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# *Mount Argus Bulletin*

## *The Parish of St Paul of the Cross*

### *and Shrine of St Charles of Mount Argus*

-- *Saint Paul's Retreat, Mount Argus, Dublin 6W (Eircode: D6W XR66) --*

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**The Church is closed until further notice**

**Masses at Mount Argus – All Masses on Webcam only**

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.15 pm

Sunday: 11.00 am, 4.00 pm

Monday to Friday: 10.00 am, 6.15 pm

Saturdays: 9.00 am,

**Blessing with the Relic of St Charles**

Daily on the Webcam after the morning Mass

Sunday on Webcam at 11.00 and 4.00 Mass

**St Charles Novena Mass is available on the  
Webcam on Saturday at 9.00 am**

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**Today is Easter Sunday**

**Easter Wishes from the Passionists at Mount Argus**

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On behalf of all at Mount Argus I want to wish you a happy and blessed Easter. It has been strange for us to celebrate Holy Week with the church doors closed. We miss you all and we look forward to the time when we can gather again as God's family to celebrate the Eucharist together. I am sure this has been a very difficult time for you, especially those of you who live alone. Here at Mount Argus we pray for you every day. We pray also, through the intercession of Saint Charles, for those who are sick and those who are caring for the sick, for those who have died and for those who are bereaved. We want to thank you for praying for us during these days; we feel truly supported by your prayers. We also want to thank those who have written messages of encouragement or have sent donations towards the running costs of the church and monastery. It is a great help to us at the present time. Be assured of our prayers for your intentions and a remembrance in our daily Masses at Mount Argus.

Fr Paul Francis C.P.

**Office Hours:** To contact one of the Passionist priests or brothers, please call 01-499-2000. The office at the monastery is closed but the phone is attended from 9.30 am to 1.00 pm, Monday to Saturday (except on Easter Monday). Outside of those hours you can leave a message and we will call you back. If you are looking to have a Mass offered or for Mass Cards, please call the office (01-499-2000); cards can be posted out to you.

**Thank You:** We thank those who have sent in donations to support Mount Argus Church and the Passionist Community during these days when there are no Sunday church collections. Donations received this week amounted to €1,125.

#### **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.

**Easter Masses:** Mount Argus Church remains closed for the time being. This is for the safety of our parishioners and friends, following the instructions from the Government. All Masses are being live streamed and recorded on the parish website ([www.mountargusparish.ie](http://www.mountargusparish.ie)). Here are the Mass times for Easter week:

Easter Sunday, 12 April: Easter Vigil at 8.00 pm; Sunday Mass at 11.00 am and 4.00 pm

Easter Monday, 13 April: Mass at 11.00 am

Tuesday to Friday, 14 to 17 April: Mass at 10.00 am only (No evening Mass)

Saturday, 18 April: Mass at 11.00 am; Vigil Mass at 6.15 pm

Sunday, 19 April: Mass at 11.00 am and 4.00 pm

**Mount Argus on Facebook:** To help keep everyone in touch with what is happening at Mount Argus and to provide supports for faith and prayer at this time, we have set up a Mount Argus Facebook page which you can find by searching on Facebook for **Mount Argus – The Shrine of Saint Charles**. Please connect with the page and encourage others to do so as a way of strengthening our links with each other during these days when we are not able to gather as a community for the Eucharist.

**Harold's Cross Community Response:** Harold's Cross Community Council are in the early stages of setting up a volunteer group to help those in need in the Harold's Cross area of Dublin at this challenging time. We are mobilising a group to help our neighbours and one another out over the next weeks/months as required during the Covid-19 outbreak. We are following a Community Response Plan that has emerged from Dublin 8. If you are interested in getting involved in some way, please fill out your details on the form which you will find by following the link at [www.haroldscross.org](http://www.haroldscross.org) and we will be in touch with you.

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:** ALONE, the organisation which helps older people, has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday from 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, by calling 0818 222 024. Hours may be extended to meet the demand.

**Volunteer Help in the Community:** Templeogue Synge Street GAA Club has set up a COVID19 Community Response Group. Do you need help to get your shopping? We have a network of Volunteer members in our GAA club who are ready and willing to help anyone needing assistance as a result of the COVID19 virus. Our Contact number is 089 9826794. Simply call or text our Community Response Group number above, and we will arrange for one of our Volunteers to get in touch with you directly. We are here to assist those in the community who are need to self-isolate, to get their essential messages: grocery shopping, prescription collections etc. Our members will not enter your home and will practice social distancing as advised by the HSE. Your engagement will be kept confidential; we will not retain any personal information.

### **A Prayer to St Charles of Mount Argus**

O dear Saint Charles, Friend of the Sick,  
during your life on earth,  
you were always ready to help those who were ill.  
Many times you have gone to the bedside of the sick  
and prayed for them with faith.  
We ask you now to be close to those  
who are in need of God's healing.  
May Our Lady, Health of the Sick, join you  
in interceding with the Father on their behalf. Amen.

**(Last Sunday's Collection did not take place    Standing Orders were 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.