Collections: Week ending: 31st August 2014

Collections: €1,802 Parish Envelopes: Standing Orders etc: €338 (Approx) Share: €250

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.

Kindly remember the recently deceased:

Monica O'Brien

May she rest in peace

PARISH ANNIVERSARY

On **next Sunday 14**th **September**, Feast of the Holy Cross, Archbishop Martin will celebrate the 11am Family Mass followed by a buffet in the monastery garden to which all are welcome. We hope as many of you as possible will turn out for this joyful event.

40TH ANNIVERSARY CHOIR

To prepare for the music for the Parish Anniversary Mass next Sunday, choir rehearsals will be held on Saturday 6th and Saturday 13th September in the Upper Room at 7:15pm. Members of the Parish Choir, Family Choir, Folk Group and Cantor Group are welcome to attend, including anyone who sang in Mount Argus at any point in the past. Younger children from the Family Choir do not need to attend the evening rehearsals.

PARISH WEBSITE

To mark the 40th Anniversary of the Parish we are relaunching a new look parish website this weekend – we hope you like it.

NORMALITY RESTORED

Mass and Service times have now returned to normal. The Meeting Rooms are back in action. The Parish Bulletin has returned.

SVP CLOTHING APPEAL

The SVP will distribute bags this weekend for their annual clothing appeal. The bags will be collected NEXT weekend 13th/14th September, at the Vigil and Morning Masses only. The appeal is for clean, good-quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc. We ask you to respond as generously as you can.

INFORMATION LEAFLET

Also to mark the 40th Anniversary of the Parish we will be launching next Sunday, 14th September, an information leaflet on our beautiful Mount Argus Church that will be of interest to parishioners, visitors, and to all for whom this church is a special place of prayer, worship and belonging. Rather than produce a booklet for the day that would soon be out of date we felt that something of lasting use and value was a more appropriate project.

PARISH ANNIVERSARY - PHOTOS

Thanks to those who handed in photos for the first phase of our parish anniversary celebrations on 17th August. The banners at the entrance to the church and the slide show at the coffee morning was a great success and we will run it again to give as many people as possible the opportunity to see it. We will announce details soon for those who gave photos to be able to collect them back.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The recent nomination process for people to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council resulted in only one new member and we are delighted to welcome Sheila Lynch on to the team. It is still possible for new members to be co-opted so if there is anyone who feels they have something to offer and is willing to serve then you can just approach Father Frank personally and have a chat about it.

May the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ be ever on our lips and in our hearts

ALTAR SERVERS

We would like to invite new altar servers. Acting as an altar server is open to any children, with the blessing and permission of their parents, who have made their 1st Holy Communion. Any interest is followed by a period of training and trying-out. Names and contact details can be given in at the monastery reception for Father Frank; or to either of those who look after the altar-servers - Lulu McGann and RoseMary Dwyer.

FINAL PROFESSION

Your prayers are asked for **Frank Trias** who will make his Final Profession as a Passionist next Sunday, 14th September, in St. Mungo's, Glasgow. Pray also for **Gareth Thomas** who will be ordained a Passionist priest in Merthyr Tydfil, South Wales on Saturday 18th October.

MEN'S CONFRATERNITY

The Men's Confraternity will meet next Tuesday 9th September in the Monastery. New members welcome.