

**Collections: Week ending
4th August 2016**

**€1,889 (from which taken:
Share €250)**

Par. Envs: €120

**Standing Orders etc:
€350 (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.*

**Kindly remember the
recently deceased:**

**Maura Nolan
Patricia Roche**

May they rest in peace

SVP Clothing Appeal

The SVP is seeking our help with its clothing appeal. Bags distribute last weekend and filled will be collected this weekend 10th/11th September at the Vigil and Sunday morning Masses only. We ask those who normally attend the 4pm Mass to try and drop their bags down in the morning time if possible. The appeal is for clean, good-quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc. We ask you to respond as generously always.

SVP Collection

The St. Vincent de Paul will also hold their monthly collection outside the church after all Masses this weekend **10th/11th September.**

Family Choir/Children's Liturgy

The Parish Family Choir resumes this Sunday **11th September** at the 11am Family Mass with rehearsal from 10am. The Children's Liturgy will resume next Sunday **18th September.**

Crosscare

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the Social Support Agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin, will be held at all masses next weekend, **17th/18th September.** In Mount Argus this will be taken up as an Exit Collection.

Passionist Professions

It is a joy to announce the admission of two novices, **Antony Connelly and Aidan O'Kane**, to first Profession of Vows as Passionists on this Sunday **11th September** in Holy Cross, Ardoyne. Also, two new postulants, **Brendan Breen and Conor Quinn**, will receive the habit and begin their novitiate. Antony and Aidan will afterwards resume studies in London; Brendan and Conor's Novitiate will take place in Crossgar. Please pray for them.

Changes in Mount Argus

Following on from the Provincial Chapter last June the new Passionist Provincial and Council have recently published their list of appointments. Changes affecting Mount Argus are that Fr. Paul Francis Spencer has been nominated as parish priest with Fr. Dermot Gallagher and Fr. Frank Trias nominated as assistant priests. The present parish priest, Fr. Frank Keevins, has been nominated as rector and parish priest of St. Mungo's in Glasgow. Fr. Bernard Lowe will continue as rector of the monastery and Fr. Brendan McKeever as vicar and chaplain to Our Lady's Hospice. These changes are due to take effect by the end of September.

Folk Group – End of an Era

With the transfer of Father Frank Keevins to Scotland the Mount Argus Folk Group, after 40 years of service to the Liturgy in Mount Argus, is unable to resume playing at the 6.15pm Vigil Mass. A review of the music and liturgy at the Vigil Mass will be undertaken by the new parish priest, Fr. Paul Francis Spencer, and our Music Director, Dani Fox. We thank the Folk Group for all they have given over the years, and we make special mention of Rhona Ledwidge who has been a mainstay of the Folk Group throughout all of those 40 years. Rhona and the other members, Brenda; Claire and Gavan, will continue to commit themselves to the music ministry in the parish into the future. The other recent member, Edel, who was a member of the Dominican Community at Westfield Road, was recently transferred after their own Chapter.

Passionist Feasts

Two important Passionist feasts will be celebrated this week. Wednesday 14th September is the feast of the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**; and Thursday 15th September is the feast of **Our Lady of Sorrows**, Patroness of the Passionist Congregation. These will especially be marked at the 10am Mass each day.

Men's Confraternity

The Men's Confraternity will meet next **Tuesday 13th September @ 8pm** in the Monastery. New members welcome.

Fr. Frank's Farewell

The Coffee Morning after the 11am Family Mass on **Sunday 25th September** will provide the parish with the opportunity to say goodbye to Fr. Frank Keevins who has been parish priest of Mount Argus from 2001-2008 and again from 2010-2016. Father Frank will leave shortly afterwards to take up his new post as rector and parish priest in St. Mungo's, Glasgow. We hope as many as possible will join us for this poignant occasion