



# *Mount Argus Bulletin*

## *The Parish of St Paul of the Cross*

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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

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### **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

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

**St Charles Novena Mass:** Saturday, 11.00 am

Wednesdays and Fridays: 4.00 to 6.00 pm

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## **Trinity Sunday**

### **Important notice of changes to our normal schedules during this coming week:**

As mentioned in last week's Bulletin, during this coming week the Passionists of St. Patrick's Province, which includes our community here in Mount Argus, will be having our Provincial Chapter in Larne. This Chapter takes place every four years, and at it we discuss and make decisions relating to our life and ministry, as well as electing a leadership team (Provincial and his council) for the following four years. That leadership team will subsequently make decisions regarding the leadership and staffing of our various communities – including here in Mount Argus. As this is a very significant event in our lives, it is important that as many of us as possible participate.

The local effect of this is that there will be nobody here to carry on our usual schedule of services from Monday afternoon to Friday afternoon inclusive. Fortunately, we have been able to call on some members of other local congregations to provide a very basic service. So please note:

**From Monday 16<sup>th</sup> to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June there will be just once Mass each day – at 10.00 am.**

**There will be no Confessions or Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.**

**Neither will there be evening masses on those days.**

**The church will remain open until 4.30 pm each afternoon.**

We regret the inconvenience this will cause to many of you, but trust that you will appreciate that this coming week is hugely significant for the service we hope to continue here in Mount Argus over the coming years. We ask you to remember us specially in your prayers, that we may be open to what the Holy Spirit is asking of us at this time, and have the courage to face the realities and challenges that our modern world provides. Thank you for your understanding and prayers.

## SWEET MYSTERY OF LIFE!

'Trinity Sunday' is a term that always evokes in my mind a phrase from my youth – "from Ash Wednesday to Trinity Sunday". It comes from the days when it wasn't enough for us that we had the Ten Commandments of the Old Testament – we had another Six Commandment (or sometimes 'precepts') of the Church. One was that we must go to confession at least once a year, and another was that we should go to Holy Communion at least once a year. And "from Ash Wednesday to Trinity Sunday" was the period within which 'especially' we were to make our annual Confession and receive our annual Communion. Now, there's a real mystery – how did the Church ever get itself into the position of suggesting that minimum standards might ever be in any way acceptable?

Mystery is not something our scientific world is too comfortable with, and yet aren't so many of the beautiful things in our world steeped in mystery. The mystery of a love that makes two hearts beat as one; the mystery of a baby's chuckle that lights up an entire room. My not understanding it is simply a reflection of the limitations of my mind, not a reflection of the truth of the mystery itself.

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity, a mystery, not verifiable by common sense. One might say that the key to understanding the Trinity is to realise that we can never fully understand it. It is a mystery, which we come to terms with by Faith, and with humility. Each time we make the sign of the cross we once again assert the reality of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and their unity in love, and we acknowledge the privilege it is for us to be the object of their love. Living the mystery is bringing that reality and that love to our homes, and everything we do.

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**The Annual Collection in aid of the Summer Project:** This will be taking place after all the masses this week-end. We encourage you to give generously to support those – mostly volunteers, with the support of Crosscare – who selflessly give of their time to provide recreational and educational activities for children and young people of the area.

**Partnership Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Glendalough - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July:**

Join us for a pilgrim experience in the beautiful valley of Glendalough, visiting the sacred sites associated with the sixth century Saint Kevin with a pilgrim guide from the Glendalough Hermitage Centre. Cost: €40 adult, €20 children (covers bus, pilgrim guides and lunch in the Wicklow Heather) Bus to collect people from Harold's Cross Church car park at 9.15 am and return by 6 pm approx. Free parking for the day at the Parish house located at the back of Parish centre.

Holy Mass celebrated by Fr. Alex in St Kevin's of Laragh (designated a Jubilee Church for this year). A guided pilgrim walk through the monastic city with an option for able walkers to walk to the Upper Lake & return by the wooden boardwalk. An alternative option with a pilgrim guide for those less mobile to explore the Visitors centre, watch a video and walk to God's cottage. All weather dependent. If interested, names and money will be taken after Mass in Harolds Cross – Our Lady of the Rosary **on June 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>**, or phone Siobhan Speers 087-9475110 or Geraldine Larkin 086-1604475 with names and phone numbers by June 22<sup>nd</sup>. This pilgrimage is open to all in the partnership group (Harold's Cross, Mount Argus, Beechwood Avenue, Rathmines & Rathgar).

**St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Collection:** This will be taking place after all the masses next week-end, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

**Interested in the Big Questions in Life?** Consider Post-Graduate studies in Christian Theology at Loyola Institute, Trinity College Dublin? Scholarships available. Join us for an online information session on **Weds 18th June 7 - 7.45pm**. See more information at [www.tcd.ie/loyola-institute](http://www.tcd.ie/loyola-institute)

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**We pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish.....; we remember those who have died recently** –Charlie Kenny, Stephen O'Neill, Thomas 'Willo' Williams, Emily O'Brien, Des Cahill, Joan O'Brien; **and we remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time** – Phylis Walsh, James Perry, Julie O'Connor, Martin Reilly, Tommy Nolan, Brendan & Niall Mulvey. **Financial Update – 15 June 2025:** Collection last Sunday, €1655. Standing orders for week, approx. €250. Donations via website, €158. Payments via credit card machines past week, €578.50.