

<p><b>Collection:</b> 10/11 February 2018 €1,942</p> <p><b>Standing Orders etc:</b> €350 (Approx)</p>	<p><b>MOUNT ARGUS PARISH MISSION STATEMENT</b></p> <p><i>Our mission is to be a living parish where</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>All will feel welcome</i></li> <li>• <i>Everyone will be appreciated and encouraged to use their gifts</i></li> <li>• <i>People and priests work together to develop a community of faith and compassion.</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Kindly remember the recently deceased:</b></p> <p><b>Elizabeth Fay Patrick Whelan James Golden</b></p> <p><b>May they rest in peace</b></p>
<p><b>Bethany Bereavement Support Group</b> will meet in the monastery on Thursday, 22 February from 10.45 to 11.45 am. They are a listening ear for those who would like to talk to someone about their loss; the service is strictly confidential. You can just come along or contact Jean on 086 129 7593 if you wish further information.</p>	<p><b>Lent 2018</b> A leaflet containing Mass, service and special event times for Lent is available at the back of the Church. Please note that there is an extra Mass on weekdays during Lent (i.e. from Monday to Friday) at 7.00 am.</p>	<p><b>Parish Choir Rehearsals</b> will commence on Saturday, 24 February in the Upper Room from 7.30 until 9.00 pm. New members are very welcome.</p>
<p><b>Accord Collection</b> The annual collection for ACCORD, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made after all Masses this weekend. ACCORD Dublin works throughout the Diocese and offers: Marriage Preparation Courses; Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in relationships; a Relationship and Sexuality Programme in Schools. ACCORD Dublin needs your support.</p>	<p><b>Praying the Gospel of the Passion</b> On Friday evenings during Lent, we will have an introduction to prayer, based on different moments in the Gospel accounts of the Passion of Jesus. The first of these is “Gethsemane” where we will pray with Jesus in his agony in the Garden of Olives. It will be on Friday of this week, 23 February, at 7.30 pm in the Upper Room. The evening will be led by Fr Paul Francis. The third prayer evening (on 9 March) will be for young people, but the other evenings are open to all.</p>	<p><b>Alfie Lambe (1932–1959)</b> Mass for the Beatification of Alfie Lambe, one of Ireland’s candidates for sainthood will be offered in the Church of The Three Patrons, Rathgar, on Sunday, 25 February at 12.00 noon. The principal Celebrant and Homilist will be Fr Colm Mannion O.P. Alfie, a native of Tullamore, Co. Offaly, and a former Legion of Mary Envoy to South America has been designated as “the Servant of God” in recognition of the holiness and dedication of his short life. The Cause for his Beatification is progressing; all papers relating to it have now been sent to the Commission in Rome. Many favours through his intercession have been reported but what is needed to secure his beatification is a medically approved miracle through his intercession. <i>(This Mass is arranged by the Legion of Mary.)</i></p>
<p><b>St Charles Healing Mass</b> The monthly Healing Mass of St Charles of Mount Argus will be offered on Saturday of this week at 11.00 am. This is an opportunity to pray for healing for yourself through the intercession of St Charles or to pray for your loved ones who may be in need of God’s healing grace. The blessing with the Relic of St Charles of Mount Argus is given at the Mass. After Mass, there is prayer ministry for those who would like someone to pray with them.</p>	<p><b>World Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace</b> Pope Francis is asking us to join him in a special Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace. The Pope said: “Faced with the tragic protracted situations of conflict in different parts of the world, I invite all the faithful to take part in a special Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace on 23 February, the Friday of the First Week of Lent”. He said our prayers will be offered especially for those suffering violence in the Democratic Republic of Congo and in South Sudan.</p>	<p><b>Coffee Morning</b> The monthly Coffee Morning will be held in the Upper Room next Sunday after the 11.00 am Mass.</p>
<p><b>The Trócaire Romero Family Award</b> Is a way for families to prepare together for the World Meeting of Families through learning about the lives of other families around the world where Trócaire works. For more information, see the poster or go to <a href="http://www.trocaire.org/romeroaward">www.trocaire.org/romeroaward</a></p>	<p><b>Collection for World Meeting of Families 2018</b> The Third National Collection for the World Meeting of Families will take place next weekend.</p>	
<p><b>Parish Pastoral Council Report</b> At the recent meeting of the Parish Council, we looked at what we, as a parish, are offering and can offer to parents, children and young people in our parish community as we prepare for the World Meeting of Families. We also looked at how we can support the prayer life of the parish; we hope to hold a Week of Guided Prayer in May of this year in the week before the St Charles Triduum.</p>	<p><b>Collection for World Meeting of Families 2018</b> The Third National Collection for the World Meeting of Families will take place next weekend.</p>	