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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Dear Friends,

In this Sunday's Gospel we hear those immortal words "Happy are those who mourn, they will be comforted" - there are moments when these words can challenge us, indeed none more than following the loss of a loved one. Emotions at the time of loss and bereavement can be difficult to navigate - sometimes we don't know if we are coming or going - we can feel the weight of loss to such a degree that even the most genuine words of comfort cause distress.

Grief is a difficult cross to bear! Death is painful - the physical separation from a loved one is an experience that no-one else can live or understand as it is directly connected to who we are and the relationship we held with those whom we lost. We are people of hope however - our hope is in God's promise of eternal life - Christian hope reminds us that we are on a journey towards our eternal homeland where we will be reunited with those who have gone before us. Many people have lost sight of the bigger picture - that life is a journey towards the eternal - some people are so caught up in the here and now - in the material world that they have lost sight of the eternal journey.

During this month of November, we take time to remember and pray for those who have died. Whether their passing was recent or long ago, we unite our prayers with theirs, asking that they may see the light of heaven and rise with Christ in glory. Even when prayer feels difficult in times of grief, we can find comfort in knowing that our loved ones now adore God in His presence. Each time we participate in the Holy Mass and adore Jesus in the Eucharist, we are united with them in a profound and sacred way. May the memories of our beloved dead inspire us to live each day more deeply rooted in faith, hope, and charity — always mindful of the promise of resurrection and eternal life in Christ.

I encourage you to please join our Special Feast Day Mass on Tuesday evening for the Feast Day of St Malachy in St Malachy's Church at 7:30pm during which we will pray for Peace in our Country and in our World through St Malachy's intercession.

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.

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 Monthly Mass All are welcome to our first Thursday Divine Mercy Mass on 5th November in St Colmcille's Church, Knockaconey. This month features a special prayer and Mass dedicated to our beloved departed ones. Confessions: 7pm. Chaplet/Mass: 7.30pm. Come let us together commit our beloved faithful departed to the mercy of God.

Weekly Collection £3856.00 & €179.22

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for: Una McGinn, Brenda O'Neill, Jack O'Hare, May Bradley, Arthur Halligan, Paddy McInteggart, Paddy McArdle, Conor McCann, Baby Vinny Michéal Donnelly, Michael Flynn, Brian Kelly.

MONTHS MIND



We pray this week for: Pat Hamilton & Jan Ocytko

May they rest in peace

Divine Mercy for Peace Join our Monday, Wednesday and Friday hour of mercy in the Cathedral at 3pm. We dedicate this hour to pray for world peace. All welcome.

November Lists for the Dead are available at the back of all our churches and can be returned to any of the churches.

Remembrance Trees are in place in each of our Churches. Please write the name of your loved one to be remembered during the month of November and place it on the tree.

Parish Masses for the Dead
1st Nov - Church of the Immaculate Conception - 10am
2nd Nov - St Malachy's Church at 7:30pm
7th Nov - St Colmcille's Church - 6pm

The Legion of Mary lead a Rosary in the Cemetery each Sunday in November at 3pm to pray for our beloved decease. All welcome.

OCIA Programme is an opportunity for adults who may not have any formal catechesis to learn about the faith while developing their relationship with Jesus. We meet on Thursday at 6:30pm in the Parochial House.

"Christmas at the Cathedral" Concert with Malachi Cush, Karl McGuckin, St Catherine's College Choir and special guests on Friday 11th December. Tickets are £25 and are available online by scanning the QR code.

LEAP Young Adult Group continues in the Parochial Hall each Tuesday at 8pm with 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 Tues evenings from 8-9.30pm to experience spiritual growth & community. Rosary at 7.45pm. All welcome.

Bereavement Support will begin on Wed 4th Nov at 2pm in the Parochial Hall and will be led by Deacon Eunan. This is an informal gathering in which people can meet for a cup of tea and chat about loss and grief in a relaxed setting.

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

Trocaire Christmas Gifts If you want to give a gift that shows how much you care, then please support our Trocaire Christmas Gift Sale the weekend of the 15th November at all Masses in St Patrick's Cathedral and St Malachy's.

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Christmas Draw

PRIZES:

1st: £4,000
2nd: £1,000
3rd: Trip to Lourdes (1 person) *or* £500.00
4th: Afternoon tea for 2: *Castle Leslie, Monaghan*
5th-10th: Christmas Hampers

Date of Draw: 19th December 2026

Tickets £10.00 each or 3 for £20.00
T&C's apply



Tickets are available to purchase from the Parish Office and the Cathedral Gift Shop.

You can also scan our QR Code to purchase a ticket online

Triduum of Prayer for the Feast of St Malachy begins today at 9:30am Mass in St Malachy's Church and continues on Mon 2nd Nov at 7:30pm and concludes at a special Feast Day Mass on Tuesday 3rd November at 7:30pm in St Malachy's Church.

Prayer to St Malachy

Glorious Saint Malachy, ardent yet gentle shepherd of God's people, we come before you seeking your intercession and protection in this time of trial. Malachy, angel of peace, who brought those in conflict to be reconciled in the name of Christ, grant lasting peace and reconciliation to our country. Mighty pillar of the Church, who banished error by the truth of your preaching, obtain for each of us the grace of sincere repentance and renewal, that we may serve the Lord in holiness all our days. Most fatherly Archbishop of Armagh, enkindle the hearts of bishops and priests that, aided by your patronage and example, they may labour to form a holy people, strong in faith, constant in prayer, abounding in charity, devoted to the Sacraments and loyal to the See of Peter. O Saint rich in mercy and compassion, look upon all who are suffering or in need and obtain for them support, healing and hope. St Malachy, ablaze with heavenly fire, be a light to guide us on our pilgrim way to the Kingdom of Heaven. There may we be united with you in singing the praises of God for ever and ever. Amen.

LEAP Clothing Collection LEAP are collecting new/pre-loved sleeping bags, hats, gloves, jumpers & coats only. These items will be delivered to the People's Kitchen, Belfast to be distributed to homeless people living on the streets. Items can be left to the Parochial Hall each Monday in November between 3:30pm-5pm.

Christmas Food Hamper Appeal In December, we will be collecting non-perishable food items for Annual Christmas Food Hamper Appeal to donate to those who need them. Items to donate: Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Beans, Tinned Vegetables, Cereal, Porridge, Tins of Sweets, Tinned Custard, Rice, Biscuits. (Non-perishable items only). We will begin accepting donations in December.

Vocations Society of St Joseph The next monthly Branch Mass will be held on Wed 4th Nov at 7.30 pm in St. Malachy's Church. Deceased members & benefactors will be remembered during the celebration of Holy Mass and during our Rosary & meeting which will take place immediately afterwards in the Parochial Hall. New members are most welcome to join us in Praying for Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life.

Lourdes Coffee Morning All are welcome to join for the a Coffee Morning on Sat 14th Nov from 10am-2pm in the Parochial Hall All proceeds go to Loudres Pilgrimage in May 2027.