



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 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The annual ACCORD Collection takes place today

Accord Sunday – The Importance of Marriage Preparation

‘The primary objective of marriage preparation is to help each to learn how to love this very real person with whom he or she plans to share his or her whole life. Learning to love someone does not happen automatically, nor can it be taught in a workshop just prior to the celebration of marriage. For every couple, marriage preparation begins at birth. What they received from their family should prepare them to know themselves and to make a full and definitive commitment. Those best prepared for marriage are probably those who learned what Christian marriage is from their own parents, who chose each other unconditionally and daily renew this decision. In this sense, pastoral initiatives aimed at helping married couples to grow in love and in the Gospel of the family also help their children, by preparing them for their future married life.’

(Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia 208)

Accord Collection: The annual collection for ACCORD, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, takes place this weekend. Throughout the diocese, ACCORD offers Marriage Preparation Courses, Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, and a Relationship and Sexuality Programme for Schools. ACCORD Dublin needs your support. Please give generously.

Passionist Feast Day: On Friday of this week, we celebrate the Solemn Commemoration of the Passion, which is the titular feast of the Passionist Congregation.

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

<i>Monday:</i>	<i>Legion of Mary Meeting at 7.00 pm in the Monastery</i>
<i>Tuesday:</i>	<i>Lectio Divina in the Monastery at 10.30 am</i> <i>Men's Spirituality Group in the Monastery at 8.00 pm</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Shrine Group Meeting in the Monastery at 7.00 pm</i> <i>Prayer Group meets in the Monastery at 7.30 pm</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross after 10.00 am Mass</i>

Coffee Morning: Our monthly Coffee Morning, which is organised by the Passionist Family Groups, will be held in the Upper Room next Sunday after 11.00 am Mass.

Lent 2020: The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday which is celebrated this year on 26 February. As is usual at Mount Argus, the Forty Hours Adoration will take place on Ash Wednesday and the following day, 26 and 27 February. Next Sunday we will have a "chart" for those who can sign up for a half hour of prayer, to ensure that there is always someone praying before the Blessed Sacrament during the Forty Hours.

Family Mass: Our next special Family Mass with the children taking part in the readings, the prayer of the faithful and the offertory procession takes place on the First Sunday of Lent, 1 March at 11.00 am. During Lent, there will be Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sundays at the 11.00 am Family Mass.

Altar Servers: 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.

Parish Council Report: The Parish Pastoral Council met on Wednesday, 6 February. The New Volunteers Event will take place on the weekend of 29 February/ 1 March. This is the first in a series of such events and it will be focussed on inviting parishioners to participate in liturgical ministries, such as reading, serving and music. The Council discussed the possibility of running a 'book club' for Lent, based on the book 'Finding God in a Leaf' by Fr Brian Grogan SJ. The Young Adult Group also hopes to have a special programme during Lent. Our Parish Assembly will take place on Monday, 27 April.

Saint Charles Blessings: The Blessing with the relic of Saint Charles of Mount Argus is given on Sundays after the 11.00 am and 4.00 pm Masses. From Monday to Friday, the Blessing is given after 10.00 am Mass. On Wednesdays, Thursdays to Fridays the Blessing with the Relic of Saint Charles is also given at 4.00 pm. On Saturdays, the Blessing is given after the 11.00 am Saint Charles Novena Mass. At other times, the relic can be venerated at the Shrine and Tomb of Saint Charles.

Vocation Retreat: 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. Anyone interested in taking part should email passionistvocations@gmail.com or speak to Father Paul Francis

Mount Argus Parish Community Centre Lotto Results: The Jackpot was not won this month. The winners of the three €50 prizes are: No. 03416; No. 02154; No. 03467. Next month's Jackpot is €1,050. The next draw will be on 4 March 2020. Lotto tickets can be purchased in the Mount Argus Community Centre or at the Monastery reception desk.

Divine Mercy Conference: The annual Divine Mercy Conference will take place on 21, 22 and 23 February in the RDS, Ballsbridge. This year's theme is: 'Deliver us from evil' (Mt.6:13). For information, see the poster at the back of the church.

Glendalough Retreat for Young Adults: Book your place on the upcoming "Awake My Soul" young adult Iretreat in Glendalough for the weekend of 6 – 7 March. Booking closes on Monday, 24 February. You can download the booking form from www.evangelisation.ie

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

Collection €1,895 Parish Envelopes €199 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.