

**Collections: Week ending:
20th March 2016**

*€1,984 (of which €250 to
Share)*

Par. Envs: €218.50

**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:**

Margaret O'Brien

Rest in Peace

Office Hours

Please note that the office will close on Easter Sunday at 1pm and all day on Easter Monday. From Easter Tuesday to Easter Friday the office will be open from 9.30am and close at 1pm. Normal Office Hours resume on Easter Saturday 2nd April.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will not take place on the Wednesday or Friday of Easter Week (30th March & 1st April) and will resume on **Wednesday 6th April** with normal schedule.

Mass times in Easter Week

As detailed in your Holy Week and Easter booklet, Masses on Easter Monday 28th March will be at 9am & 11am; from Tuesday 29th March to Friday 1st April there will be only one Mass at 10am, and then Mass times return to normal on Easter Saturday 2nd April.

Confessions

Please remember there are **no Confessions now until Wednesday 6th April** when normal Confession service will resume.

Back Gate Works

To enable drainage work to take place for the new housing development there will be only pedestrian access through the back gate for the next 5 to 6 weeks. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Easter Thank You

Thank you to those who have worked so hard on our behalf in the preparation and celebration of Lent and Easter. To our environment group for the displays, banners, prayer tree, Easter Garden, flowers, candles, and all the other bits and pieces that enhanced the journey so much; to those who prepared and presented the beautiful prayers and reflections for our 40 Hours Adoration as Lent began and the Vigil at the Altar of Repose on Holy Thursday Night; to our faithful band of cleaners and those who augmented them for looking after the Church, inside and out, with such loving care and commitment; to the Folk Group, Cantors, Parish Choir, Garda Choir, organists, and to our music coordinator for the ceremonies this year, Mary O'Brien – the music has been wonderful as ever; to our readers; Eucharistic ministers, Welcome team, altar servers, car park attendants, collectors and counters, sacristans, altar society; Civil Defense, and all who exercised their ministries in a whole variety of ways; to the Family Groups and Family Ministry Team who ensure the presence and participation of the children and who do so much to help make our parish feel like a true family of faith; to those who volunteered to have their feet washed, with a special mention to our World Youth Day Group; and to the Passionist Community who celebrated Masses, conducted Services, heard confessions, and preached the 7 Last Words, and to those frailer members who prayed with us and for us; also to those who prepared, printed, copied, folded and distributed leaflets for the various services; and lastly to those who through human frailty I may have forgotten. Thank you is never enough – but it's all we have, and I offer it on behalf of all of us.

Knock

A bus will leave the gates of Mount Argus at 8am sharp to go to Knock on **Sunday 24th April** and will return at 9pm. The fare will be €15 return which is bus fare only. There will be a 30 minute stop on the journey both ways. Please contact Joan at **087-7715392** to book a seat.

Week of Guided Prayer

Those interested in taking part in the **Week of Guided Prayer** that is being offered in Mount Argus from **17th – 23rd April** are reminded to return their booking forms to the monastery reception or to Fr. Frank **on or before Tuesday 5th April**. As places are limited they will be allocated on a first come first served basis but we will endeavor to accommodate all who book to take part. If you didn't pick one up last week booking forms are still available at the monastery reception. If we are initially over-subscribed in relation to our resources you will be contacted and your name included on a waiting list should places later become available.

Bethany Group

There will be no meeting of the Bethany Bereavement Support Group next Tuesday 29th March but there will be a **morning meeting on Thursday 31st March from 10.45am until 11.45am**. They are a listening ear for those who would like to talk to someone about their loss and the service is strictly confidential. Come along or contact **Jean at 086 129 7593** if you wish further information.