



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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SVP Helpline: 07733 482604

Dear Friends,

This weekend we receive an invitation from the Lord, an invitation to a deeper relationship with Him, to join with Him in opening our hearts to the wonders and possibilities that a life lived in faith holding close the values of our Church offers us. We are of course aware that while we are all welcome very many people choose the ways of the material world over the ways of God. Many people in our increasingly secular society choose to live lives where God is excluded and faith is almost seen as an imposition rather than a gift.

Last week during our 'Week of Hope' we became more aware of the importance of being present - together we brought hope to one another, together we witnessed to our shared hope and together we received nourishment of great joy - almost in stark contrast to the events which were happening around us.

We have been given the gift of free will - in the second reading from St Paul to the Philippians we hear how "there is nothing we cannot master with the help of God who gives us strength". We are given the choice of building a deeper lasting relationship with God who sustains and guides us or living lives 'our way' looking and listening to the material world for our guidance - the directions we receive from the material world will result in our lives reflecting the chaos of the world around us - living in union with God will bring us the peace, joy & hope of God's promise.

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.

Weekly Collection

£6710 & €147.74

Week of Hope Collection

£2181 & €129.90

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Pat Hamilton, Maura Fox, Sr. Joanne Kelly MMM,
Julie Feighan, Leo Hart and Patrick McDonagh,.

MONTHS MIND

We pray this week for: Brigid Daly & Rosaleen Conlon

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.



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 vrelationship with Jesus. Our Programme will begin on 22nd October at 6.30pm in the Parochial House. 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.



St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Sacramental Dates 2027

Ceremonies of Light @ 7pm - Cathedral

23rd Feb St Malachy's, St Patrick's and Saints & Scholars
25th Feb Mt St Catherine's, Armstrong, Our Lady's & CBS

First Confessions

1st March St Patrick's P.S.
2nd March CBS PS
3rd March St Malachy's PS
4th March Mt St Catherine's PS & Armstrong PS
4th March Our Lady's PS
9th March Saints & Scholars PS

Lisanally Special School Sacraments

25th February Ceremony of Light & First Confessions
6th March 1st Holy Communion & Confirmation

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

Lectio Divina All are welcome to join for Lectio Divina with Sr Mary Roe in the Parochial Hall each Wednesday from 14th October immediately after the 10am Mass.

Willie Nugent's CD "THE STEPS" is now on sale in

the Cathedral Gift Shop, the Parish Office and St Malachy's Sacristy. They cost £2 each with entire proceeds in aid of Cathedral Funds.



Archbishop Eamon Martin's Pastoral Letter "Go, Rebuild My Church" is now available to read on our website or by scanning the QR Code.

Disabled Access Doors The disabled access doors at the Cathedral have been fixed. The disabled doors at the Cathedral & St Malachy's are delicate enough and we encourage able-bodied parishioners to use the alternative doors. We thank you for your co-operation.

Aifreann Gaeilge Thosaigh Aifreann na Gaeilge arís an mhí seo caite i ndiaidh sos an tSamhraidh agus léifear an chéad Aifreann Gaeilge eile ar an tríú Satharn den Mhí seo, 17ú Deireadh Fómhair, in Eaglais Naomh Maolmhaoldhóg, Ard Mhacha, ar 4.00 i.n. Beidh fáilte ar ais roimh chách. Scaipigí an scéal.

Irish Mass Last month Irish Mass resumed after the Summer break, and the next Irish Mass will be celebrated in St Malachy's Church, Armagh, on the third Saturday of this month, 17th October at 4.00pm. All welcome: Irish speakers and those interested in learning Irish. Spread the word!

Let's Talk About Faith next gathering will take place on Thurs 15th October in the Parochial Hall at 7.15 pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by tea and an opportunity for friendly conversation. We will then read and reflect on a section of the Catechism together. Whether you are exploring the Catholic faith, wishing to deepen your understanding, or simply looking to meet and chat with others, all are very welcome.



First Holy Communion

10th April Our Lady's P.S. - 11am - Tullysaran
CBS - Bunscoil - 11am - St Malachy's
CBS - English - 1pm St Malachy's
17th April Saints & Scholars - 11am - St Malachy's
Mt St Catherine's & Armstrong - 11am - Cathedral
24th April St Patrick's PS - 11am - Cathedral
St Malachy's PS - 11am - St Malachy's

Confirmation @ 2pm in St Patrick's Cathedral

15th May St Malachy's, St Patrick's and Saints & Scholars
16th May Mt St Catherine's, Armstrong, Our Lady's and CBS