



Mount Argus Bulletin

The Parish of St Paul of the Cross

and Shrine of St Charles of Mount Argus

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Masses at Mount Argus

Sunday: 8.00 am, 11.00 am, 4.00 pm

Monday to Friday: 10.00 am, 6.15 pm

Saturdays: 9.00 am, 11.00 am, 6.15 (Vigil Mass)

Working Holydays 6.15 pm Vigil, 10.00 am, 6.15 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:

10.30 - 11.30 am, 4.00 - 4.30 pm

Saturday: 9.00 am - 12.00 noon,

and 4.00 to 6.00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays and Fridays: 10.30 am to 6.00 pm

Blessing with the Relic of St Charles

Monday to Friday after 10.00 am Mass

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 4.00 pm

Saturday after 11.00 am Mass

Sunday after 11.00 am and 4.00 pm Mass

St Charles Novena Mass on Saturday at 11.00 am

Healing Mass on last Saturday of the month at 11.00 am

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Come Emmanuel

“The message of Advent is the confident message of Emmanuel, that still today God is with us to save us.

We turn to Mary as we reflect on how she, despite her natural perplexity, awaited in hope the birth of her firstborn, who was to bring salvation and new life into the world. We think of Joseph who, also troubled, hears the words that the Lord addresses to him in a dream and does as the angel said, trusting that God is with him. We cry out, “Come Emmanuel” to free us from all that prevents God’s loving care from invading our hearts with new life and light and hope.”

(Archbishop Diarmuid Martin)

Our special Family Mass for Advent takes place today (Sunday, 22 December) at 11.00 am.

Christmas Confessions: On Monday, 23 December, confessions will be from 10.30 to 11.30 am and from 4.00 to 6.00 pm. On Christmas Eve (Tuesday, 24 December), confessions will be from 10.30 am to 1.00 pm and from 2.00 pm until 6.00 pm. After that, there will be no confessions in the church until Saturday, 4 January when normal confession times resume.

Times of Christmas Masses: On Christmas Eve, 24 December, there will be the usual morning Mass at 10.00. On Christmas Eve, there will also be the Vigil Mass of Christmas at 6.15 pm, and the Mass of the Nativity at 9.00 pm, with Carols from 8.30 pm and the Blessing of the Crib before the Mass. On Christmas Day, the Dawn Mass will be at 8.00 am and the Day Mass will be celebrated at 11.00 am. (This is the Family Mass with the Children’s Nativity Play.) Please note that there will be no evening Mass on Christmas Day.

Christmas Play: The children of Mount Argus Parish dramatise the Christmas Story each year at the 11.00 Mass on Christmas Day. There is a rehearsal today after the 11.00 am Mass. All children 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 and people and priests work together to develop a community of faith and compassion.

The Week at Mount Argus

*Sunday: Advent Family Mass at 11.00 am
Christmas Nativity Rehearsal after 11.00 Mass*
Monday Legion of Mary Meeting at 7.00 pm in the Monastery
Tuesday Lectio Divina in the Monastery at 10.30 am
Saturday Monthly Healing Mass in honour of St Charles at 11.00 am in the Church

Mass Times after Christmas:

26 December (St Stephen's Day) – 11.00 am. 27 December (Friday) – 10.00 am.
28 December (Saturday) – 11.00 am, 6.15 pm (Vigil). 29 December (Sunday) – 8.00 am, 11.00 am, 4.00 pm. 30
December (Monday) – 10.00 am. 31 December (Tuesday) – 10.00 am.
1 January (New Year's Day) – 11.00 am. Normal Mass times will resume on 2 January.

Eucharistic Adoration: Please note that there will be no Eucharistic Adoration in the church during the Christmas and New Year period. Eucharistic Adoration will resume on Friday, 3 January.

St Charles Healing Mass: The monthly Healing Mass in honour of St Charles of Mount Argus will take place on Saturday of this week at 11.00 am.

Bethany Bereavement: There will be no meeting of the Mount Argus Bethany Bereavement Group in December. Meetings will resume in January 2020.

Capuchin Day Centre: Our thanks to all who took part in the beautiful Carol Service last Sunday. The collection which was taken up at the Carol Service to support the work of Brother Kevin and the Capuchin Day Centre came to €1,870. Thanks to all for your generosity.

Parish Envelopes 2020: Parish Envelopes for 2020 can be collected at the monastery. Please keep the same number as last year and provide your name and address when collecting your envelopes. Those who prefer their envelope contribution to remain an anonymous donation are free to do so.

Monastery Office Hours:

These are our office hours for Christmas and the New Year:

Christmas Day: Closed	St Stephen's Day: Closed
27 December: 9.30-1.00	28 December: 9.00-1.00
29 December: 10.30-12.30	30-31 December: 9.30-1.00
1 January: Closed	2-3 January: 9.30-1.00.

Normal office hours resume on 4 January 2020.

Feast of Saint Charles of Mount Argus: Normally we celebrate the Feast of Saint Charles on 5 January. This year, however, 5 January is a Sunday, the Second Sunday of Christmas, so we will commemorate the anniversary of Saint Charles's death at the Sunday Masses. Because this commemoration of Saint Charles occurs on a Sunday, there will be no "Transitus" Vigil of Prayer at the Tomb of Saint Charles this year. We are very blessed at Mount Argus to have our own saint, Saint Charles, who celebrated Mass, heard confessions and blessed the sick in this church, and who continues to intercede for those who need healing and hope today.

Mount Argus Calendars 2020 are available at the back of the church, Please take one.

World Day of Peace 2020 will be celebrated in the Diocese at a special Mass in the Church of St. Therése, Mount Merrion, on 1 January 2020 at 11.00 am. The theme chosen by Pope Francis this year is Journey of Hope: Dialogue, Reconciliation and Ecological Conversion. All welcome.

Lumen Dominican Centre brochure is now available online at www.lumenop.ie Please contact Lumen if you require further details on 012882075 or 0858727482 or email info@lumenop.ie

Remembering our Departed Brothers and Sisters: We pray for all those who have died recently; we remember especially Robert Tapley whose funeral was celebrated at Mount Argus. May he rest in peace.

The Passionist Community at Mount Argus wish you and your family every blessing at Christmas and thank you sincerely for all your support during the past year.

1st Collection €1,892 Parish Envelopes €170 Standing Orders (approx.) €250

Child Safeguarding: Mount Argus Parish is committed to ensuring the highest level of protection for all children who engage with our parish in any way. For information about the work of our Child Safeguarding Team or for the Dublin Diocese Statement, Procedures and Guidelines, see the posters on our Church notice boards or go to www.mountargusparish.ie/child-protection
To speak to a member of the Mount Argus Child Protection Safeguarding Team, please call 085 1325389.