

**Collection: Weekend of  
29/30 April 2017  
€1,917**

**Par. Envs: €583 (3 weeks)**

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

### **Easter Dues**

The Easter Dues received to date amount to €2,948. Many thanks to all who contributed. Acknowledgements are sent to those who tick the box.

### **Canonisation Anniversary**

This year we celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Canonisation of St Charles. In 2007, on a wet June day in Rome (which was also a wet day in Dublin) Pope Benedict XVI declared Father Charles of Mount Argus to be a Saint. To commemorate the tenth anniversary of this great event, Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will celebrate Mass in Mount Argus on Pentecost Sunday, 4 June, at 11.00 am. All are welcome.

### **Tree of Hope**

Two years ago, our Tree of Hope was planted in the Passion Garden, opposite the Lourdes Grotto. The Tree of Hope is a symbol for all those who are affected by suicide or mental health issues such as depression, and a reminder to us all of the need we have to care for and support one another. On Sunday, 21 May, we will gather at the Passion Garden after the 11.00 am Mass for a Prayer of Blessing and Remembrance.

### **SVP Collection**

The monthly collection for the St Vincent de Paul Society will take place next weekend, 13-14 May, after all Masses.

## **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.*

### **Vocation Sunday**

The theme of this year's World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious Life is "Led by the Spirit for Mission". In his message for today, Pope Francis writes: "Our young people desire to discover the perennial attraction of Jesus, to be challenged by his words and actions, and to cherish the ideal that he holds out of a life that is fully human, happy to spend itself in love."

### **Special Collection**

A special collection will be taken up today (Vocations Sunday) in all churches throughout the Archdiocese of Dublin for the formation of students for the priesthood. In Mount Argus, this will be taken up as an Exit Collection.

### **Mount Argus Guided Tours**

As part of the Harold's Cross Community Festival 2017, there will be guided tours of Mount Argus Church and grounds on Saturday, 13 May at 3.00 pm and Sunday, 14 May at 2.30 pm. This year's tour is entitled "Meeting Mary: Images of the Mother of Jesus at Mount Argus".

### **Blessing of Babies and Young Children**

On Sunday, 14 May, we welcome to our 11.00 am Family Mass those families who had children baptised at Mount Argus during the past twelve months. At the Mass, we will have a blessing of these children and any other babies and young children who are present at the Mass.

### **Mass for the Sick at Mount Argus**

The annual Mass for the Sick with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated on Saturday, 27 May at 11.00 am

### **Triduum of Hope**

This year's Triduum of Hope in honour of Mary, Mother of Hope and St Charles will take place from Monday, 29 May to Wednesday, 31 May. Our theme for the Triduum will be "St Charles of Mount Argus: Mirroring the Compassion of God". Mass will be at 10.00 am each day, with a homily on St Charles by Fr Paul Francis. The Evening Service at 7.30 pm will be a time of prayerful reflection led by Fr Dermot and the Mount Argus Spirituality Team.

**Kindly remember the  
recently deceased:**

**Evelyn McManus  
Maureen Donnelly**

**May they rest in peace**

### **Rosary for May**

During the month of May, the Rosary will be said at 5 pm every Thursday at the statue of Our Blessed Lady on Priory Road.

### **Harold's Cross Festival**

The Harold's Cross Community Festival takes place this week. The theme for 2017 is "Diversity & Integration". The first two events take place in the Holy Rosary Pastoral Centre. On Monday evening Fionnuala Croke, Director of the Chester Beatty Library will talk about the man and his world renowned library in Dublin Castle. On Tuesday the topic is the Quaker and Judaism communities in Dublin - past & present. Both talks start at 7:30pm. See the full schedule at [www.haroldscross.org](http://www.haroldscross.org)

### **Men's Confraternity**

The Men's Branch of the Confraternity of the Passion will meet on Tuesday, 9 May at 8.00 pm in the monastery. New members are welcome.

### **Talk on St Bernadette**

Morgan Sharpe will give a talk on St Bernadette, which will be followed by blessing with a first class relic of St Bernadette at 3.30 pm sharp on Saturday, 20 May 2017 at the Legion of Mary House, 60 Sundrive Road, Crumlin.

