

Collection:
3/4 March 2018
€945

Par. Envs: €178

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:

**Tony Lewis
Teresa Morrin**

May they rest in peace

Holy Week and Easter 2018

The leaflet with times of Holy Week Ceremonies, Confessions, and Masses during Easter Week is available at the back of the Church. The 7.00 am (Monday to Friday) Mass for Lent will continue until the Wednesday of Holy Week.

Crosscare Collection

The Annual Collection for Crosscare Youth Services (the Social Support Agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin) will be taken up after Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses next weekend.

Parish Pastoral Council

The Mount Argus Parish Pastoral Council will meet in the monastery on Wednesday of this week at 8.00 pm.

The Rathmines Shindig will take place from 11.30 am to 3.00 pm on Friday, 16 March at the Swan Plaza, Rathmines. Expect music, song, drama and a good outdoor Céilí session for all the family. Organised by the DIT Conservatory of Music and Drama, Rathmines College, St Louis High School and St Mary's College, it also features performers from these colleges among a range of others. A great way to start St Patrick's weekend, the event is supported by Dublin City Council and various community groups.

Saint Patrick's Day

Saturday of this week, 17 March, is St Patrick's Day. It is a Holyday of Obligation. There will be a Vigil Mass on Friday evening at 6.15. Masses on St Patrick's Day will be at 9.00 and 11.00 am. The 6.15 Mass on Saturday evening will be the Vigil Mass of Sunday.

Choose Life – Our Common Humanity

This week, the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference published a statement entitled 'Our Common Humanity', in which they speak of the value of every human life. The Bishops write: 'A compassionate society will do all in its power to support and love the mother and baby, and encourage responsible support from fathers. This vision of life makes sense to people of all faiths and none. While it is enriched by our Catholic faith, it is our common humanity that convinces us of the right to life of every human being.'

Copies of the statement are available at the back of the church. You can also find it at www.dublindiocese.ie/choose-life-2018

Amoris – Let's talk Family, let's be Family!

"Parish Conversations" in preparation for the World Meeting of Families continue in the Mount Argus Community Centre, 179 Lower Kimmage Road, on Thursdays, 15 and 22 March at 7.30 pm. The series has been prepared by the WMOF office and if you would like to know more about it, you can find further details at www.amoris.ie

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 "Crowned with Thorns". The prayer will be led by Father Dermot on Friday, 16 March, at 7.30 pm in the Upper Room.

St Vincent de Paul Collection – Change of Date

The monthly St Vincent de Paul Collection will take place after Masses on 24/ 25 March, not this weekend as previously announced. This will be the Society's Advocate Collection for Sunshine House, Balbriggan which provides holidays for Dublin's less fortunate children.

Parish Choir Rehearsals

This week's rehearsal will be on Thursday, 15 March from 7.30 to 9.00 pm in the Middle Room. New members welcome.

St Patrick's Day Stickers

The World Meeting of Families office has sent us a supply of window stickers and car bumper stickers for St Patrick's Day with the message 'God is family, so are we.' This is a way for us to let people know about the meaning of St Patrick's Day and promote the World Meeting of Families at the same time.

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. Bookmarks explaining the Trócaire Romero Family Award are available on the tables at the back of the church. For more information, see the poster or go to www.trocaire.org/romeroaward

Men's Confraternity

The Men's Branch of the Confraternity of the Passion will meet on Tuesday, 13 March at 8.00 pm in the Monastery. New members are welcome.