Collection: 7/8 April 2018 €1.780

Parish Envs: €418 (2 wks)

Standing Orders etc: €350 (Approx)

Mount Argus Parish Community Centre Lotto

This month the Lotto has a winner for the Jackpot of €1,500. The winning numbers are 1/5/8/10. Next month's Jackpot will be €600; the draw will be on 2 May. Lotto tickets can be purchased in the Community Centre, 179 Lower Kimmage Road, or at the reception desk in the Monastery.

Choose Life 2018 - Resources for Parishes

Every week, the Catholic Communications Office produces a newsletter called *Choose Life 2018*, which promotes the Church's position on unborn human life and encourages family discussion on this important subject. The newsletter is published each week on the diocesan website at www.dublindiocese.ie/choose-life-2018. Issue **Eleven** is now available for download.

Annual Spring Sale

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver are holding their Annual Spring Sale today (Sunday) St Joseph's Parish Hall, Terenure from 10.30 am to 2.30 pm. They will be grateful for your suppor. This year the proceeds will go to Fr Joseph Nguyen Ngoc Ngoan of Dien Bien Parish, Hung Hoa, Vietnam, to pay the school year fees for 37 ethnic students. The fee for a student is €200 for the year.

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.

General Meeting of Parishioners

On Monday, 30 April at 8.00 pm we will have a general meeting of our parish community in the Upper Room. This meeting is an opportunity for us to come together to look at what is going well at Mount Argus and what we would like to develop in the future as a parish community. It is open to all those who regularly pray and worship here. At the meeting we will also look at the proposed Saint Charles Centre and ideas for developing the Shrine of Saint Charles of Mount Argus.

Parish Council Report

At the last meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council, we discussed the general parish meeting which will take place on 30 April. We also had a review of the Lent, Holy Week and Easter celebrations. The Council heard reports from the youth group and the community centre and had an update on the Week of Guided Prayer which will be held in the parish in May. We hope to increase the number of Council members this year. In order to do this, we will have a process of nomination and discernment in June.

SHARE Newsletter

Copies of the Share Newsletter are available at the back of the Church. In Mount Argus, our parish's contribution to Share is deducted from the Offertory Collection each Sunday.

Vocation Sunday Collection

A special collection will be taken up next Sunday (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.

Blessing of Babies and Young Children

On Sunday, 29 April we will 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.

Week of Guided Prayer

Next Sunday, after Mass, there will be an opportunity to sign up for the Week of Guided Prayer which will take place from 13 to 19 May.

Kindly remember the recently deceased:

Ronnie Russell

May he rest in peace

Prayer Groups:

The Lectio Divina group meets in the monastery on Tuesdays at 10.30 am. The Men's Spirituality Group meets in the monastery on Tuesdays at 8.00 pm. The Charismatic Prayer group meets in the monastery on Thursdays at 8.00 pm.

Dublin Diocese Annual Knock Pilgrimage

will take place on Saturday, 21 April, with the main celebration of the Eucharist in the Basilica at 3.00 pm. This year's theme is 'We are Pilgrims – Knock invites us to healing and Peace.' For more information, see www.dublindiocese.ie/201 8-diocesan-pilgrimage-to-knock

Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock

A limited number of seats are available on a BUS ONLY service to KNOCK on Sunday, 29 April 2018. The bus departs from the gates of Mount Argus at 8.00 am sharp arriving in Knock at 11.00 am. There will be a 30 minute stop each way. The bus will leave Knock at 5.00 pm sharp to arrive in Dublin at 9.00 pm. Ticket: 15 euro return, payable in full when booking; non refundable. To book, please contact Joan at 087-7715392