

<p>Collection: 17/18 February 2018 €2,101</p> <p>Accord Collection: €855</p> <p>Par. Envs: €995 (4 weeks)</p> <p>Standing Orders etc: €350 (Approx)</p>	<p>MOUNT ARGUS PARISH MISSION STATEMENT</p> <p><i>Our mission is to be a living parish where</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All will feel welcome</i> • <i>Everyone will be appreciated and encouraged to use their gifts</i> • <i>People and priests work together to develop a community of faith and compassion.</i> 	<p>Kindly remember the recently deceased:</p> <p>Johanna Connors Mary (Maisie) Kennedy</p> <p>May they rest in peace</p>
<p>Mount Argus Youth Group will meet in the Middle Room of the Mount Argus Meeting Rooms on Thursday, 1 March at 7.00 pm. New members are welcome.</p>	<p>Lent 2018 A leaflet containing Mass, service and special event times for Lent is available at the back of the Church. Please note that there is an extra Mass on weekdays during Lent (i.e. from Monday to Friday) at 7.00 am.</p>	<p>Parish Choir Rehearsals will continue on Saturday, 3 March from 5.00 to 6.30 pm in the Middle Room. New members welcome.</p>
<p>Feast of St Gabriel Tuesday of this week, 27 February, is the Feast of St Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows, a Passionist student whose statue is in the church near the Sacred Heart Altar.</p>	<p>Praying the Gospel of the Passion On Friday evenings during Lent, we have a time of prayer, based on different moments in the Gospel accounts of the Passion of Jesus. This week's theme is "<i>Jesus and Peter</i>". This will be on Friday of this week, 2 March, at 7.30 pm in the Upper Room. The evening will be led by Fr Pat Rogers. Next week (on 9 March) there will be Taizé Prayer before the Cross led by the Mount Argus Youth Group.</p>	<p>Alfie Lambe (1932–1959) Mass for the Beatification of Alfie Lambe will be offered in the Church of The Three Patrons, Rathgar, on Sunday, 25 February at 12.00 noon. The principal Celebrant and Homilist will be Fr Colm Mannion O.P.</p>
<p>Amoris – Let's talk Family, let's be Family! "Parish Conversations" in preparation for the World Meeting of Families will be held in the Mount Argus Community Centre on Thursdays, 8, 15 and 22 March at 7.30 pm each evening. The series has been prepared by the WMOF office and if you would like to find out a little bit more about it you can find further details on www.amoris.ie</p>	<p>Collection for World Meeting of Families 2018 The Third National Collection for the World Meeting of Families takes place this weekend. Dublin will host the ninth World Meeting of Families which takes place from 21 to 26 August 2018. The World Meeting of Families was established in 1994 when Pope Saint John Paul II asked the Pontifical Council for the Family to establish an international gathering of prayer, catechesis and celebration that would draw participants from around the world and that would help to strengthen the bonds between families and bear witness to the crucial importance of marriage and the family to all of society.</p>	<p>"Human Life is Sacred" was the title of a pastoral letter written by the Irish Bishops in 1975. The first sentence of that letter was: "Human Life is sacred, even before it is born". That is still true today. For help in understanding the value of every human life, look at "Choose Life", a weekly newsletter from the Catholic Church in Ireland, at www.dublindiocese.ie/choose-life-2018.</p>
<p>Passionist Vocations A weekend retreat for young men interested in knowing more about life as a priest or brother in the Passionist Community will be held at the Passionist Monastery, Tobar Mhuire, Crossgar, County Down, beginning on the evening of Friday, 16 March and concluding with lunch on Sunday, 18 March. Anyone interested in taking part should speak to Father Paul Francis CP or email him at passionistvocations@gmail.com</p>	<p>To date, the World Meeting of Families has been hosted in Rome, Rio de Janeiro, Milan, Valencia, Mexico City and Philadelphia. Pope Francis has personally chosen Dublin to be the host city for the next World Meeting of Families and he has invited us to reflect on the theme 'The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World'.</p> <p>The Trócaire Romero Family Award is a way for families to prepare together for the World Meeting of Families through learning about the lives of other families around the world where Trócaire works. For more information, see the poster or go to www.trocaire.org/romeroaward</p> <p>Trócaire Boxes Lent boxes for Trócaire are available on the tables at the back of the church.</p>	<p>Rally for Life on Saturday, 10 March beginning at Parnell Square at 2.00 pm. Show your love for mothers and children by protecting both. "The Church must never tire of being an advocate for life and must not neglect to proclaim that human life is to be protected unconditionally from the moment of conception until natural death." (Pope Francis)</p>