Collections: Week ending: 9th August 2015

€7,386 (4 weeks, from which taken Share €1,000)

Par. Envs: €608.50 (4 weeks)

Standing Orders: €1,400 (4 weeks Approx.)

Parish Pastoral Council

The process of

election/discernment for the Parish Pastoral Council took place on Wednesday 5th August. Those elected/discerned were Aisling McGann; Derbhil Johnson; Stephen Graham; Mary Sinnott & Joan Lavelle. We welcome them to the council and we thank all who participated in this process. We ask God's blessing on the work of the PPC in the coming year.

Newsletter

Hard copy of the weekly Newsletter is discontinued until the weekend of 5th/6th September. Listen carefully to Sunday Notices being read out, and keep your eye on the notice board and website.

SVP Clothing Appeal

The SVP is seeking our help with its annual clothing appeal. They will distribute bags on the weekend of 5th/6th September and the filled bags will be collected on the following weekend of 12th/13th September at the Vigil and Sunday morning Masses only. We ask those who normally attend the 4pm Mass to try and drop their bags down in the morning time if possible. The appeal is for clean, good-quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc. We ask you to respond as generously always

MOUNT ARGUS PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to be a living parish where

- All will feel welcome
- Everyone will be appreciated and encouraged to use their gifts
- People and priests work together to develop a community of faith and compassion.

St. Charles' Pilgrims

A group of 25 people from Gilbert, Arizona, USA will visit Ireland in September 2015. They will be accompanied by Fr Carlos Gomez from the Diocese of Phoenix. They want to include a visit to the Shrine of St. Charles as part of their trip and will celebrate Mass at 2.30pm on Wednesday 2nd September in Mount Argus Church. We extend them a very warm welcome.

Summer Schedule in Mount Argus

During the months of July and August, there will be no Confessions on Wednesdays and no 4pm blessing with the relic on Wednesdays. There will be Confessions on Thursdays and Fridays as usual. On Saturdays Confessions will begin at 9.30am

Care of Creation

Pope Francis has announced that the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation will now be honored every **1 September** by the Catholic Church as well as by the Orthodox Churches. We quote once again from *Laudato Si*:

"Once we start to think about the kind of world we are leaving to future generations, we look at things differently; we realize that the world is a gift which we have freely received and must share with others...the world we have received also belongs to those who will follow us." (No. 159)

Taking the long view, what's best for me right now

might not line up with what's best for all of us for centuries to come. If we see the planet as a gift — a gift we have received and a gift we will pass on — we can develop gratitude. And gratitude is the best tool for breaking down self-centeredness.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group will meet in the monastery on Tuesday 25th August from 7.30-8.30pm; and again on Thursday 27th August from 10.45am to 11.45am for those who may prefer not to come out at night. They are a listening ear for those who would like to talk to someone about their loss and the service is strictly confidential. You can just come along or contact Jean at 086 129 7593.

Kindly remember the recently deceased

Sean Hoey Patrick Ruane Michael Brady Thomas Dooley Mary Freir

May they rest in peace

World Youth Day 2016

WYD 2016 will take place in Krakow, Poland from July 25th – 31st next year. We have a good group of young people going, all of whom are actively involved in the parish, and we will begin preparations and fundraising soon. Thanks to Katie McDermott for the great time and effort she has put into this.

Fr. Frank Trias CP

Fr. Frank Trias CP, who was ordained a deacon in Mount Argus last December, and who will be ordained a Passionist priest in Glasgow next December, will be joining us in Mount Argus on 1st September and remain until summer 2016. Under the guidance of Fr. Frank Keevins it is hoped he will gain valuable pastoral experience and make a great contribution to the life of the parish. Fr. Frank Trias is a veteran of 4 World Youth Days and no doubt he will enjoy getting involved with group going to Krakow next summer from Mount Argus and be a good support to Katie. We look forward to welcoming him.

Folk Group

Folk Group will resume singing 5th September at the 6.15pm Vigil to begin their 40th year in Mount Argus.