

**Collections: Week ending:
7th February 2016**

€1,803 (of which €250 sent to Share)

Par. Envs: €262.50

Standing Orders: €330 (Approx.)

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*
- *People and priests work together to develop a community of faith and compassion.*

Please pray for those recently deceased:

**Rose Murphy
Colum Kane
Maud Quinn**

Rest in Peace

Music Director

A number of quality applications were received for the post of Music Director. We are now in a process of interview and discernment to find the right person for Mount Argus.

Accord

The Accord Dublin Annual Collection will take place at all Masses **this weekend 13th/14th February**. In Mount Argus this will be taken up as an Exit Collection. Accord offers marriage preparation courses; counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, and a relation and sexuality programme in schools. Please give generously.

Casa Collection

There will be a Church Gate Collection next weekend 20th/21st February on behalf of CASA – the Caring and Sharing Association – which seeks to develop friendships between helpers and people with disabilities, as well as making an annual pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Lent 2016

A booklet containing all the Mass, service and special event times is available on the tables at the back of the Church. ****Please note there is an extra Mass during Lent on weekdays at 7am.***

Lenten Prayer Tree

Crosses may be hung on our Lenten prayer tree with names or intentions you wish to be remembered in prayers and Masses throughout Lent. These crosses will be placed in the Easter Garden when Lent is over as a symbol of hope.

Diary Dates

Thursday 25th February: An Hour of Reflection:

Encountering God's Mercy and Passion

Led by Fr. Frank Trias C.P.

Mount Argus Upper Room from 8-9pm

Thursday 10th March: Mount Argus and 1916:

PowerPoint Presentation

Led by Fr. Paul Francis Spencer CP:

Mount Argus Upper Room: from 8.00 – 9.30pm

Confirmations

Confirmations for children attending St. Clare's Primary and Harold's Cross National Schools will take place on **Thursday 25th February** at 11am in Harold's Cross Church. In Mount Argus we have been journeying towards this with our family choir member Laura and our altar server Benit. Also our altar server Joseph is making his Confirmation this year. We continue to pray for them and for All the children and we wish them every blessing as the day draws near.

Parish Choir

Parish Choir rehearsals for the Easter Vigil will take place in the Meeting Rooms on the following dates: Saturdays 27th February; 5th; 12th & 19th March from 7:15pm to 9pm; Saturday 26th March from 11am to 1pm and in the Church before the Easter Vigil which is @ 9pm

National Children's Hospital

For those who may still have doubts as to whether the St James's Hospital Campus is the best location for the New National Children's Hospital, visit www.connollyforkidshospital.com

You are invited to review the website and, if you agree, to sign a petition which is available to print or online and spread the word. *Please see the notice on the board at the back of the Church.*

Mercy

Mercy is the form that love takes when faced with the suffering of others:

Spiritual Works of Mercy

Admonish the sinner;

Instruct the ignorant;

Counsel the doubtful;

Comfort the sorrowful;

Bear wrongs patiently;

Forgive all injuries; Pray

for the living and the dead.

Corporal Works of Mercy

Feed the hungry; Give

drink to the thirsty; Clothe

the naked; Shelter the

homeless; Visit the sick;

Visit the imprisoned; Bury

the dead.

Alfie Lamb

Holy Mass for the Beatification of Alfie Lambe (1932-1959), one of Ireland's candidates for sainthood will be offered in the Church of The Three Patrons, Rathgar, on Sunday 28th February 2016 at 12 noon. The principal Celebrant and Homilist will be Fr Martin Halpin P.P. Kinnegad. Alfie, a native of Tullamore, Co. Offaly, and a former Legion of Mary Envoy to South America has been designated as "the Servant of God" in recognition of the holiness and dedication of his short life. What is needed to progress his cause is a medically approved miracle through his intercession.