



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: 11.00 am, 6.15 (Vigil Mass)
Working Holydays 6.15 pm Vigil, 10.00 am, 6.15 pm

Church Opening Hours

Sunday: 7.30 to 8.45 am; 10.30 am to 5.00 pm
Monday to Friday: 9.30 am to 6.45 pm
Saturday: 10.30 am to 7.00 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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:
11.00 - 11.30 am, 4.00 - 4.30 pm
Saturday: 4.00 to 5.30 pm

St Charles Novena Mass: Saturday, 11.00 am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays and Fridays: 4.00 to 6.00 pm

Today is the Third Sunday of Advent

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Christmas Collection will be taken up after Mass today. This is the only collection at Mass today. For those who are not at church today, St Vincent de Paul envelopes for Christmas are available on the tables at the back of the church. They can be handed in at the monastery.

Eucharistic Adoration: This time of silent prayer and adoration takes place at the High Altar on Wednesdays and Fridays from 4.00 to 6.00 pm.

Times of Prayer: The Rosary is prayed after morning Mass on weekdays (Monday to Saturday), except on Fridays when we pray the Stations of the Cross. The Blessing with the Relic of St Charles is given after morning Mass on weekdays and after the 11.00 am and 4.00 pm Masses on Sundays. There is also a Blessing with the Relic of St Charles on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 4.00 pm.

Thank You: We thank those who continue to send in donations to support Mount Argus Church and the Passionist Community during these days. Donations received this week amounted to €1,100.

Donations: With the "Donate" button on our website you can contribute to the Collection at Mass or Light a Candle. If you are sending a cheque, please make it out to "Passionist Congregation".

Christmas Cards: Christmas Cards for enrolment in the Passionist Mass Guild are now available. Please phone the monastery during office hours for information.

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.

Office Hours: To contact one of the Passionist priests or brothers, please call 01-499-2000. **The office at the monastery remains closed** but the phone is attended from 9.30 am to 1.00 pm and from 1.30 pm to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday, and from 9.30 am to 1.00 pm on Saturday. Outside of those hours you can leave a message and we will call you back. If you are looking to have a Mass offered or for Mass Cards, please call the office (01-499-2000); cards can be posted out to you.

Crosscare Appeal: This year, due to Covid 19 restrictions, Crosscare will not be able to launch a food collection in the Diocese of Dublin as usual. However, in order to ensure that they have adequate supplies, they are asking people to support them by making a donation on line to make sure families struggling to cope can have food on the table this Christmas. Archbishop Diarmuid Martin has appealed to those parishioners who would ordinarily have supported food drives and the unwanted gifts appeal to go on line and make a donation at www.crosscare.ie

Mount Argus Church Update – Christmas Masses 2020

Masses at Christmas have the same restriction on numbers as Mass on other days. Here at Mount Argus we will have two zones at the evening Masses on Christmas Eve and the Masses on Christmas Day, St Stephen's Day (Saturday, 26 December) and Sunday, 27 December. This will give us a total of 100 people for Mass on these days. We will have extra Masses at Christmas, but we encourage you to think of going to Mass for Christmas on another day during the twelve days of Christmas, until the Feast of the Epiphany on 6 January.

On the evening of Christmas Eve, Masses will be at 4.00, 6.00, 8.00 and 10.00 pm.

On Christmas Day, Masses will be at 8.00 and 11.00 am.

Admission to the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses will be by ticket only. You can book a ticket by phoning the office at Mount Argus (01 4992000) during office hours. We will take your name and phone number, and arrange for you to receive your tickets between now and Christmas.

You can book for your household, but please only book for people who will be there at the Mass, not for those you think might possibly like to be there. Please think of other people also at this time. We will not be taking bookings for you and your twenty-four grandchildren who always come to Mount Argus with you on Christmas Day. This year, things are different, so think of other people, not just of your own family.

And, for Mass attendance, think of Christmas as a season, not just a day. If you can come for your Christmas Mass on another day during the Christmas season, that will be helpful to everyone. There is, of course, no obligation to be in church for Mass at Christmas. All our Masses will be streamed on the Mount Argus webcam, and you can choose to take part in the Mass in that way.

Fr Paul Francis C.P.

(Last week's Church Collection amounted to €1,785 Standing Orders were 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 0851876203.