

# 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 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

**Healing Mass** on last Saturday of the month at 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 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# World Day of Prayer for the Sick

Saturday, 11 February is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and is also the World Day of Prayer for the Sick. This year's theme is "Take care of him" - Compassion as a Synodal Exercise of Healing. Here is an extract from Pope Francis's Message for the World Day of Prayer for the Sick:

Brothers and sisters, we are rarely prepared for illness. Oftentimes, we fail even to admit that we are getting older. Our vulnerability frightens us and the pervasive culture of efficiency pushes us to sweep it under the carpet, leaving no room for our human frailty. In this way, when evil bursts onto the scene and wounds us, we are left stunned. Moreover, others might abandon us at such times. Or, in our own moments of weakness, we may feel that we should abandon others in order to avoid becoming a burden. This is how loneliness sets in, and we can become poisoned by a bitter sense of injustice, as if God himself had abandoned us. Indeed, we may find it hard to remain at peace with the Lord when our relationship with others and with ourselves is damaged. It is crucial, then, even in the midst of illness, that the whole Church measure herself against the Gospel example of the Good Samaritan, in order that she may become a true "field hospital", for her mission is manifested in acts of care, particularly in the historical circumstances of our time. We are all fragile and vulnerable, and need that compassion which knows how to pause, approach, heal, and raise up.

# 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.

<u>St Brigid Bank Holiday:</u> Monday, 6 February will be a bank holiday to mark the Feast of St Brigid. Mass on Monday, 6 February will be at 11.00 am only. The office in the monastery will be closed on Monday.

<u>Accord Collection:</u> The annual Collection for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be taken up next weekend. 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.

<u>Legion of Mary:</u> The Mount Argus Legion of Mary group meets every Monday at 7.15 pm in the Legion of Mary centre at 60 Sundrive Road, Kimmage. New members are welcome.

<u>Weekly Coffee Morning:</u> The Mount Argus Parish Community Centre holds a weekly Coffee Morning every Friday from 10.30 am to 12.00 noon. All are welcome. The Centre is at 179 Lower Kimmage Road. <u>Inchicore Lourdes Novena:</u> The Oblate Parish of Mary Immaculate, Tyrconnell Road, Inchicore are holding their Our Lady of Lourdes Novena from Thursday, 2 February to Saturday, 11 February. For more information, see the poster on the notice board at the back of the church.

<u>Divine Mercy Conference:</u> After a Covid gap of three years, the Divine Mercy Conference will take place from 17 to 19 February in the RDS, Ballsbridge. For information, see poster at the back of the church.

<u>Thank You:</u> 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 €208.

**<u>Donations:</u>** 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". For those at Mass in church, a collection basket is available at the back of the church.

# **The Building Hope Prayer:**

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise. You constantly journey with us even in our darkness and doubts. We seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family. Open our eyes to recognise you in the faces of one another, in the breaking of bread and in the splendour of creation. May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us. May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word, bringing forth truth, justice and peace. May the Holy Spirit working in and through us do much more than we can dare to imagine as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service. We make this our prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. St Laurence O'Toole, pray for us. St Kevin, pray for us. St Brigid, pray for us.

# **Mount Argus Church Update – 5 February 2023**

When coming to Mass at Mount Argus, we encourage you to wear a face mask, to use the hand sanitisers inside the church and to respect people's space. We continue to livestream Mass every morning and evening.

# Church Collection €1,930 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.