



St Malachy
3rd November

Prayer to Saint Malachy

Lord God,
You counted Saint Malachy
among Your holy pastors,
renowned for faith and love
which conquered evil in this world.

By the help of his prayers
keep us strong in faith and love
and let us come to share his glory.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

For those Parishioners who wish to talk or consult. I will always be available a half hour before and after Mass in any of our Churches.

In the case of an emergency clergy can be contacted at the following numbers:

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Parish Office is open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 10am until 2pm to arrange for Baptisms, Certificates, Anniversaries and all other Bookings.

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Parish Bulletin

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 3rd November 2024

It's a rare thing when a Saint's feast day replaces the normal Sunday Mass prayers and readings and yet this weekend it happens with the Feast of St Malachy – Patron Saint of our own Diocese and a native son of our Diocese too. Born in Armagh city in 1094 he grew in a very different world where chieftains ruled, and clan membership dictated life. But from the start Malachy was devoted to God and joined early the great Monastery of St Peter and Paul in Armagh, giving over his life to prayer and solitude at times and to care of the sick and needy and bringing them the teachings of Christ in his travels. Brains were a generous gift to him and with his holy ways he was marked out as future Archbishop, taking on the role in 1132. He lived in a time of great reform in the Church and Malachy dedicated himself to bringing the Irish Church into full communion with Rome, and yet he never forgot his people, wandering the length of the country to be with them, to teach them of Christ and to help ease their struggles and difficulties in life. In 1137 he set off for Rome to ask for the pallium – the sign of an archbishop given only by the Pope and was told it would come with order and reform. So, Malachy gave himself over to establishing the Church more or less as it stands today before returning to Rome in 1148 to receive the pallium from Pope Eugene III (obviously a great chap). Sadly, enroute he took ill visiting St Bernard at the famous Abbey of Clairvaux and died on November 2nd that year. On his death bed he said gentle words, but a few that resonate for all Christians: "I have believed in God and all things are possible to the man who believes. I have loved God; I have loved you and love will never fail". In remembering St Malachy, we might ask what relevance he has to us, but his feast like every feast of every Saint is a reminder of the continuing goodness of God in life. God constantly sends people with a special holiness who by word and example give us a glimpse of the true purpose and meaning of life – to love and serve and through that to bring change for the good. People who by their ways give us a tiny glimpse of the goodness of God and the bliss of heaven that is enough to make us want to be better and live that better life one day. As we pray to St Malachy this weekend remember his life – remember he faced difficulties like you but never gave up, he held hope like you and always tried to make that hope come to life, he faced failures and defeats and lived on, he trusted God, he loved, he cared and he changed his world. You can too. In the darkest of moments ask the Saints for help and help they will. In the glorious moments give thanks to God for the blessings He has showered on you. If the choice faces you whether to love or hate, to help or abandon, to care or to forget, remember those words of St Malachy – I have loved God, I have loved you, and love will never fail. It is the only thing that brings positive change, it is the true essence of God, it is the way we're asked to live like all those great Saints before us and in truth it's the best and easiest way to live every day.

With best wishes for the week – Fr O'Neill

ROSARY: at Our Lady's Grotto every evening at 8.00pm.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Wednesday - 3 pm & Friday - 10.30am.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms normally take place on Saturdays at 4.00pm in Holy Family Church and after 11am Mass on Sundays in St Mary's. The next available dates for Baptisms are Saturday 9th & 23rd November in Holy Family Church, Coalisland and Sunday 10th November in St Mary's Church, Stewartstown. To book please email the parish office at: coalislandparish@yahoo.co.uk or telephone the Parish Office on Tuesday/Wednesday mornings.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, COALISLAND

WEEKEND MASS: Vigil Mass - 6.00pm; Sunday Mass - 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASS: Friday - 10.00am

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Saturday 2nd November - 6.00pm - Brendan Barrett

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS: Wednesday 6th November - 7.30pm

NA FIANNA GFC DECEASED MEMBERS: Saturday 9th November - 6.00pm

ST MARY & ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, BRACKAVILLE

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Monday evenings at 7.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday - 10.00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Wednesday - 10.30am - 6.30pm

MONTH'S MIND: Monday 4th November - 7.30pm - Paddy Scullion

MONTH'S MIND: Tuesday 5th November - 7.30pm - Anne Conway

ROSARY: Tuesday & Thursday: 9.30am, Wednesday - 6.00pm

CONFESSIONS: on request after weekday Mass or before Wednesday rosary.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, STEWARTSTOWN

WEEKEND MASS: Sunday - 11.00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Monday 10.00am - 6.00pm **(note time change)**

MONTH'S MIND: Sunday 3rd November - 11.00am - Maria Canavan

CLEANING FOR NOVEMBER: Ann Campbell

SUNDAY READER: 10TH NOVEMBER: Eileen Devlin

"When you give to others, you not only give them food or material things, but you also give them hope and a reason to believe in a better future".

St. Martin de Porres - 5th November

COLLECTION: Sunday 27th October: £4093.00

Many thanks for your generosity. If anyone would like to make a donation by cheque please make cheques payable to "Coalisland Catholic Church". For those who would like to set up a Standing Order, forms can be downloaded from the Parish website.

LATELY DECEASED: Please pray for those who have died recently: Paddy Scullion; Maria Canavan; Josie Lynch; Anne Conway; Aloysius Cummings; Owen O'Neill; Anne McGirr; Baby Damhnait Gervin; David McGrath; Francis Rush; James Toner; Patrick Mongan; Paddy McQuaid; Margaret McAteer; Brian Hamill; Glenda Quinn; Very Rev John Bradley, PE; Maureen Quinn

WEDDINGS 2025: All couples who plan to marry in **2025** are asked to contact the Parish Office **by email** at coalislandparish@yahoo.co.uk to arrange for the completion of all necessary Church and State paperwork. Meetings to complete paperwork will take place on Monday evenings at 5pm / 5.45pm and should last no more than 30 minutes. **The completion of the necessary paperwork is a legal requirement and without completion the wedding cannot take place.** The requirements are:

- 1) Arrange for your Pre- Marriage Course – see accord.ni for details
- 2) Contact your local Council Offices for Notification of Marriage Forms
- 3) Complete Pre-Nuptial Enquiry forms with the Priest of the Parish you live in.

If anyone you know is hoping to marry in 2025 please bring this to their notice. Many thanks.

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS: will be celebrated on **Wednesday 6th November** at 7.30pm in Holy Family Church. This Mass is offered in particular remembrance for all those who have died in the Parish since 1st November 2023 and all bereaved families are invited and welcome.

NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS: are available in the Church Porches and can be returned to the Churches at any time where they will remain before the Altar to be included in our daily prayers during November. All those whose names are recorded on the Dead List will be prayed for in a Novena of Masses which began on 29th October and will conclude with the Remembrance Mass on 6th November, the Feast of all Saints of Ireland.

REMEMBRANCE BOARD: has been erected in Holy Family Church bearing the names of all those who have died in the Parish since 1st November 2023. Families are invited to place a memorial card or image of their departed loved ones on this board as we all keep them in our prayers during the coming month.

NA FIANNA GFC DECEASED MEMBERS MASS: Saturday 9th November - 6.00pm

BRACKAVILLE OWEN ROES GFC DECEASED MEMBERS MASS: Monday 11th November - 7.30pm

COALISLAND FIANNA: presents The Masked Singer in Coalisland Parochial Centre on Saturday 2nd November. Tickets available in Boyz2Men Barber or via the club app.

PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION: Mass for deceased members will be celebrated on **Monday 25th November** at 7.30pm in St Mary & St Joseph's Church, Brackaville. Following Mass Diamond, Gold and Silver pins will be awarded to those who have requested them. To be included on this list please leave your name and contact details with the any Pioneer Council member or to the sacristy at any time in the coming week.

ANAM CARA ARMAGH: next meeting 7 November 2024 online at 7pm. Our guest speaker will be **Diane Clabby** who is an accredited Trauma Informed Psychotherapist with an Honours Degree in Integrative Counselling and Psychotherapy. She also holds a Diploma in Trauma Informed Psychotherapy, a Level 7 QQI Certificate in Suicide Postvention. Diane has a special interest in working with trauma, loss and bereavement, suicide prevention, intervention and postvention

PARISH CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS: are now available from the Church sacristies. All donations go towards the Sick and Retired Priests Fund in the Diocese and all Christmas Masses will be offered for the intentions requested.

DATES FOR 2025:

First Holy Communion: St Mary's PS, Stewartstown - Saturday 10th May - 11.00am

First Holy Communion: Primate Dixon PS - Saturday 17th May - 11.00am

Blessing of the Graves: St Mary & St Joseph's Cemetery: Friday 13th June - 7.00pm

Blessing of the Graves: St Mary's Cemetery: Sunday 15th June - after 11.00am Mass