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Mount Argus Bulletin

The Parish of St Paul of the Cross

and Shrine of St Charles of Mount Argus

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Masses at Mount Argus

Sunday: 8.00 am, 11.00 am, 4.00 pm
Monday to Friday: 10.00 am, 6.15 pm
Saturdays: 9.00 am, 11.00 am, 6.15 (Vigil Mass)
Working Holydays 6.15 pm Vigil, 10.00 am, 6.15 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:
10.30 - 11.30 am, 4.00 - 4.30 pm
Saturday: 9.00 am - 12.00 noon,
and 4.00 to 6.00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays and Fridays: 10.30 am to 6.00 pm

Blessing with the Relic of St Charles

Monday to Friday after 10.00 am Mass
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 4.00 pm
Saturday after 11.00 am Mass
Sunday after 11.00 am and 4.00 pm Mass

St Charles Novena Mass on Saturday at 11.00 am

Healing Mass on last Saturday of the month at 11.00 am

Today is the Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is a Special Collection today for Crosscare

World Day for the Care of Creation

Since 2015, the Catholic Church celebrates 1st September as the World Day for the Care of Creation. The day is inspired by Pope Francis' landmark encyclical *Laudato Si'*, which calls on 'every person living on this planet' to care for our shared Earth. Pope Francis explains the meaning of the day in these words: 'The annual World Day of prayer for the Care of Creation offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to reaffirm our personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation, as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live.' In recent months some members of the Parish Pastoral Council have been looking at a document called 'Faith-Communities – Actions to help pollinators'. This initiative encourages parish communities to take actions to help save our bees by managing our landscape 'to better support and enhance all nature and creation'. There are said to be ninety-nine different species of bees in Ireland, one third of which are threatened with extinction. The booklet's guidelines suggest twenty-four practical actions which are the measures that are most likely to benefit Irish pollinators; these include: mowing areas of grass using a pollinator-friendly regime; installing a bee hotel; raising awareness in the community; organising a parish action day; planting pollinator friendly bulbs, trees, shrubs and flower beds and reducing the use of pesticides. If you would like to know more about this initiative, go to <https://pollinators.ie> and click on 'Faith Communities'.

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 and people and priests work together to develop a community of faith and compassion.

The Week at Mount Argus

Sunday: Special Crosscare Collection
Monday: Legion of Mary Meeting at 7.00 pm in the Monastery
Community Centre Committee Meeting in the Centre at 8.00 pm
Tuesday: Lectio Divina in the Monastery at 10.30 am
Liturgy Group Meeting in the Monastery at 7.30 pm
Men's Spirituality Group in the Monastery at 8.00 pm
Wednesday: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in the Monastery at 8.00 pm
Thursday: Prayer Group in the Monastery at 8.00 pm
Friday: Stations of the Cross after 10.00 am Mass
First Friday Communion visits to the sick and housebound
Saturday: Passionist Companions Meeting at 9.30 am in the Monastery

Changes to the Parish Newsletter: After about ten years of writing a weekly reflection on the front page of the parish newsletter, Father Ignatius has decided to put down his pen. Our deepest gratitude goes to him for all that he has given to us with his words which have always been encouraging and also challenging. Because there will be no regular weekly reflection, the newsletter now has a slightly different (experimental) look.

Crosscare Community and Homeless Collection: The annual collection for Crosscare Community, Homeless and Youth Services will be taken up after all Masses this weekend. Crosscare is the Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin. Inspired by the example and teachings of Jesus Christ, Crosscare has: A VISION of a society where all people have the opportunity to fulfil their potential; A MISSION to provide innovation and relevant services to those most in need. Archbishop Martin writes: "In today's Gospel, Jesus urges humility and tells us when we serve the poor we will be blessed. Your continued generosity enables Crosscare develop new ways of working with vulnerable adults, families and young people providing support services across our parishes that will help build a better future for all."

Final Profession of Brother Aidan: Brother Aidan O'Kane, who has been a member of the Mount Argus community for the past year, will make his Perpetual Profession of Vows at the 11.00 am Mass next Sunday. All are welcome to take part in this Mass. Please remember Brother Aidan in your prayers as he makes his Final Vows as a Passionist and continues his journey towards Ordination to the Priesthood.

Church Cleaning: A faithful but ever diminishing band of volunteers clean the church every Thursday morning, beginning at 7.30 am. New help is always welcome. If you would like to get involved, just turn up on Thursday morning at 7.30. Bring your own brush if possible.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: The Children's Liturgy team needs new members. Please consider volunteering to ensure we can continue to offer a special celebration of the Liturgy of the Word to the children who attend Mount Argus. Training and support will be provided. To find out how you can help, please contact Fr Paul Francis at the Parish Office or speak to Katie after the 11.00 am Sunday Mass.

Parish Pastoral Council: The Parish Pastoral Council will meet in the monastery on Wednesday at 8.00 pm.

SVP Collection: The monthly St Vincent de Paul Collection will take place after Masses next weekend.

Knock Pilgrimage: Join the Legion of Mary on their annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine, Knock, Co. Mayo on Sunday, 29 September. The coach departs from 60 Sundrive Road at 7.30 am and from Halfway House, Walkinstown at 7.45 am. Booking is essential. The cost is €40 which includes bus fare, morning snack and evening dinner. To book, contact Mary (Sundrive Road) on 087 9413395 or Mary (Halfway House) on 085 7221008.

Remembering our Departed Brothers and Sisters: We pray for all those who have died recently; we remember especially those whose funerals were celebrated at Mount Argus during July and August: Nora Reilly, Laura Donovan, Mary Gallagher, Esther Branagan, Thomas Henderson, Phillip Ryan, Paddy Devereux, Peter Noctor, Francis Leydon, Josephine Wallace, Tony Weldon, Betty Curtis, John Reilly and Thomas Smith. May they rest in peace.

1st Collection €1,770 Parish Envelopes €174 Standing Orders (approx.) €250

Child Safeguarding: Mount Argus Parish is committed to ensuring the highest level of protection for all children who engage with our parish in any way. For information about the work of our Child Safeguarding Team or for the Dublin Diocese Statement, Procedures and Guidelines, see the posters on our Church notice boards or go to www.mountargusparish.ie/child-protection
To speak to a member of the Mount Argus Child Protection Safeguarding Team, please call 085 1325389.