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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: 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

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### **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

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

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

**St Charles Novena Mass:** Saturday, 11.00 am

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesdays and Fridays: 4.00 to 6.00 pm

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## **Today is the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **Letter from Archbishop Farrell for the Diocesan Safeguarding Day, 2022**

Sunday, 25 September, is Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday. This year the theme of the day is “Safeguarding – a Gospel Value”. Children occupy a central role in the teachings of Jesus, who pointed to the child as the ultimate symbol of the Kingdom of God. ‘Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it’ (Lk 18:17). Safeguarding Sunday is now a regular part of the diocesan calendar. It falls each year on the fourth Sunday in September. Over the past year or so, we have done a lot of talking and a lot of listening, both as part of the Synod and as part of the Building Hope project that I launched at the beginning of 2021. The talking and the listening in themselves bring us together and are part of the building up of the Kingdom of God. One of the things talked about in the synod meetings in the parishes was the sorrow, guilt and helplessness experienced by older parishioners at the lack of involvement of their own children with the Church and the need to reach out to young adults and children. These young adults are often the parents who must decide whether to permit their children participate in the life of our parishes. Some young parents are involved with their local parishes and do permit their children to participate in Church activities. However, some of these young parents have told us that some of their peers express misgivings about this. These parents wonder if it is safe to allow their own children to become involved in Church activities. These are the

### **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.

concerns of loving, responsible parents who are determined to protect their children from abuse. We need to open up a dialogue with these parents. We need to listen to their concerns, acknowledge the failures of the past, and share with them all the many ways that we seek to ensure the safety of their children. We need to find ways to share the good news with them, the good news that God loves their children and that those who work in our parishes - clerics, religious and lay people - are determined to demonstrate God's love for these children by the actions we take to ensure their safety. In the short film we made for this year's Safeguarding Sunday, Natalie Doherty, Faith Development Worker and member of the diocesan Safeguarding Committee refers to her work as centred "on engaging with families to support faith in the home", and of walking "the wonderful journey of celebrating the sacraments". We must be ever mindful of the generosity of parents who open their families to us, and the particular responsibility that brings with it. We should remember too, our responsibility to the vulnerable members of our community. The Church must always be a place of safety for those for whom the world may not always feel secure and welcoming. Finally, I ask you to remember in your prayers all those who have suffered abuse.

(Archbishop Dermot Farrell)

**Mission Appeal:** The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will visit Mount Argus next weekend to appeal on behalf of the missions. Sister Anie will speak at all Masses about their work and any support from parishioners will be gratefully appreciated.

**Season of Creation:** "Everything is related, and we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage, woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures and which also unites us in fond affection with brother sun, sister moon, brother river and mother earth." (Laudato Si', 92). For more information about this year's Season of Creation, you can go to the Irish Bishops' Conference website <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/2022/07/11/resources-for-the-season-of-creation-2022/>

**Thank You:** 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 €232.

**Donations:** With the "Donate" button on our website you can contribute to the Easter 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.

**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. The theme of the Jubilee Year is "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11: 28). The Jubilee is an invitation from the Lord to let ourselves be touched by his mercy and to experience the loving presence of Jesus Christ who came to heal the broken-hearted. It is a time of grace and forgiveness, a time of renewal in our Christian life.

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, can 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.

### **Mount Argus Church Update – 25 September 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 respect people's space. We continue to livestream Mass every morning and evening.

**Church Collection €1,803    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 0851876203.