Collection: 17/18 February 2018 €1,958 World Meeting of Families: €1,120

Par. Envs: €318

Standing Orders etc: €350 (Approx)

#### Lent 2018

A leaflet containing service times for Lent is available at the back of the Church. Please note that there is an extra Mass on weekdays during Lent (from Monday to Friday) at 7.00 am.

# **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, 16 March and concluding with lunch on Sunday, 18 March. Anyone interested in taking part should speak to Father Paul Francis CP or email him at passionistvocations@ gmail.com

The Novena of Grace, at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Harold's Cross will take place from 4 to 12 March. Monday-Friday: 10.00 am. Saturday: 11.30 am and 7.00 pm. Sundays: 10.30 am and 12.00 noon.

Crumlin Retreat-Novena From 4 to 12 March, St Agnes Church, Crumlin will hold a Parish Retreat and Novena of Grace, conducted by Fr Pat Rogers CP and Fr John Hughes OSA. The theme is "Come seek the tender faithfulness of God". Mass twice daily: 10.00 am and 7.00 pm (Sundays: 9.30 and 11.00 am).

# 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.

# **Praying the Gospel of the Passion**

On Friday evenings during Lent, we have a time of prayer, based on different moments in the Gospel accounts of the Passion of Jesus. This week's evening prayer is a Taizé Prayer before the Cross led by the Mount Argus Youth Group. It is intended particularly for young people and will be on Friday, 9 March, at 7.30 pm in the Upper Room.

Amoris – Let's talk Family, let's be Family!

"Parish Conversations" in preparation for the World Meeting of Families will be held in the Mount Argus Community Centre, 179 Lower Kimmage Road, on Thursdays, 8, 15 and 22 March at 7.30 pm each evening. The series has been prepared by the WMOF office and if you would like to find out a little bit more about it you can find further details on www.amoris.ie

#### Host a Family/Pilgrim for WMOF2018

Thousands of people will be travelling from very distant places to participate in the World Meeting of Families in Dublin from 21 to 26 August 2018. Many would be unable to come if they also had to cover the cost of accommodation. Do you have a spare room? Would you be willing to host a person, a couple or a family next August? You can help welcome visiting families to Ireland and have a home-from-home experience.

If you are interested in learning more about hosting pilgrims for WMOF2018, please call 01 567 6800 or email hostingteam@worldmeeting2018.ie
For more information, go to https://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Get-Involved/Volunteer/Pilgrim-Host-Accommodation

#### The Trócaire Romero Family Award

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. Bookmarks explaining the Trócaire Romero Family Award are available on the tables at the back of the church. For more information, see the poster or go to www.trocaire.org/romeroaward

## St Vincent de Paul Collection

The monthly St Vincent de Paul Collection will take place outside the Church after Masses next weekend.

Kindly remember the recently deceased:

Christina Geoghegan

May she rest in peace

Parish Choir Rehearsals

will continue on Saturday, 10 March from 7.30 to 9.00 pm in the Middle Room. New members welcome.

All-Ireland Rally for Life will take place on Saturday, 10 March, beginning at Parnell Square at 2.00 pm. Now in its 11th Year, the All-Ireland Rally for Life is a national yearly event. It's a family-friendly rally that is a celebration of the prolife message. The day begins with music, song and inspiring talks, and face-painting! This is then followed by the Rally which ends with speeches and music. It is an organised walk through the busy city centre of Dublin, witnessing to shoppers and members of the general public. Show your love for mothers and children by walking to protect both.

## **Choose Life**

"Human life must always be defended from its beginning in the womb and must be recognised as a gift of God that guarantees the future of humanity" (Pope Francis). For help in understanding the value of every human life, look at "Choose Life", a weekly newsletter from the Catholic Church in Ireland, at www.dublindiocese.ie/choose-life-2018.