

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 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of the Poor

"We are living in times that are not particularly sensitive to the needs of the poor. The pressure to adopt an affluent lifestyle increases, while the voices of those dwelling in poverty tend to go unheard. We are inclined to neglect anything that varies from the model of life set before the younger generation, those who are most vulnerable to the cultural changes now taking place. We disregard anything that is unpleasant or causes suffering, and exalt physical qualities as if they were the primary goal in life. Virtual reality is overtaking real life, and increasingly the two worlds blend into one. The poor become a film clip that can affect us for a moment, yet when we encounter them in flesh and blood on our streets, we are annoyed and look the other way. Haste, by now the daily companion of our lives, prevents us from stopping to help care for others. The parable of the Good Samaritan (cf. Lk 10:25-37) is not simply a story from the past; it continues to challenge each of us in the here and now of our daily lives. It is easy to delegate charity to others, yet the calling of every Christian is to become personally involved. Let us thank the Lord that so many men and women are devoted to caring for the poor and the excluded... They do more than give alms: they listen, they engage, they try to understand.... The Kingdom of God becomes present and visible in their generous and selfless service."

(Pope Francis, Message for the World Day of the Poor, 19 November 2023)

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.

November Dead List: November Lists for the Dead are available on the tables at the back of the church. Completed lists and offerings can be handed in at the monastery or placed in the basket after Mass. You can also send your list by email and make an offering with the Donate button on the Mount Argus website. The lists will be placed beneath the Altar from All Souls Day (2 November) onwards. Mass is offered every day during November and once a month throughout the year for those whose names are on our November List of the Dead.

<u>November Mass for the Deceased:</u> The Annual Mass for Deceased Members of the Garda Credit Union will be celebrated on Saturday, 25 November at 2.30 pm.

Parish Council Meeting: The Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday of this week at 7.30 pm in the Upper Room.

<u>Passionist Vocation Retreat:</u> A weekend retreat for young men interested in knowing more about life as a priest or brother in the Passionist Community will be held at the Passionist Monastery, Tobar Mhuire, Crossgar, County Down, beginning on the evening of Friday, 24 November and ending with lunch on Sunday, 26 November. If you are interested, please speak to Fr Paul Francis CP or write to him at passionistvocations@gmail.com

Caring for Creation Conference:

Parishes Caring for Creation, the Archdiocese of Dublin's Laudato Si' conference, takes place in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown, on Friday, 24 November. In the midst of the environmental crisis, how can parish communities care more deeply for God's creation? Join us for a day to equip yourself and your parish community to walk more gently on the earth – with dynamic speakers, practical workshops and a 'marketplace' of support. A limited number of places are still available. Please contact conference@dublindiocese.ie if interested.

Advent at the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght: 'Tear Open the Heavens' – An Advent Retreat with Sean Goan. Thursday, 7 December to Sunday, 10 December. The focus will be on the scriptures of Advent with a special focus on Isaiah, whose writing continues to inspire us to yearn for the coming of the Chosen One who brings light and hope into the darkness of winter. Cost: €300 residential, full board Thursday to Sunday. €180 non-residential, supper Thursday, lunch Friday, lunch Saturday & Sunday. Limited places are still available. To book please contact 01 4048123 or 4048189 (10.30 am − 2.30 pm Monday to Friday), dominicanretreats@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/DominicanRetreatCentre/. The centre is also running a Mindfulness for Christmas event on 2 December.

Prayer and Meditation Morning: Christian Meditation Ireland are hosting a Morning of Prayer and Meditation with Fr Laurence Freeeman, Director of the World Community for Christian Meditation. The event will take place in Balally Parish Centre, Dublin D16 E032 on Saturday, 2 December from 10.00 am to 1.30 pm. No previous experience is necessary. See www.christianmeditation.ie for booking details.

<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 £253.

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

<u>Collection Basket:</u> For those at Mass in church, a collection basket is available at the back of the church.

Mount Argus Church Update – 19 November 2023

When coming to Mass at Mount Argus, we encourage you to use the hand sanitisers inside the church and to respect other people's space, showing care and concern for one another.

Church Collection €1,680 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.