

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

St Charles Novena Mass on Saturday at 11.00 am **Healing Mass** on last Saturday of the month at 11.00 am

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

Today is the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday of the Word of God

Pope Francis has asked that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time be observed as a special day devoted to "the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God". In his message for today, Pope Francis writes: "The sweetness of God's word leads us to share it with all those whom we encounter in this life and to proclaim the sure hope that it contains (cf. 1 Pet 3:15-16). Its bitterness, in turn, often comes from our realization of how difficult it is to live that word consistently, or our personal experience of seeing it rejected as meaningless for life. We should never take God's word for granted, but instead let ourselves be nourished by it, in order to acknowledge and live fully our relationship with him and with our brothers and sisters."

(Aperuit illis, 12)

<u>Family Mass:</u> Our special Family Mass with the children taking part in the readings, the prayer of the faithful and the offertory procession takes place today (Sunday) at 11.00 am. The next special Family Mass will be on Sunday, 1 March at 11.00 am.

<u>St Brigid's Crosses:</u> After the 11.00 am Family Mass today (Sunday), we will have a demonstration of how to make Saint Brigid's Crosses in the Middle Room. Rushes will be provided.

<u>Coffee Morning:</u> Our monthly Coffee Morning, which is organised by the Passionist Family Groups, will be held in the Upper Room after the 11.00 am Mass today. All are welcome.

<u>Altar Servers:</u> Children who would like to be Altar Servers at Mount Argus should ask their parents to give their names and contact details to Father Paul Francis or to the receptionist at the Monastery. To be an Altar Server, you should have made your First Holy Communion and be able to be at Sunday Mass regularly.

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 Special Family Mass at 11.00 am

Monday

Coffee Morning after the 11.00 am Mass

St Brigid's Cross making after the 11.00 am Mass Legion of Mary Meeting at 7.00 pm in the Monastery

Tuesday Lectio Divina in the Monastery at 10.30 am

Bethany Bereavement Support Group meets in the Monastery at 7.30 pm

Men's Spirituality Group in the Monastery at 8.00 pm

Thursday Bethany Bereavement Support Group meets in the Monastery at 10.45 am

Prayer Group meets in the Monastery at 7.30 pm

Friday Stations of the Cross after 10.00 am Mass

<u>Civil Defence Volunteers:</u> Today (Sunday), after the 11.00 Mass, our local Civil Defence Casualty Unit will be recruiting volunteers and (weather permitting) demonstrating their work outside the church. The Civil Defence Unit are a valued part of our community who help us with our Days for the Sick, Good Friday Public Stations of the Cross and other events at Mount Argus.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group: The Bethany Bereavement Support Group will meet in the monastery on Tuesday, 28 January from 7.30 to 8.30 pm and Thursday, 30 January from 10.45 to 11.45 am. The Bethany Bereavement Support Group are a listening ear for those who would like to talk to someone about their loss and the service is strictly confidential. You can just come along or contact Jean on 086 129 7593 if you wish further information.

<u>Parish Council:</u> The next meeting of the Mount Argus Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Wednesday, 5 February at 8.00 pm in the Monastery.

<u>Vocation Retreat:</u> 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, 13 March and concluding with lunch on Sunday, 15 March. (**Please note the change of dates.**) Anyone interested in taking part should speak to Father Paul Francis or email passionistvocations@gmail.com

<u>Catholic Schools Week:</u> Today marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. During this week we can celebrate the unique contribution that Catholic schools, both primary and post-primary, make to the mission of the Church in our local faith communities and throughout the wider church. This year's theme is "Catholic Schools: Living in Harmony with God's Creation". For more information, see www.catholicschools.ie <u>Living the Word Workshop:</u> Patricia Carroll of the Dublin Diocese Office of Evangelisation and Ecumenism will lead a workshop for this year's Lenten journey following on from last year's very successful workshop on Lectio Divina for Lent. Resources will be provided for each Sunday of Lent to lead small group reflections on the Sunday Gospels of Year A. The workshop will take place in Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe on Wednesday, 29 January from 7.30 to 9.30 pm.

<u>Laudate Festival</u>: The Laudate Festival will be celebrated in four venues in the Archdiocese of Dublin during Catholic Schools Week. A large choir of children from schools in the diocese, 500-1000 in each venue, will lead in song and prayer. The festival nights are joyful and reflective gatherings celebrating the gift of faith. This is for everyone to enjoy and is free for all parents, families, friends and parishioners.

- Church of St Agnes, Crumlin on Monday, 27 January, 7.00 8.15 pm
- Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road on Tuesday, 28 January, 7.00 8.15 pm
- Church of the Holy Spirit, Ballyroan on Wednesday, 29 January, 7.00 8.15 pm
- St Pius X, Templeogue on Thursday, 30 January, 7.00 8.15 pm.

Remembering our Departed Brothers and Sisters: We pray for all those who have died recently; we remember especially Maura Groome, Fr Dermot O'Carroll C.P. and Thomas Russell whose funerals were celebrated at Mount Argus. May they rest in peace.

Collection €1,825 Parish Envelopes €152 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.