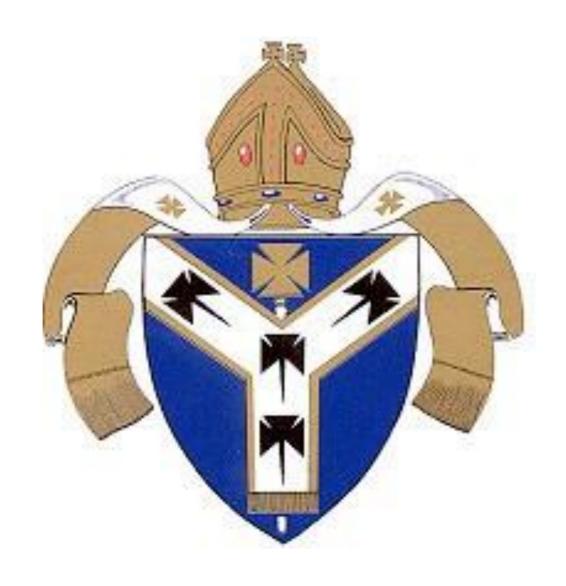
Diocese of Armagh



Diocesan Cycle of Prayer 2025

(incorporating Anglican Cycle of Prayer)

5th JANUARY — SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

(6th January – The Epiphany)

Archbishop John Mc Dowell

Saint Patrick's Cathedral

Dean: Shane Forster

Cathedral Reader: Florence Hoey

Cathedral Chapter and Staff of the Cathedral

The Diocese

Youth ministry: Armagh Youth & Children's Board; Development Officer, David Brown

The Anglican Communion

The Church in Wales

12th JANUARY — FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (The Baptism of our Lord)

Archbishop John McDowell

Acton, Drumbanagher and Loughgilly

Rector: Vacant

Parish Reader: Kenneth Morton

The Diocese

Sunday Schools, teachers & superintendents

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of West Africa

19th JANUARY — SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

(25th January - Conversion of Saint Paul)

Archbishop John McDowell

Annaghmore

Rector: Dorothy Dunwoody Diocesan Reader: David Parker

The Diocese

Young people's uniformed organizations

The Anglican Communion

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
The Church in the Province of the West Indies

26th JANUARY — THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

(1st Feb – Saint Brigid)

Archbishop John McDowell

Ardtrea and Desertcreat

Rector: David Bell

The Diocese

Church House Staff: Jane Leighton; Jennifer Kirkland; Pamela Hutton

The Anglican Communion

The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

2nd February — FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Archbishop John McDowell

Armagh, St Mark's

Rector: Malcolm Kingston,

Curate: Sarah Parkinson

Diocesan Reader: Bob Brown

Parish Readers: Adele Geddis, Barbara Wilson

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Mission & Outreach

Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory and the Bishop Adrian Wilkinson

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

9th FEBRUARY — FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Ballinderry, Tamlaght and Ardboe

Rector: Vacant

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Religious Education

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Australia

16th FEBRUARY – THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Ballymore & Clare

Rector: Colin Darling

Diocesan Reader: Tom Gorringe

Parish Readers: Walter Evans, Graham Patterson

The Diocese

Diocesan Committees: Finance; Glebes & Property

The Anglican Communion

The Church of Bangladesh

23rd FEBRUARY — SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Brackaville, Donaghendry and Ballyclog

Rector: Matthew Hagan

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Ministry; Director of Ordinands, Revd Colin Darling; Warden of Readers, Revd Gary McMurray

The Anglican Communion

Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

2nd MARCH – THE SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Camlough, Mullaglass and Ballymoyer Union

Rector: Alan Synnott OLM: David Hawthorne

Diocesan Readers: Jill Hunter,

Parish Readers: Anne Synnott, Mervyn Briggs

The Diocese

Diocesan Council; Diocesan Board of Education

Diocese of Clogher and Bishop Ian Ellis

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Burundi

5th MARCH — ASH WEDNESDAY

Prayer for Ash Wednesday

ACCEPT our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and our indifference to injustice and cruelty.

Almighty and Everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

9th MARCH — FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Carnteel and Crilly

Rector: Glenn West

Parish Reader: Gary Lee, Roberta Driver

The Diocese

Clergy with Diocesan Responsibilities: Archdeacons & Rural Deans; all who serve on Boards of Nomination

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Canada

16th MARCH — SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

(17th March – St Patrick) (19th March - St Joseph of Nazareth)

Archbishop John McDowell

Clogherny, Drumnakilly and Seskinore

Rector: Vacant

Diocesan Reader: Sarah Cathers Parish Reader: Hazel Giboney

The Diocese

All who serve on Select Vestries, and who work for the parish and community

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of Central Africa

23rd MARCH — THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

(25th March - The Annunciation of our Lord)

Archbishop John McDowell

Clonfeacle, Derrygortreavy and Eglish

Rector: Vacant

Parish Readers: Molly Batchelor, Alistair Mather, Emma Chambers, Margaret Knipe,

Lisa Smith

The Diocese

Safeguarding: Diocesan Panel; Parish Panels; Safeguarding Officer, Derek Scott

The Anglican Communion

Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

30th MARCH — FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Derryloran

Rector: Norman Porteus

Parish Readers: Canon Wilfred Young, Raymond Bradford, Ron Griffin, Edmund Slaine

The Anglican Communion

Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

6th APRIL — FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Desertlyn and Ballyeglish

Rector: Adrian Stringer

Diocesan Readers: David Carleton

The Diocese

Youth ministry: Armagh Youth & Children's Board; Development Officer, David Brown

The Anglican Communion

Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

13th APRIL — SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT – PALM SUNDAY

Archbishop John McDowell

Donaghmore, Donaghmore Upper and Pomeroy (Crossdernott)

Rector: Peter Thompson (Archdeacon of Armagh)

OLMs: Rhonda Dempsey, Jackie Carson

Diocesan Reader: James Shiels

Parish Readers: Glen Ferry, Keith Moore, Noelle Moore

The Diocese

Sunday Schools, teachers & superintendents

Diocese of Connor and Bishop George Davison

The Anglican Communion

The Church of England

17th APRIL — MAUNDY THURSDAY

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound; when Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Anglican Communion

The Diocese of Mbale – The Church of the Province of Uganda

18th APRIL — GOOD FRIDAY

For me, kind Jesus, was thy incarnation, thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation; Thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion, for my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee, I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee, think on thy pity and thy love unswerving, not my deserving. (J Heerman)

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly serve the through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Anglican Communion

The Diocese of North Mbale – The Church of the Province of Uganda

20th APRIL —EASTER DAY - THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

A prayer for that Easter Hope

We worship you, our living, conquering Lord, because by your death you have broken the power of death and by your glorious resurrection you have brought life and immortality to light. As those who partake of your victory we pray that we may continually rejoice in this hope, and live on earth as those whose citizenship is in heaven, where you reign in the glory of the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen

Archbishop John McDowell

The Anglican Communion

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6). Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

27th APRIL — SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

(28th April - Saint Mark the Evangelist (transferred)) (1st May – Saint Philip and Saint James, Apostles)

Archbishop John McDowell

Drogheda Union; Ardee Union and Kilsaran Union

Rector: Brian O'Reilly NSM: Joyce Moore OLM: David Murphy

Diocesan Reader: Lord Bellew Parish Reader: Victor Whyte

The Diocese

Young people's uniformed organizations

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

4th MAY — THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Archbishop John McDowell

Drumcree

Rector: Gary Galway

Diocesan Readers: Shirley Nelson, Edwin McCambley, Valerie Newell,

General Synod, meeting in Naas on 9th & 10th May

The Diocese

Chaplains in hospitals, hospices and prisons

The Anglican Communion

The Church of Ireland

11th MAY — FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(14th May — St Matthias)

Archbishop John McDowell

Drumglass

Rector: Vacant

Curate: Matthew Topley

Diocesan Reader: Roy Palmer

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Religious Education

The Anglican Communion

The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

18th MAY — FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Archbishop John McDowell

Dundalk; Heynestown Union; Ballymascanlon Union; Creggan and Rathcor

Rector: Vacant

NSM: Richard Moore OLM: Rita Arthur

Diocese of Cork, Cloyne and Ross and Bishop Paul Colton

The Anglican Communion

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

25th MAY – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: ROGATION SUNDAY

(31st May – The Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary)

Archbishop John McDowell

Errigle Keerogue, Ballygawley and Killeshill

Rector: Vacant

Parish Reader: Stephen McKeown

The Diocese

Diocesan Committees: Finance; Glebes & Property

The Anglican Communion

Anglican Communion Sunday
The Anglican Church of Kenya

29th MAY — ASCENSION DAY

A hymn of glory let us sing new songs throughout the world shall ring Christ, by a road before untrod ascendeth to the throne of God. Alleluia

The Anglican Communion

Thy Kingdon Come.

The Diocese of Mount Kenya Central – The Anglican Church of Kenya

1st JUNE – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

Archbishop John McDowell

Keady, Armaghbreague, Derrynoose and Newtownhamilton

Rector: David Moses

Diocesan Reader: Wayne Hawthorne

The Diocese

Diocesan Council; Diocesan Board of Education

The Anglican Communion

Thy Kingdom Come

The Anglican Church of Korea

8th JUNE — THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHIT SUNDAY

(9th June – Saint Columba) (11th June – Saint Barnabas)

Archbishop John McDowell

Kildress and Altedesert

Rector: Vacant

Parish Readers: Michelle McCaughey, Elaine Thom

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Mission & Outreach

Diocese of Derry and Raphoe and Bishop Andrew Forster

The Anglican Communion

Thy Kingdom Come

The Anglican Church of Melanesia

15th JUNE —TRINITY SUNDAY

Archbishop John McDowell

Killylea, Caledon and Brantry

Rector: Bill Atkins

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Ministry; Director of Ordinands, Revd Colin Darling; Warden of Readers, Revd Gary McMurray

The Anglican Communion

La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

22nd JUNE — FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(24th June - Birth of John the Baptist)

Archbishop John McDowell

Killyman

Rector: John Ewart

The Diocese

Diocesan Communications Officer, Jonathan Hull; Diocesan Architect, Stephen Leighton; Diocesan Registrar, Dean Shane Forster

The Anglican Communion

Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

29th JUNE — SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(29th June – Saint Peter) (3rd July - Saint Thomas)

Archbishop John McDowell

Kilmore and Dobbin

Rector: Carlton Baxter

Diocesan Reader: Martin Clayton

Parish Readers: John Crealey, Emma Marshall, Sheelagh Winter, John Matchett

The Diocese

Summer Madness;

Youth ministry: Armagh Youth & Children's Board; Development Officer, David Brown.

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of Myanmar Burma)

6th JULY — THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Archbishop John McDowell

Lisnadill and Kildarton

Priest in Charge: David McComb Parish Reader: Jennifer Pillow

The Diocese

Clergy; Clergy spouses & families

The Anglican Communion

The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

13th JULY — FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Archbishop John McDowell

Lissan

Rector: vacant

Diocese of Down and Dromore and Bishop David McClay

Please pray for Armagh/Gitega CMSI Partnership (Church of Burundi); Bishop Aimé Joseph Kimararungu

The Anglican Communion

The Church of North India (United)

20th JULY — FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(22nd July – Saint Mary Magdalene) (25th July - Saint James the Apostle)

Archbishop John McDowell

Loughgall and Grange

Rector: Revd Pete Smith

The Diocese

Church House Staff: Jane Leighton; Jennifer Kirkland; Pamela Hutton

The Anglican Communion

The Church of Pakistan (United)

27th JULY — SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Archbishop John McDowell

Magherafelt

Rector: Andrew Campbell

The Diocese

Clergy with Diocesan Responsibilities: Archdeacons & Rural Deans; all who serve on Boards of Nomination

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea

3rd AUGUST — SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(6th August - The Transfiguration of our Lord)

Archbishop John McDowell

Milltown

Rector: Geoffrey Walmsley

Parish Readers: Stewart Brennan, Christine Walmsley, Sam Strain

The Diocese

Retired clergy; clergy widows and widowers

The Anglican Communion

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

10th AUGUST — EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTERTRINITY

Archbishop John McDowell

Moy and Charlemont

Rector: Iain Jamieson

Diocesan Reader: Shirley McKay

Diocese of Dublin and Glendalough and Archbishop Michael Jackson

The Diocese

Youth and children's ministry: Summer Programmes

The Anglican Communion

Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

17th AUGUST — NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Archbishop John McDowell

Mullabrack, Markethill and Kilcluney

Rector: Peter Munce

Diocesan Reader: Sonya Barnes Parish Reader: Jonathan Hull

The Diocese

Diocesan Committees: Finance; Glebes & Property

The Anglican Communion

The Scottish Episcopal Church

24th AUGUST — TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(24th August – Saint Bartholomew)

Archbishop John McDowell

Mullavilly

Rector: Elizabeth Cairns (Archdeacon of Ardboe)

Parish Readers: Caroline Whitten

Mission Societies, at home and overseas

The Anglican Communion

Church of the Province of South East Asia

31st AUGUST — ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Archbishop John McDowell

The Diocese

Diocesan Council; Diocesan Board of Education

The Anglican Communion

The Church of South India (United)

7th SEPTEMBER — TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(8th September – Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Archbishop John McDowell

Saint Columba's, Portadown

Rector: Bill Adair

Diocesan Reader: Tom Stevenson

Parish Reader: John Hayes

Diocese of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh and Bishop Ferran Glenfield

The Diocese

All who serve on Select Vestries, and who work for the parish and community

The Anglican Communion

Season of Creation.

The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

14th SEPTEMBER — THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Archbishop John McDowell

Saint Mark's, Portadown

Rector: William Orr

Parish Readers: Michael Livingstone, Samuel Douglas, Harry Simpson

The Diocese

Sunday Schools, teachers & superintendents

The Anglican Communion

Season of Creation.

The Anglican Church of South America

21st SEPTEMBER — FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(21st September – Saint Matthew)

Archbishop John McDowell

Richhill

Rector: Gary McMurray

Diocesan Readers: Danielle Turton, Paul Turton, Parish Readers: Mary Caldwell, Jonny Howe

The Diocese

Young people's uniformed organizations

The Anglican Communion

Season of Creation.

Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

28th SEPTEMBER — FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(29th September – Saint Michael and All Angels)

Archbishop John McDowell

Sixmilecross and Termonmaguirke

Rector: Alan Barr

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Mission & Outreach

The Anglican Communion

Season of Creation.

Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

5th OCTOBER — SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(11th October - Saint Philip the Deacon)

Archbishop John McDowell

Tartaraghan and Diamond

Rector: David Hilliard

Parish Readers: Eleanor Trouton, Richard Robinson, Samuel Neill

Diocese of Tuam, Limerick, & Killaloe & Bishop Michael Burrows

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Religious Education

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Tanzania

12th OCTOBER - SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(18th October – Saint Luke)

Archbishop John McDowell

Tullanisken and Clonoe

Rector: Vacant

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Ministry; Director of Ordinands, Revd Colin Darling; Warden of Readers, Revd Gary McMurray

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of Uganda

19th OCTOBER - EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTERTRINITY

(23rd October – St James, the Brother of our Lord)

Archbishop John McDowell

Tynan, Aghavilly and Middletown

Rector: Derek Kerr

Diocesan Reader: Maureen Reddick

Parish Reader: Sarah Dodds

The Diocese

Armagh Diocesan Synod

The Anglican Communion

The Episcopal Church

26th OCTOBER — FIFTH SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

(28th October – Saint Simon and Saint Jude) (1st November – All Saints' Day)

Archbishop John McDowell

Woodschapel and Gracefield

Rector: Vacant

Parish Reader: Izette Hunter

The Diocese

Youth ministry: Armagh Youth & Children's Board; Development Officer, David Brown

The Anglican Communion

The Church in Wales

2nd NOVEMBER — FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

Archbishop John McDowell

The Diocese

Hospice Sunday; Chaplains in hospitals, hospices and prisons

Diocese of Meath and Kildare and Bishop Pat Storey

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of West Africa

9th NOVEMBER — THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Archbishop John McDowell

The Anglican Communion

The Church in the Province of the West Indies

16th NOVEMBER — SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

Archbishop John McDowell

The Diocese

Diocesan Committees: Finance; Glebes & Property

The Anglican Communion

The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

23rd NOVEMBER — SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT: THE KINGSHIP OF CHRIST

Archbishop John McDowell

The Diocese

Safeguarding: Diocesan Panel; Parish Panels; Safeguarding Officer, Derek Scott

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

30th NOVEMBER — FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

(1st December – Saint Andrew (transferred))

Archbishop John McDowell

The Diocese

Diocesan Council; Diocesan Board of Education

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Australia

7th DECEMBER — SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Archbishop John McDowell

The Diocese

Diocesan Communications Officer, Jonathan Hull; Diocesan Architect, Stephen Leighton; Diocesan Registrar, Dean Shane Forster

The Anglican Communion

The Church of Bangladesh

14th DECEMBER — THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Young people's uniformed organizations; Mission Societies, at home and overseas

The Anglican Communion

Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

21st DECEMBER — FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Archbishop John McDowell

The Diocese

Sunday Schools, teachers & superintendents

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Burundi

24th DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS EVE

Almighty God, you make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ; Grant that, as we joyfully receive him as our redeemer, we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come to be our judge; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The Anglican Communion

The Diocese of São Paulo – Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

25th DECEMBER — CHRISTMAS DAY - THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

(26th December - Saint Stephen)

(27th December – Saint John the Evangelist)

Eternal God, in the stillness of this night you sent your almighty Word to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation: Give to the earth the peace that we long for and fill our hearts with the joy of heaven through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin; Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Anglican Communion

The Diocese of Sapele – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

28th DECEMBER - FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

(28th December – The Holy Innocents) (1st January - THE NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS)

Archbishop John McDowell

The Diocese

Clergy, clergy spouses & families; retired clergy; clergy widows & widowers

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Canada