June to process to St Patrick's Cathedral for 5:30pm Mass. Please wear your First Communion Clothes. All are welcome and invited to join for this very special occasion.

St Patrick's Cathedral Rosary Group invite you to join them in reciting the Holy Rosary each morning (Monday- Saturday) before 10am Holy Mass, beginning at 9.30am. Those unable to attend can listen online. All welcome.

The Friends of St Patrick's Cathedral Fundraising Campaign continues This weekend we will have a special collection for the Cathedral Renovation Fund. All funds collected in the Parish that day will go towards this campaign. A special word of thanks to the "Cathedral Ambassadors" who have been visiting Parishes in the Diocese as part of our Fundraising Campaign. We thank all those who have contributed to date. If you can help, please contact Fr Barry or Caroline in the Parish Office.



Adoration Please consider spending an hour with the Lord each week. Our Eucharistic Adoration takes place each day in St Malachy's Church from after Mass (8:30am weekdays) until evening (7pm weekdays - 5pm weekend). Please sign the attendance sheet in the Church & encourage family and friends to engage with this special apostolate. We especially need adorers from 9am to 11am.

Legion of Mary are inviting new members to join our Junior (7-11yo's) and Intermediate (12- 17yo's) groups on Mondays 6-7.30pm in SVP Centre, 1-5 Chapel Lane, Armagh. We pray the Rosary, learn more about our Faith, make new friends and become more involved in Church life. More Information can be found on the Parish website.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults welcome new members. RCIA is for people who have not been Baptised or have not received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation. We also welcome Catholics who have been away from the Church and wish to learn about their Faith. We meet every Tues at 7.30pm in St Catherine's Irish Secondary School. For more info 07856 172206

Prayer for Vocations O Jesus, send labourers into your fields, which are awaiting holy apostles, saintly priests, heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers. Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation. Grant that Christian families may desire to give your Church, helpers in the work of tomorrow. Amen.



Date for your diary! On Wednesday 6th June, there will also be a talk on the History of Devotion to the Sacred Heart at 2.30pm in the St. Vincent Paul Centre, Chapel Lane with Sr Mary Roe. All welcome.

Triduum of Prayer to St Anthony All are invited to join for a special Triduum of Prayer to St Anthony from Tuesday 11th June - 13th June. Mass will be celebrated at 10am in St Patrick's Cathedral and 7:30pm in St Malachy's Church each day. We pray that St Anthony will intercede for us all.

Legion of Mary are gathering at Our Lady's Shrine at Dalton Road during the Month of May on Monday evenings at 8.10pm (after 7.30pm Mass in St Malachy's) to pray the Rosary. All welcome.

Armagh Parish Holy Spirit Prayer Group welcome new people to join us at the Synod Hall on Tuesday evenings. Join us for a cuppa at 7.30pm, Rosary at 7.40pm, and Prayer meeting from 8-9.30pm. All welcome.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Saturday 22nd June. Further details regarding booking etc will be provided later.

St. Brigid 1500 - Family Fun Day, Dundalk The Archdiocese of Armagh in partnership with the parishes of Dundalk, will host a Family Fun Day in the grounds of St. Patrick's Church, Dundalk, on Sunday 16th June 2024 from 3pm - 6pm. The family fun day is free of charge and will be followed by a procession to St. Nicholas' Church, Dundalk, for a special prayer service dedicated to St. Brigid. Please note that under 16's must be accompanied. The event is part of the Archdiocese of Armagh's year-long celebrations to mark the life and legacy of St. Brigid, on this the 1500th anniversary of her death. All are invited to attend.

Westenders Social Dance in Sherry's Field on Wednesday 29th May from 2pm-5pm. Gold Ring Band playing. Entrance £5 includes refreshments.

Anam Cara Armagh the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 29th May at 7:15pm in the Armagh City Hotel. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online support service. Contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 028 95213120 for any queries.

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Services is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church and have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage - then accord wants to hear from you. An Accord marriage preparation facilitator is a personally fulfilling leadership role, blending life experience and faith. Successful applicants will receive professional training and be part of the team delivering preparation programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie

Prayer to the Most Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father,
Who by His almighty power and love created me,
making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son,
Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell,
and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism,
and continues to sanctify me
by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity,
now and forever.
Amen.

Prayer before Exams

Loving God, be with me now,
as I prepare for my exams.
Thank you for the many talents
and gifts you have given me
and for the opportunity of education.
Calm my nerves and anxiety,
help me to remember all that I have studied,
to express it clearly and to answer the questions
the very best that I can. Holy Spirit, sit with me in my
exams and always.
In Jesus' name, Amen.