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.

Vigil Mass Music Group

The new Vigil Mass Music Group (for the Saturday 6.15pm Vigil Mass) will rehearse on Wednesdays from 8.30 to 9.30 pm in the Upper Room, above the Sacristy, beginning on Wednesday, 2 November. If you would like to join the group, come to the rehearsal on 2 November. The group will begin singing at the Vigil Mass on Saturday, 26 November.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group will meet in the monastery on Tuesday, 25 October from 7.30 to 8.30 pm, and again on Thursday, 27 October from 10.45 to 11.45 am. 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 Cleary on 086 129 7593 if you wish further information.

Ministers of Holy Communion

The new roster for Ministers of Holy Communion is now available for collection at the monastery reception desk.

World Mission Sunday

This weekend we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for the Missions. The theme for this year is *Missionary Church, Witness of Mercy*. The special collection for Mission Sunday will be taken up in Mount Argus as an exit collection.

All peoples and cultures have the right to receive the message of salvation which is God's gift to every person. This is all the more necessary when we consider how many injustices, wars, and humanitarian crises still need resolution.

Missionaries know from experience that the Gospel of forgiveness and mercy can bring joy and reconciliation, justice and peace. (from Pope Francis's Message for Mission Sunday, 2016))

Service of Light

This year's Service of Light to remember our deceased loved ones, especially those who died and were buried from Mount Argus during the past year, will take place on Saturday, 5 November at the 11.00 am St Charles Novena Mass.

Beginning Experience

'The Beginning Experience' is a support group for those coping with the pain of loss of their life partner, through Death, Separation or Divorce. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Seeking help is a sign of strength and self-knowledge – not weakness. This is a healing ministry, which helps to resolve the grief that goes with the end of a marriage or relationship. Coping effectively with bereavement is a skill we can all learn. The next residential weekend will be held from 18 to 20 November in Emmaus Retreat Centre, Swords, Co Dublin. For further information please contact 086 0877379 or

Email <u>bedublin@gmail.com</u> or See: www.beginningexperience.ie

Volunteers Party

Because of the changes in the Parish Team, the Parish Pastoral Council have decided to postpone the annual celebration for our parish workers, ministers and volunteers, which usually takes place in October. The event will take place in the Spring of next year.

Public Rosary

The Legion of Mary will lead the Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady on Priory Road at 5.00 pm every Thursday during October, the month of the Rosary. All are welcome to come and pray with them. 'The Rosary is a prayer that always accompanies me; it is also the prayer of the ordinary people and the saints. It a prayer from my heart.' (Pope Francis)

Eucharistic Adoration takes place at the Sacred Heart Altar in Mount Argus Church every Wednesday and Friday from after the 10.00 am Mass until 6.00 pm. Why not drop in for a while and experience the healing presence of Christ

in the Eucharist?

Service of Remembrance The Board, Master and Staff of the Rotunda Hospital invite you to a Service of Remembrance for people who have lost a baby through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, neonatal death or fetal anomaly. The Service will be held in the Pro-Cathedral on Sunday, 6 November at 3.00pm. Afterwards, light refreshments will be served in the Gresham Hotel. For more information, please contact the Hospital Chaplain on 01 8171700.