

**Collection: Weekend of  
18/19 March 2017**  
€1,796  
**St Patrick's Day**  
€1,316

*Par. Envs: €786 (4 weeks)*

**Standing Orders etc:**  
**€350 (Approx)**

**Parish Choir Rehearsals**  
will be held on Saturdays  
during Lent in the Upper  
Room at 7.30 pm. New  
members are very welcome.

#### **Passionist Vocations**

A weekend retreat for young  
men interested in knowing  
more about life as a priest or  
brother in the Passionist  
Community will be held at  
the Passionist Monastery,  
Tobar Mhuire, Crossgar,  
County Down, beginning on  
the evening of Friday, 31  
March and concluding with  
lunch on Sunday, 2 April.  
Anyone interested in taking  
part should speak to Father  
Paul Francis CP or email him  
at [passionistvocations@  
gmail.com](mailto:passionistvocations@gmail.com)

#### **Bethany Bereavement Support Group**

The Bethany Bereavement  
Support Group will meet in  
the monastery on Tuesday,  
28 March from 7.30 to 8.30  
pm, and again on Thursday,  
30 March 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  
on 086 129 7593 if you wish  
further information.

#### **Coffee Morning**

Our monthly Coffee Morning  
will be held in the Upper  
Room today (Sunday) after  
the 11.00am Mass. All are  
welcome.

### **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.*

#### **Laetare Sunday – Mothers' Day**

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Lent which is known as Laetare ("Rejoice") Sunday. The prayers of today's liturgy remind us that the celebration of Easter is drawing near and so, even in this time of Lenten penance, we can be filled with the joy of the Risen Christ. We also celebrate Mothers' Day today, praying for all mothers and, each of us, for our own mother, living or dead. At the 11.00 Family Mass today, we will remember the mothers of our parish community in a particular way.

#### **Concert for Africa**

IT Tallaght in association with CEDF Charity presents Liam Lawton in concert with special guests Victoria Massey (Mezzo Soprano), Darren Holden (High Kings Star) with St. Jude the Apostle Children's Choir at Mount Argus Church, Dublin 6W on Thursday, 6 April. All proceeds go to the CEDF Schools programme in Uganda. Tickets €20 available from Mount Argus Parish Office or online at [www.eventbrite.ie](http://www.eventbrite.ie)

#### **Catholic Grandparents Association**

The Catholic Grandparents Association are holding their first Annual Retreat/Conference from 26 to 27 April at the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24. The theme of the retreat is 'Helping our Children and Grandchildren to know, love and serve God in these highly secularised times'. There will be inspiring talks and lively discussions. Speakers include Fr Benny McHale. For more information, contact Connie at 098 24877 or [catholicgrandparents@gmail.com](mailto:catholicgrandparents@gmail.com)

#### **Mary Aikenhead Heritage Centre**

Visit the Mary Aikenhead Heritage Centre in the grounds of Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross and hear the story of a remarkable Irish woman who set up the first hospital for the poor run by women in Ireland and who visited women prisoners in Kilmainham Jail. She also sent sisters to Australia to minister to Irish women convicts. Entrance to the Centre is free. Ring 086 7247660.

**Kindly remember the  
recently deceased:**

**Thomas Kavanagh  
Pat Griffin  
Aileen McLoughlin**

**May they rest in peace**

**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. – It is an experience of  
the healing presence of  
Christ in the Eucharist.

#### **Knock Pilgrimage**

The National Eucharistic  
Adoration Pilgrimage to  
Knock will be held on  
Sunday, 30 April. A bus  
will leave the gates of  
Mount Argus at 8.00 am  
sharp and will return at  
9.00 pm. The fare will be  
15 euro, which is the 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.

#### **Lough Derg Pilgrimage**

The Lough Derg Three-  
Day Pilgrimage season this  
year runs from 31 May to  
13 August. There are  
frequent bus pilgrimages  
from Dublin during the  
season. For more  
information, see the poster  
on the notice board at the  
back of the Church, near  
the Sacristy door.

**There will be a special  
retiring collection next  
Sunday to support the  
2018 World Meeting of  
Families.**