



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

Sunday: 10am

St Colmcille's Church

Saturday: 6pm

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

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To book a baptism or wedding,
please contact the Parish Office.

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Dear Friends,

In many ways today's gospel deals with the virtues that we are all encouraged to display - the Cardinal Virtues of Wisdom, Courage, Fairness & Self-control as well as practices such as Gratitude, Kindness & Patience are very much missing in many areas of life in society today. The old saying "say what you mean & mean what you say" comes to mind when reading the Gospel this weekend. Like all the parables, Jesus speaks this weekend to encourage us to live better lives where we can witness to our many blessings.

This weekend we begin our Week of Hope for this year - the speakers who are joining us are wonderful examples of individuals who are moving through life trying to assist others as they go, each one with an important message to share with us about where they see Hope in the world today. We all need an opportunity to lift our hearts and our heads to see the Light of Christ and sometimes it takes a week such as this to enable us to take a step back and see that it's not all bad in a world where it is hard to find good news in the public square.

I encourage you to make this week "Your Week of Hope" for that is what it is - we have invited these wonderful guests into our parish to nourish us and to sustain us as we enter into the darker days of autumn and winter. I would ask you to please also invite someone whom you know, maybe a family member, a work colleague or a friend - ask them to join you during this week - encourage them and let them know that they will receive the warmest of welcomes. This Week of Hope has the potential to leave a lasting blessing on the lives of many - however this can only happen if we work together.

With every blessing,

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 or 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 lovely variety of cards and gifts for special occasions, including traditional Irish crafts and gifts and souvenir booklets on the Cathedral.

The Beatification of Blessed Fulton Sheen will take place this week. To learn more visit <https://www.celebratesheen.com/>

Weekly Collection

£5575 & €181.50

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Patrick McDonagh, Rosaleen Conlon, Brigid Daly,
John McGirr, Elizabeth McCrilly, Bill McGinn and Deirdre White.

MONTHS MIND

We pray this week for: Joseph McKenna, Martin Shields, Alice Daly,
James Murphy and Ann Murphy.

May they rest in peace



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 & friends to engage with this special apostolate. Adoration from 7-10pm each Tuesday & Thursday in the Adoration Chapel. All welcome to join.



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.

Divine Mercy for Peace Our Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon hour of mercy continues in the Cathedral at 3pm. We dedicate this hour to prayer for world peace during this difficult moment in our world where war and violence affect so many. All welcome.

"Christmas at the Cathedral" Concert

with Malachi Cush, Karl McGuckin, St Catherine's College Choir and special guests. Tickets are £25 and are available online by scanning the QR code.



OCIA Programme The Order of Christian Initiation Programme is designed to accompany adults who are interested in joining the Catholic Faith. This programme is an opportunity for adults who may not have any formal catechesis to learn about the faith while developing their relationship with Jesus. Our Programme will begin in September. Anyone interested in joining are asked to speak to any of the clergy or leave your name in the Parish Office.

LEAP Young Adult Group Our Parish Young Adult Group continues in the Parochial Hall each Tuesday at 8pm. There'll be a cup of tea, a bit of craic and light discussion on a topic. All young people aged 18-35 are welcome to join.

Armagh Parish Holy Spirit Prayer Group welcome you to join us at the Synod Hall on Tuesday evenings from 8-9.30pm to experience spiritual growth & community. Rosary at 7.45pm. All welcome.

Anam Cara the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 30th September at 7.30pm in 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 how recent their death was. To find out more call 014045378 or email info@anamcara.ie.

Mass with the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated at 10am on Saturday 3rd October as part of our 'Week of Hope'. All are invited. We especially welcome those who are infirm or less able bodied to join us at this special Mass.

Parish Social Morning As part of our 'Week of Hope', we will gather after the 10am Mass on Saturday 3rd October in the Synod Hall for a Parish Social Morning. Music will be provided by the Westenders Ukulele group. All are welcome to gather for this special moment in this important week.

Confessions will be available each evening of our Week of Hope from 6:30pm in the Cathedral. Please consider availing of this Sacrament of God's Mercy.

Parish Prayer Book As part of our Week of Hope, we are launching our new Parish Prayer Books. These are available in all of our churches. Suggested donation: £3.

Week of Hope Programme

Join us each day in St Patrick's Cathedral to celebrate this Week of Hope

Date	Time	Speaker	Theme
Sat 26th September	6.30pm	International Mass	United in Jesus' Love
Sun 27th September	5:30pm	Fr Conor McGrath Down & Connor Vocations Director	Hope in the Youth
Mon 28th September	7pm	Maria Steen Barrister & Campaigner	Hope in the Public Square
Tues 29th September Feast of the Archangels	7pm	Aidan Forker Armagh Senior Men's GAA Captain	Hope on the Field
Wed 30th September Feast of St Jerome	7pm	Sinéad Strong Founder of Catholic Mothers Ireland	Hope in the Home
Thurs 1st October Feast of St Thérèse	7pm	Paul McCusker Director of Belfast People's Kitchen	Hope for the Homeless
Fri 2nd October The Holy Guardian Angels	7pm	Rev Matthew Hagan Newry Hospice Chaplain	Hope in the Hospice
Sat 3rd October St Columba Marmion	6.30pm	Do This in Memory Mass	Hope in Families
Sun 4th October	11am	Archbishop Eamon Martin	Hope All Around Us

Please note there will be no 7:30pm Mass or Prayer Service celebrated in St Malachy's Church this week.