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| <p><b>Collection:</b><br/>12/ 13 May 2018<br/>€1,765</p> <p><b>Standing Orders etc:</b><br/>€350 (Approx)</p> | <p><b>MOUNT ARGUS PARISH MISSION STATEMENT</b></p> <p><i>Our mission is to be a living parish where</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>All will feel welcome</i></li> <li>• <i>Everyone will be appreciated and encouraged to use their gifts</i></li> <li>• <i>People and priests work together to develop a community of faith and compassion.</i></li> </ul> | <p><b>Kindly remember the recently deceased:</b></p> <p><b>Pat (Brigid) Flattery</b><br/><b>Pauline Webb</b><br/><b>Anne Nancy Byrne</b></p> <p><b>May they rest in peace</b></p> |
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### **Mount Argus Guided Tour**

As part of the Harold's Cross Community Festival 2018, there will be a guided tour of Mount Argus today (Sunday) at 2.30 pm, for about an hour. This year's tour is 'Father Charles – The Saint of Healing and Hope'.

### **Coffee Morning**

The monthly Coffee Morning will be held in the Upper Room next Sunday after the 11.00 am Mass. All are welcome.

### **Community Centre AGM**

The Annual General Meeting of the Mount Argus Community Social service Centre will take place in the Community Centre, 179 Lower Kimmage Road, on Monday, 28 May at 7.30 pm. Annual subscription of €2 may be paid at the AGM. New members are welcome.

### **St Charles Healing Mass**

The monthly Healing Mass of St Charles of Mount Argus will be offered on Saturday of this week at 11.00 am. This is an opportunity to pray for healing for yourself through the intercession of St Charles or to pray for your loved ones who may be in need of God's healing grace. The blessing with the Relic of St Charles of Mount Argus is given at the Mass. After Mass, there is prayer ministry for those who would like someone to pray with them.

### **Statement by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin**

Archbishop Martin has issued a statement on the Defence of Human Life; copies are at the back of the church. Here are some extracts from the text: "The 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution sets out to ensure equal protection of both the mother and the unborn child. The Amendment ought to have been accompanied by an appropriate legislative framework to assist doctors in dealing with complex situations. This is still possible. Repealing the 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment is not about permitting limited abortion. It would bring about a radical change to our broad pro-life culture. It would end any Constitutional protection whatsoever for the unborn. Proposed future legislation would permit abortion without restriction up to 12 weeks, but also permit abortion on physical and mental health grounds up to six months.... It seems incongruous that just as medical science allows us to understand much more about the evolution of the baby in the womb and his or her originality and unique identity that we should simply throw out all Constitutional protection of the unborn child. For that reason I will be voting No. I ask the Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Dublin to join in moments of prayer in the coming days in each parish. I ask you to invoke the Spirit of Jesus to touch hearts and commit our society to be pro-life in defending the lives of unborn children and in supporting women and men in the challenges they meet in accepting the joy of parenthood."

### **Triduum of Hope**

This year's Triduum will take place from Monday, 21 May to Wednesday, 23 May. The special intention of this year's Triduum is 'Prayer for Life: Family, Healing and Hope.' During the Triduum, Fr Paul Francis will speak on St Charles at the 10.00 am Mass. In the evening there will be a Triduum Mass at 7.30, with a reflection by Doctor Orla Halpenny (Doctors for Life) on Monday; Doctor Ashling Bastible (Irish Catholic Doctors Learning Network) on Tuesday; Bernadette Goulding (Director of Rachel's Vineyard Ireland) on Wednesday. The 7.30 pm Mass will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 9.00 pm.

### **Rosary for May**

During the month of May, the Rosary will be said at 5.00 pm every Thursday at the statue of Our Blessed Lady on Priory Road.

### **Mount Argus Youth**

The Youth Group is having a Games Afternoon in the Upper Room on Saturday, 26 May from 4.00 to 6.00 pm. New members are especially welcome.

### **Ecumenical Bible Week**

Ecumenical Bible Week takes place from 20 to 27 May. Now in its fifth year, it is a parish-based event that is jointly sponsored by the Archdiocese of Dublin, the combined dioceses of Dublin & Glendalough, and other key groups such as Scripture Union. The theme this year is 'Handing on Faith - Crisis, Challenge and the Great Commission'. It will take place in 13 venues across Dublin and surrounding areas. Further information and free downloads on [www.bibleweek.ie](http://www.bibleweek.ie) and at [www.facebook.com/bibleweekie](http://www.facebook.com/bibleweekie)

### **Exams**

Next Sunday we will have a blessing at the 11.00 Mass for those who are doing exams. Today we invite you to write their names on a Triduum of Hope petition form which will be placed at the Tomb of St Charles.