



Diocesan Congress 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026







"We are all pilgrims and we are always pilgrims" Pope Leo XIV

## CONGRESS PRAYER

## God our Father

We your people, take time to be still and to bid ourselves to pray, listen and learn.

In the stillness of our searching, you remind us that all journeys of faith begin in your Word ... "Love one another as I have loved you".

And so, Father, through you, with you and in you, full of love and respect for each other and all you have created, we go forward renewed as pilgrims of hope.

With hearts full of hope and anticipation, we your people in the Archdiocese of Armagh pray for your blessing and guidance for our Congress on Youth, Family and Faith.

As we strive to meet the pastoral needs of the young in our faith community at this time and in this place, send your Holy Spirit to inspire and guide us.

May this Congress, empower our youth in their faith journeys, strengthen their families of origin and foster deeper encounters with your love and grace.

Through our prayer and dialogue, let us grow in understanding of our calling as your people and align our plans with your divine will.

May we be a Church of families living and working for justice, peace and love in the world.

We ask this through the intercession of the saints of Armagh, Patrick, Brigid, Malachy and Oliver and the protection of our blessed mother Mary.

We have God's work to do. So, rise, let us be on our way.

Amen