

Lenten Talks 2020

2nd March

"God of this new year, we are walking into mystery" with Bishop Michael Router, former priest of the diocese of Kilmore and now Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Armagh

9th March

"We face a future not knowing what the days and months will bring to us or how we will respond" with Fr Ryan McAleer, a priest of the Archdiocese of Armagh & currently Diocesan Adviser in Religious Education to Primary Schools

16th March

"Be love in us as we journey" with Fr Noel Kehoe a Redemptorist priest, former Rector of Clonard Monastery and now Rector of St Joseph's Parish, Dundalk

23rd March

"Deepen our faith to see all things through your eyes" with Fr Adrian Eastwood, a Vincentian Priest and Chaplain in Musgrave Park Hospital, Belfast.

30th March

"Fill us with hope and trust that you are in the midst of all that happens" with Fr Pat Kelly, a Priest of the Society of African Missions. He has served in Ireland and Africa and has worked for many years in establishing the SMA International Development Office.

6th April

"God of this new year, we praise you for giving us life and opportunities" with Deacon John Taaffe a Permanent Deacon in St Peter's Parish, Drogheda. He's also involved in a mission and outreach programme in the Archdiocese.

**Join us in St. Malachy's Church
each Monday of Lent at 7:30pm**

Novena Mass continues as normal

Prayer

God our Father, your people in the Archdiocese of Armagh wish to reflect on how best to meet the pastoral needs of your Church in this place and time and to search for ways to respond adequately to those needs. We pray to better understand our calling as your people. Help us to be eager and courageous witnesses to the Joy of the Gospel by the lives we live and the service we give. As we pray, may we become ever more aware of your Spirit as our guide, comforter and inspiration so that our future plans and actions truly lead to everyone coming to know the joy of a personal encounter with you.

May we follow the example of your Son, Jesus, and place in you our trust. May we listen to your voice, may we come to know your will. And then, when we are renewed and refreshed by this time of quiet discernment under your loving gaze, send us to work towards building your kingdom.

We join our prayer to those who by their compassionate love, teaching and witness have shared the gift of faith with us and we ask the Saints of Armagh to walk with us and help light the path as we continue our pilgrim journey.

St Patrick, St Brigid, St Malachy, St Oliver Plunkett pray for us.

Naomh Mhuire, Mathair De, Gui Orainn

Amen.