

## 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: 11.00 am, 6.15 (Vigil Mass)

Working Holydays 6.15 pm Vigil, 10.00 am, 6.15 pm

#### **Church Opening Hours**

Sunday: 7.30 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday: 9.30 am to 6.45 pm Saturday: 10.30 am to 7.00 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: Saturday, 11.00 am

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 11.00 - 11.30 am, 4.00 - 4.30 pm Saturday: 4.00 to 5.30 pm

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesdays and Fridays: 4.00 to 6.00 pm

### Today is the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Ash Wednesday at Mount Argus

The Season of Lent begins on Wednesday of this week, 2 March. Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence. Because of the situation in Ukraine, Pope Francis has asked us to observe Ash Wednesday this year as a day of fasting and prayer for peace.

**Forty Hours Adoration:** As is usual at Mount Argus, the Forty Hours Adoration begins on Ash Wednesday. Adoration will begin after the 10.00 am Mass and will continue throughout the day, ending with Prayer and Benediction from 7.30 to 8.00 pm. On Thursday, 3 March, the Adoration will resume after the 10.00 am Mass and continue until Prayer and Benediction from 7.30 to 8.00 pm. Do try to join us (in person or online) for this evening time of meditative Prayer and Benediction on 2 and 3 March, as a way of beginning Lent in a reflective spirit. During the Forty Hours, there will be the usual evening Mass at 6.15.

<u>Forty Hours Adoration "Chart":</u> To ensure that there is always someone praying before the Blessed Sacrament during the Forty Hours Adoration, a chart has been placed at the back of the Church this weekend. You are invited to sign up for a half hour of prayer during the Forty Hours Adoration.

**Trocaire Lenten Boxes:** Lenten Boxes for Trocaire are available on the tables at the back of the Church.

#### 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.

Saint Charles Jubilee Year: To mark the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of Saint Charles of Mount Argus, Pope Francis has granted a Jubilee Year to the birthplace of Saint Charles in the Netherlands and to our church at Mount Argus. During the Jubilee Year, which lasts from 11 December 2021 to 5 January 2023, a Plenary Indulgence can be gained by those who visit Mount Argus Church. The Jubilee Indulgence for the St Charles Jubilee Year can be received every day at Mount Argus during the Jubilee Year by fulfilling these two conditions: (1) making a Pilgrim Visit to Mount Argus Church to take part in a Jubilee celebration or to pray at the tomb of St Charles, saying there the Our Father, the Creed and a prayer to Our Blessed Lady and to St Charles; (2) Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion and Prayer for the Pope's intentions. The elderly, the sick and all those who, for grave reason, cannot leave their homes, will be able to obtain the plenary indulgence by repenting of all sins, and by intending to fulfil the conditions of confession, communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions as soon as possible, if in the presence of an image of Saint Charles, they have spiritually participated in the Jubilee, offering to the merciful Lord their prayers and sufferings and the hardships of their lives.

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

<u>Thank You:</u> We thank those who continue to send in donations to support Mount Argus Church and the Passionist Community during these days. Donations received this week amounted to €162.

<u>Donations:</u> With the "Donate" button on our website you can contribute to the Christmas Dues, the Collection at Mass or Light a Candle. If you are sending a cheque, please make it out to "Passionist Congregation".

**Collection Basket:** For those at Mass in church, a collection basket is available at the back of the church. ALONE - Volunteers Needed: ALONE supports older people to age at home, combatting loneliness and isolation. Would you like to volunteer from the comfort of your own home? ALONE is seeking volunteers to make Support & Befriending calls to older people. Please visit their website at www.alone.ie or call their National Support and Referral line on 0818 222 024 to find out more about volunteering with ALONE. The Synodal Pathway: In the coming weeks and months, together with the whole Church, we will be entering into a time of reflection and sharing on the mission of the Church today as we take part in the journey "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission". This Synodal Pathway invites the whole Church to walk together and listen to one another but above all to listen to the Holy Spirit. Explaining the Synod's three key words - communion, participation, and mission – Pope Francis has said that communion and mission describe for us the mystery of the Church. Here is an introduction to the Synodal Pathway from Patricia Carroll, who is a member of the Synodal Task Group for Ireland: There is much talk in the Church about being on a synodal pathway but what does that mean? A synod is a gathering, and a pathway implies a journey. This means that we are going to be journeying together for a significant length of time, in fact it means that this way of doing things is going to become a permanent way of being in the Church. Right now, we are only at the start, so we are in the learning phase. We are learning how to listen well so that we might truly understand each other, we are learning how to rely on the Spirit more than on ourselves, and we are especially learning how to dialogue so that everyone's voice is heard. We are doing this in phases and stages and right now we are in what is called the 'Local Phase' which is leading us towards 2023 when there will be a Universal Synod. This stage also includes initial listening and consultation here in Ireland that will set us up and help prepare for our own National Synodal gathering or gatherings in about five years' time.

#### **Mount Argus Church Update – 27 February 2022**

When coming to Mass at Mount Argus, we encourage you to wear a face mask, to use the hand sanitisers inside the church and to practise social distancing. We continue to livestream Mass every morning and evening as usual. The Bishops have said that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still suspended.

#### Last week's Church Collection amounted to €1,325 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

To speak to a member of the Mount Argus Child Protection Safeguarding Team, please call 0851876203.