

**Collections: Week ending:
21st February 2016**

*€1,698 (of which €250 to
Share)*

Par. Envs: €346.50 (2 weeks)

**Standing Orders: €330
(Approx.)**

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.*

**Please pray for those
recently deceased:**

**And for our own
deceased Loved Ones**

Rest in Peace

Monthly Coffee Morning

Our monthly coffee morning will take place in the Upper Room this **Sunday 28th February after the 11am Family Mass.** All are welcome.

Table Quiz Fundraiser for HX Festival

A fun table quiz takes place in McGarry's/Joshua Tree at 7:30pm on Thursday March 3rd. Tables of four €40 or €10 per person on the night & there is a raffle. Proceeds go to the Harold's Cross Community Festival & everybody gets a chance to have some fun with other local residents."

Advance Notice – Eucharistic Adoration

A bus will leave the gates of Mount Argus at 8am sharp to go to Knock on Sunday 24th April and will return at 9pm. It is the National Pilgrimage for Eucharistic Adoration. The fare will be €15 return which is bus fare only. There will be a 30 minute stop on the journey both ways. Please contact Joan at 087-7715392 to book a seat.

Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council will hold its monthly meeting next **Wednesday 2nd March @ 8pm** in the monastery. Remember that we value your input and suggestions.

Parish Choir

Parish Choir rehearsals for the Easter Vigil begin this **Saturday 27th February**; and then on the following Saturdays 5th; 12th & 19th March from **7:15pm to 9pm**. The final rehearsals will be on Holy Saturday 26th March from 11am to 1pm and in the Church before the Easter Vigil which is @ 9pm. The Parish Choir welcomes those from aged 18 upwards who can't commit to being in the choir on a regular basis but who would like to be part of the choir for major services. Why not join for Easter?

24 Hours for the Lord

In response to Pope Francis' **24 Hours for the Lord** Initiative on Friday 4th and Saturday 5th March for the Jubilee of Mercy, the parishes of Mount Argus and Harold's Cross draw your attention to Reconciliation and Adoration times on those days.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Mount Argus: Friday 4th March 10.30-11.30am; 4-4.30pm; Saturday 5th March 9am-12pm; 4pm-6pm; **Harold's Cross:** Saturday 5th March 11-11.30am; 6-6.30pm.
Eucharistic Adoration: Mount Argus: Friday 4th March 10.30am to 6.00pm; **Harold's Cross:** Saturday 5th March 11.00-11.30am & 12.00 – 6.30pm.

Mount Argus Door of Mercy

If you are coming for the Sacrament of Reconciliation or for Eucharistic Adoration during the *24 Hours for the Lord Initiative on 4th/5th March* why not use the **Mount Argus Door of Mercy** which is the side door (ramp door) of the church which brings you into the church near the Shrine of St. Charles, a saint who exercised God's mercy in his ministry of healing, hope and reconciliation. It is Pope Francis' desire that this door would be a "*Door of Mercy through which anyone who enters will experience the love of God who consoles, pardons and instils hope.*"

Novena of Grace

The Novena of Grace will take place from 4th -12th March at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Harold's Cross. Mon-Fri: 10.00am, Sat: 11.30am, Sun: 12.00pm. Our own 2 Fr. Franks among the speakers.

Mount Argus & 1916

On Thursday 10th March there will be a PowerPoint Presentation led by Fr. Paul Francis Spencer CP on the story of Mount Argus and the 1916 Easter Rising:
Venue: Mount Argus Upper Room: Time: from 8.00 – 9.30pm

Week of Guided Prayer

On the 5th Sunday of Lent, **12th/13th March**, there will be special speakers for the Homily at Masses to introduce the **Week of Guided Prayer** that is being offered in Mount Argus from **17th – 23rd April**. A Week of Guided Prayer is a retreat with a difference – sometimes called a '*Retreat in Daily Life*', or a '*Busy Person's Retreat*', as you don't have to go away to a quiet, beautiful place to find God. It is a way of making a retreat in the midst of daily living, as by taking some quiet time each day on your own you are enabled to find God in your everyday life, in all its ups and downs. Participants will be invited to meet for 30 minutes each day with their own personal prayer guide to help with this. Find out more on the 5th Sunday of Lent and think about taking this blessed opportunity to come closer to God.