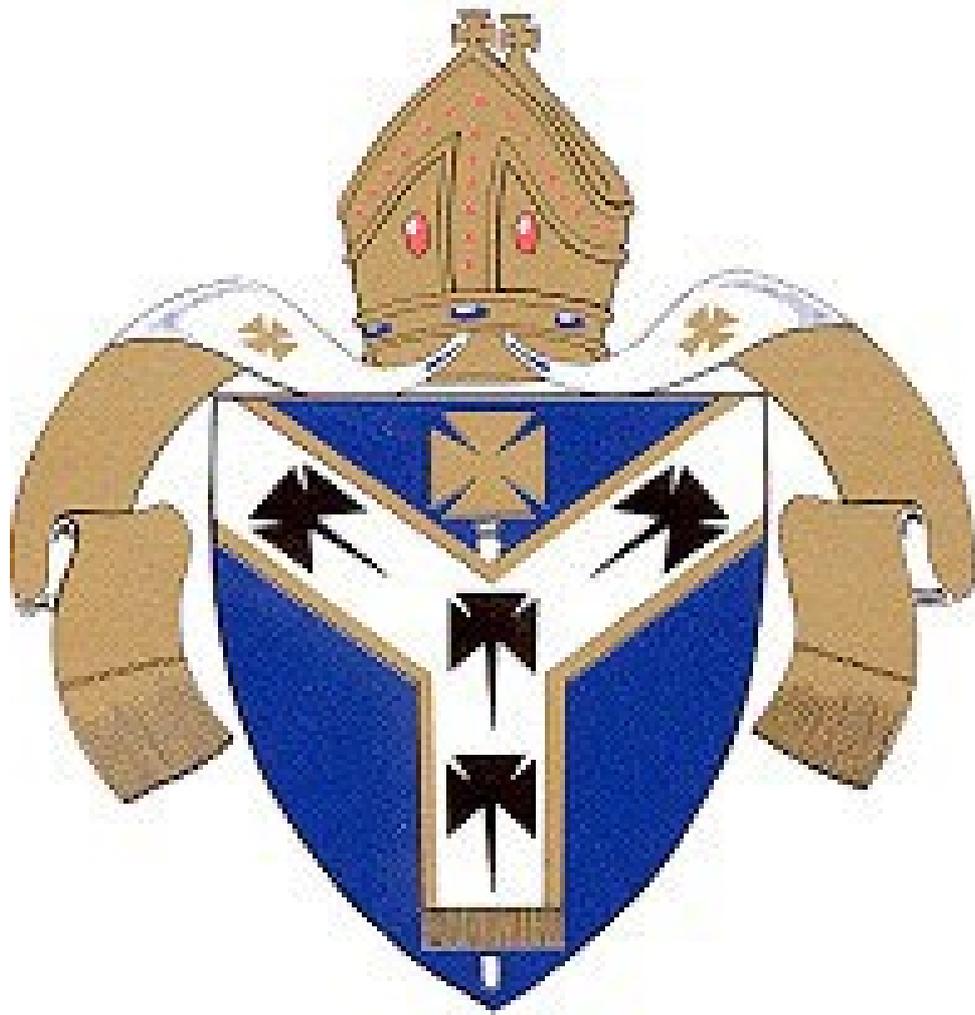


Diocese of Armagh



Diocesan Cycle of Prayer 2026

(incorporating Anglican Cycle of Prayer)

4th 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 of the Province of Central Africa

11th 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

Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

18th JANUARY — SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Archbishop John McDowell

Annaghmore

Rector: Dorothy Dunwoody

Diocesan Reader: David Parker

The Diocese

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Young people's uniformed organizations

The Anglican Communion

Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

25th JANUARY — THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

(25th January - Conversion of Saint Paul)

Archbishop John McDowell

Ardtrea and Desertcreat

Rector: David Bell

The Diocese

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

The Anglican Communion

Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

1st February — FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

(1st Feb – Saint Brigid)

(2nd Feb - Presentation of Christ in the Temple)

Archbishop John McDowell

Armagh, St Mark's

Rector: Malcolm Kingston,

Curate: Sarah Parkinson

Diocesan Reader: Bob Brown

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Mission & Outreach

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

The Anglican Communion

The Church of England

8th FEBRUARY — SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Ballinderry, Tamlaght and Ardboe

Rector: Vacant

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Religious Education

The Anglican Communion

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

15th FEBRUARY – SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Ballymore & Clare

Rector: Colin Darling

Parish Readers: Graham Patterson

The Diocese

Diocesan Committees: Finance; Glebes & Property

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

18th FEBRUARY — 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.

22nd FEBRUARY — FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Brackaville, Donaghendry and Ballyclog

Rector: Matthew Hagan

Parish Reader: Abbie Patterson

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Ministry; Director of Ordinands, Revd Colin Darling;

Warden of Readers, Revd Gary McMurray

The Anglican Communion

The Church of Ireland

1st MARCH – SECOND SUNDAY IN 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 Nippon Sei Ko Kai

8th MARCH — THIRD 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 Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

15th MARCH — FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

(17th March – St Patrick)

(19th March - St Joseph of Nazareth)

Archbishop John McDowell

Clogherny, Drumnakilly, Seskinore, Sixmilecross & Termonmaguirke

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 Anglican Church of Kenya

22nd MARCH — FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

(25th March - The Annunciation of our Lord)

Archbishop John McDowell

Clonfeacle, Derrygortreavy and Eglisk

Rector: Andy Moore

Parish Readers: Molly Batchelor, Emma Chambers, Margaret Knipe, Lisa Smith

The Diocese

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

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Korea

29th MARCH — SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT – PALM SUNDAY

Archbishop John McDowell

Derryloran

Rector: Matthew Topley

Parish Readers: Raymond Bradford, Ron Griffin, Edmund Slaine

The Anglican Communion

The Anglican Church of Melanesia _____

2nd 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 Virgin Islands – The Episcopal Church

3rd 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 thee through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Anglican Communion

The Diocese of Virginia – The Episcopal Church

5th APRIL — EASTER DAY - THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EASTER

Archbishop John McDowell

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

The Anglican Communion

La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6)

12th APRIL — SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Archbishop John McDowell

Desertlyn, Ballyeglish and Lissan

Rector: Vacant

Diocesan Readers: David Carleton

The Diocese

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

Diocese of Connor and Bishop George Davison

The Anglican Communion

Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

19th APRIL — THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

(25th April - Saint Mark the Evangelist)

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: Elizabeth Burrows, Glen Ferry, Keith Moore, Noelle Moore,
Kathryn Potter

The Diocese

Sunday Schools, teachers & superintendents

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

26th APRIL — FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(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 Readers: Patrick Riedy, Victor Whyte

The Diocese

Young people's uniformed organizations

The Anglican Communion

The Church of Nigeria

3rd MAY — FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Archbishop John McDowell

Drumcree

Rector: Gary Galway

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

General Synod,

meeting in Newcastle, Co Down on 7th, 8th & 9th May

The Anglican Communion

The Church of North India (United)

10th MAY — SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, ROGATION SUNDAY

(15th May — St Matthias (transferred))

Archbishop John McDowell

Drumglass

Rector: Mark Gallagher

The Diocese

Diocesan Board of Religious Education

The Anglican Communion

The Church of Pakistan (United)

14th 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 New York – The Episcopal Church

**17th MAY — SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:
SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY**

Archbishop John McDowell

Dundalk; Heynestown Union; Ballymascanlon Union; Creggan and Rathcor

Rector: Shirley Murphy

NSM: Richard Moore

OLM: Rita Arthur

The Diocese

Diocesan Committees: Finance; Glebes & Property

Diocese of Cork, Cloyne and Ross

The Anglican Communion

Thy Kingdom Come

The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea

24th MAY – THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHIT SUNDAY

Archbishop John McDowell

Errigle Keerogue, Ballygawley and Killeshill

Rector: Vacant

Parish Reader: Stephen McKeown

The Diocese

Chaplains in hospitals, hospices and prisons

The Anglican Communion

Anglican Communion Sunday

Thy Kingdom Come

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

31st MAY – TRINITY SUNDAY

(1st June – The Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary (transferred))

Archbishop John McDowell

Keady, Armaghbreague, Derrynoose and Newtownhamilton

Rector: David Moses

OLM: Wayne Hawthorne

The Diocese

Diocesan Council; Diocesan Board of Education

The Anglican Communion

Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

7th JUNE —FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(9th June – Saint Columba)

(11th June – Saint Barnabas)

Archbishop John McDowell

Kildress and Altedesert

Rector: Rodney Blair

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

The Scottish Episcopal Church

14th JUNE — SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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

Church of the Province of South East Asia

21st JUNE — THIRD 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

The Church of South India (United)

The Anglican Consultative Council meeting in Belfast from June 27th to July 5th.

28th JUNE — FOURTH 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 Anglican Church of Southern Africa
