



# *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

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#### **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

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**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 Second Sunday after Christmas**

### **Saint Charles of Mount Argus**

Today (Sunday, 5 January) is the anniversary of the death of St Charles of Mount Argus. Usually, this day is celebrated as the feast of St Charles but this year it is the Second Sunday of Christmas. Father Charles died at Mount Argus on this day in 1893, just two weeks after his seventy-first birthday. He had arrived at Mount Argus from England on 9 July 1857, having been born in the Netherlands and ordained as a Passionist priest in Belgium. During his years here, he was well known in Dublin and beyond for his compassion for the sick and suffering. Every day at Mount Argus he blessed the people with the relic of St Paul of the Cross, the founder of the Passionists, and many were healed through his intercession, as they still are today.

*Saint Charles, you knew what it is like to live with sickness and pain.*

*We ask you to intercede for those who are sick.*

*May they know that, in their sickness,  
the loving hand of God reaches out to them  
with healing and hope for body and spirit.*

*May they learn to trust God and place  
their lives in his hands. Amen.*

**Would you like to know more about St Charles?** Books and pamphlets about St Charles are on sale at the reception desk in the Monastery, as well as St Charles relic medals, rosaries and candles.

### **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**

*Monday: Legion of Mary Meeting at 7.00 pm in the Monastery*  
*Tuesday: Lectio Divina in the Monastery at 10.30 am*  
*Men's Spirituality Group in the Monastery at 8.00 pm*  
*Thursday: Prayer Group meets in the Monastery at 7.30 pm*  
*Friday: Stations of the Cross after 10.00 am Mass*

**Feast of the Epiphany:** Monday is the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, which is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses on Monday will be at 10.00 am and 6.15 pm.

**Family Mass:** Our next special Family Mass with the children taking part in the readings, the prayer of the faithful and the offertory procession will be on Sunday, 26 January.

**Liturgy Group:** The next meeting of the Liturgy Group will be on Tuesday, 14 January at 7.30 pm.

**Parish Council:** There will be no meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council this month. The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday, 5 February at 8.00 pm.

**Eucharistic Ministry:** The new roster for Ministers of Holy Communion is available for collection at the reception desk in the monastery.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Our weekly Eucharistic Adoration in Mount Argus takes place on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10.30 am until 6.00 pm.

**Parish Envelopes 2020:** For those who make a contribution to the parish through the parish envelopes, new envelopes for 2020 are available for collection at the reception desk in the monastery. With the new charity regulations, we invite those who use the envelopes to keep the same number they had last year and to provide their name and address when collecting their envelopes. Those who prefer their envelope contribution to remain an anonymous donation are free to do so.

**Mount Argus Finances:** Thank you to all who support Mount Argus financially throughout the year. For your information, on the notice board at the back of the Church, there is a notice which gives a breakdown of how the finances are managed at Mount Argus.

**Saint Charles Blessings:** The Blessing with the relic of Saint Charles of Mount Argus is given on Sundays after the 11.00 am and 4.00 pm Masses. From Monday to Friday, the Blessing is given after 10.00 am Mass. On Wednesdays, Thursdays to Fridays the Blessing with the Relic of Saint Charles is also given at 4.00 pm. On Saturdays, the Blessing is given after the 11.00 am Saint Charles Novena Mass. At other times, the relic can be venerated at the Shrine and Tomb of Saint Charles.

**Monthly Healing Mass:** The monthly Healing Mass in honour of St Charles of Mount Argus is offered on the last Saturday of each month 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 the Healing Mass, there is prayer ministry for those who would like someone to pray with them.

**Anam Cara,** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, are holding a Parent Support Event on 13 January at 7.20 pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

**Lumen Dominican Centre** brochure is now available online at [www.lumenop.ie](http://www.lumenop.ie) Please contact Lumen if you require further details on 012882075 or 0858727482 or email [info@lumenop.ie](mailto:info@lumenop.ie)

**Remembering our Departed Brothers and Sisters:** We pray for all those who have died recently; we remember especially Philomena Nathan and Edward Casey whose funerals were celebrated at Mount Argus. May they rest in peace.

*The Passionist Community at Mount Argus wish you and your family a Happy New Year and many blessings in 2020. We express our sincere thanks for your prayers and good wishes, cards and gifts at Christmas.*

**Collection 22 December €2,329    Christmas Day Collection €5,310    Collection 29 December €1,742**  
**Parish Envelopes €340    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](http://www.mountargusparish.ie/child-protection)  
To speak to a member of the Mount Argus Child Protection Safeguarding Team, please call 085 1325389.