

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

St Charles Novena Mass: Saturday, 11.00 am

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

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesdays and Fridays: 4.00 to 6.00 pm

Today is the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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) <u>Accord Collection</u>: The annual Collection for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be taken up after Mass today. ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese offers: Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups; Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone; A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools. ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. Please give generously.

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.

Saint Charles Jubilee Year: To mark the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of Saint Charles of Mount Argus, Pope Francis has granted a Jubilee Year to the birthplace of Saint Charles in the Netherlands and to our church at Mount Argus. During the Jubilee Year, which lasts from 11 December 2021 to 5 January 2023, a Plenary Indulgence can be gained by those who visit Mount Argus Church. The Jubilee Indulgence for the St Charles Jubilee Year can be received every day at Mount Argus during the Jubilee Year by fulfilling these two conditions: (1) making a Pilgrim Visit to Mount Argus Church to take part in a Jubilee celebration or to pray at the tomb of St Charles, saying there the Our Father, the Creed and a prayer to Our Blessed Lady and to St Charles; (2) Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion and Prayer for the Pope's intentions. The elderly, the sick and all those who, for grave reason, cannot leave their homes, will be able to obtain the plenary indulgence by repenting of all sins, and by intending to fulfil the conditions of confession, communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions as soon as possible, if in the presence of an image of Saint Charles, they have spiritually participated in the Jubilee, offering to the merciful Lord their prayers and sufferings and the hardships of their lives.

<u>Would you like to know more about St Charles?</u> Books and pamphlets about St Charles are available from the reception desk in the Monastery, as well as St Charles relic medals, rosaries and candles.

<u>St Vincent de Paul Collection</u>: The monthly collection to support the work of the Society of St Vincent de Paul will take place after Mass next weekend.

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 €112.

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

<u>Collection Basket:</u> For those at Mass in church, a collection basket is available at the back of the church. <u>Our Synodal Journey:</u> In the coming weeks and months, together with the whole Church, we will be entering into a time of reflection and sharing on the mission of the Church today as we take part in the journey "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission". This Synodal Journey invites the whole Church to walk together and listen to one another but above all to listen to the Holy Spirit. Explaining the Synod's three key words - communion, participation, and mission – Pope Francis has said that communion and mission describe for us the mystery of the Church.

<u>ALONE – Volunteers Needed:</u> ALONE supports older people to age at home, combatting loneliness and isolation. Would you like to volunteer from the comfort of your own home? ALONE is seeking volunteers to make Support & Befriending calls to older people. Please visit their website at www.alone.ie or call their National Support and Referral line on 0818 222 024 to find out more about volunteering with ALONE. <u>Divine Mercy Conference:</u> This year's Divine Mercy Conference will be held online from Friday, 25 February to Sunday, 27 February. Speakers include Fr Chris Alar, Fr Brendan Walsh, Dr Mary Healy and Fr Eunan McDonnell. For more information, go to www.divinemercyconference.com

<u> Mount Argus Church Update – 13 February 2022</u>

When coming to Mass at Mount Argus, we ask you to wear a face mask, to use the hand sanitisers inside the church and to practise social distancing. We continue to livestream Mass every morning and evening as usual. The Bishops have said that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still suspended.

Last week's Church Collection amounted to €1,712 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.