

ST MALACHY'S PARISH BULLETIN

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Parish Office hours:

Mon-Thurs: 9.30 am - 1.30 pm Parish Priest: Fr Thomas McGlynn

Sunday 23rd February 2025

We want Saint Malachy's to be a Living Community of Faith, centred on the person of Jesus Christ where all people are accepted, made welcome, and called to New Life.

> St Malachy's Bethany Bereavement Group If you would like to contact us Please phone 07954350848

Jesus said "I have come that you may have life and have it to the full" John 10:10

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of

Charles Monaghan David Valente Rita McNamara

Anniversaries

Nora O'Riley **Catherine Joyce** Tony Drain Rita O'Connor (nee Moss) James Callaghan **Rose Callaghan** Marie Malone Joe Fitzpatrick Harold Davison Maggie O'Kane Mary McCluskey **Brendan Brown** Paddy Hanna Esther Vallely

Bernadette Davison Dinah Henry Geraldine McStravick Peter Campbell Jim Hargey Sadie O'Hara Bobby O'Neill Patrick Smyth Ellen McLaren Geraldo Quinn Mary McQuillan John Murtagh Sean McKiernan

This week the lamps burn for:

Bridget, Theresa & Davy Campbell Patricia Walker & Family **Special Intention** Thanksgiving Niamh John Lagan Kathleen Lagan & Family Catriona Murtagh & Family Barbara Ellen McLaren

Helen, Colin & Family Margarette Toner Holy Souls **Forgotten Souls** Mary McCluskey Harold Davison Bernadette Davison Geraldine McStravick Peter Campbell Aisling McNally

Weekday Public Masses

Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday -1 pm

No Mass on Wednesdays

Saturday Evening Mass

6 pm

Sunday Mass

10.30 am

Webcam Masses

All Masses will be streamed by Church Services TV https:// www.churchservices.tv/ stmalachysbelfast

> Last weeks Collection Offertory £887.99 Second Collection Sick & Retired Priests £429.82

Thank you!

A Little Quote

'As you wait for better days, don't forget to enjoy today, in case they've already started.'

~Robert Brault, rbrault.blogspot.com

DOWN & CONNOR LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2025 40th Annual Pilgrimage

5 Nights (10-15 July) Hotel - £859 5 Nights (10-15 July) Accueil Notre Dame (for Pilgrims requiring care) - £729 7 Nights (9-16 July) Hotel - £972 Youth Team (9-16 July) - £760



Prices are per person sharing, additional charges may apply This Tour is operated by North Star Travel Ltd T/A Joe Walsh Tours ATOL Protected 11313

For more information or to request a booking form contact lourdes@downandconnor.org (028) 9077 0162 downandconnor.org/lourdes

Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025: Celebrating the Jubilee Year and our 40th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage: 9/10 – 15th/16th July. 5 & 7 Night options available.

Please visit <u>www.downandconnor.org/lourdes</u> for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077 0162 or

email lourdes@downandconnor.org Youth Team (9-16th July): applications now open (see website for details)

Thanks to all who contributed to the February Foodbank. A total of £664 was collected and Tesco orders placed for short supply items such as LL milk, LL juice, tinned tuna, tinned tomatoes, tins of stew & casserole. Our next Foodbank collection will be next weekend 1st & 2nd March.

Many thanks for your generosity!!!

NI CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES. Sat 10 May to Thurs <u>15 May 2025</u>

The price of £859 (with price reduction for Cancer Patients) includes: Return flights from Belfast International Airport, operated by Northern Star Travel Ltd and facilitated by Joe Walsh Tours. Full board and accommodation at the Hotel Agena in Lourdes for five nights based on twin/double/triple rooms.

The party will consist of patients, ex-patients, relatives and friends accompanied by medical, nursing and other staff. To enquire or to obtain a booking form please contact:- Mrs Jean Clarke, Hon. Secretary, NI Cancer Pilgrimage, 67 Ballynahinch Road, Carryduff, Belfast, BT8 8DL, or speak to us on Tel. <u>078746 88388</u>, or e-mail at: - <u>mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk</u>

"Hope" – A Retreat for Those Discerning the Priesthood

Are you considering the call to the priesthood? Join us for a Vocation to the Priesthood Retreat from 7th–9th March at Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne. This year's theme, "Priests as Men of Hope," invites us to reflect on the joy and strength that come from trusting in God's plan.

To book a place or for more information, contact the Vocations Director: Fr Conor McGrath at <u>c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org</u>.

Let us all continue to pray for vocations in our diocese:

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father,

You are the source of all hope and the giver of every good gift.

Raise up men with hearts open to your call, ready to serve your Church as priests, bringing hope, healing, and the light of Christ to the world.

Give them courage to say "yes" to your will, and bless our diocese with holy and faithful shepherds.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pope Francis has invited Bishops around the world to establish a special day of prayer in the Church year to support the journey of human and spiritual recovery. This day is not only for victims and survivors who have been so severely injured, either inside or outside our Church, but also for the families and communities affected by grief for their loved ones.

Within Down and Connor, mass will be celebrated on FRIDAY 7th March 2025 in Saint Patrick's Church, Donegall Street, Belfast at 1:00 pm to pray for and remember victims and survivors of abuse within our Church.

At this mass the Candle of Atonement will be lit. You are invited to attend this important Diocesan event.



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HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS

Please join us before the Blessed Sacrament, **every Tuesday from 11.45-12.45**, in St Mary's Church, Chapel Lane, Belfast, in a dedicated hour of prayer for priests.

Come along and join St Marys Prolife Prayergroup Belfast in Faith and Friendship. Last Wednesday of every month at 7.00 pm. Enter via back entrance Marquis Street.





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ADOPTIVE PARENTS NEEDED URGENTLY

Family Care Adoption Services is an Adoption Agency, and a core part of our work is to place children with new adoptive families. We provide adoption services throughout all Northern Ireland and work with Health and Social Care Trusts to place single children and sibling groups for adoption.

These children are aged from babyhood to approximately 5 years old.

There are currently more children waiting to be adopted in Northern Ireland than families approved to adopt and there is an urgent need for new families to come forward.

All sorts of people from all walks of life can be considered for adoption.

So, wherever you live in Northern Ireland if you think you could offer a child/ren a new life in a family of their own and would like an informal chat to discuss this and to find out more about adoption,

CONTACT US! Email: email@familycareadoption.org Phone: 02890 691133

Website: www.familycareadoption.com

We are waiting to hear from you!

USEFUL INFORMATION

WEDDINGS

By appointment – 3 months is required

FUNERALS

By arrangement

PRIEST IN RESIDENCE – contact details

Chaplain to the Polish Community in Greater Belfast

Tel: 07587 101 979

Email: schr.belfast@gmail.com

www.belfastparafia.co.uk

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Saint Malachy's Primary School Eliza Street, Belfast, BT7 2BJ

Tel: 028 9032 7460

Principle: Mr Dermot Flynn (Snr.) Nursery Unit: **028 9023 5968** PRE-SCHOOL

Saint Malachy's Pre-school Playgroup 11 River Terrace, Belfast, BT7 2EN Tel: **028 9543 0203**

YOUTH CENTRES

St. John Vianney Youth Centre Tel: 028 9024 7118

St. Malachy's Youth Centre Tel: 028 9027 8615 Youth Leader: Eddie Burns

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL Tel: **028 9035 1561**







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