



# *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) --

Phone: 01 4992000 Email: [office@mountargusparish.ie](mailto:office@mountargusparish.ie)

Website (including Bulletin online): [www.mountargusparish.ie](http://www.mountargusparish.ie)

Facebook Page: Mount Argus – The Shrine of Saint Charles

---

#### **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

#### **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

---

## **Today is the Fourth Sunday of Lent**

### **Happy Mother's Day!**

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, is also Mother's Day. Wherever we are, we can pray today for our Mothers, living or dead, and entrust them to the loving care of Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of us all. Here is a reflection from Pope Francis: *The human family is built upon mothers. A world in which maternal tenderness is dismissed as mere sentiment may be rich materially, but poor where the future is concerned. Mother of God, teach us to see life as you do. Turn your gaze upon us, upon our misery, our poverty. Turn to us your eyes of mercy.... Mothers take their children by the hand and lovingly introduce them to life. But how many children today wander off on their own and lose their way. Thinking they are strong, they get lost; thinking they are free, they become slaves. How many, forgetting a mother's affection, live in anger with themselves and indifference to everything! How many, sad to say, react to everything and everyone with bitterness and malice! Life is such. Showing oneself "malicious" even seems at times to be a sign of strength. Yet it is nothing more than weakness. We need to learn from mothers that heroism is shown in self-giving, strength in compassion, wisdom in meekness. Mary, take us by the hand.... Lead us by the hand to rediscover the bonds that unite us. Gather us beneath your mantle, in the tenderness of true love, where the human family is reborn: "We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God".*

#### **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.

**Parish Pastoral Council Report:** The Mount Argus Parish Council met on Wednesday, 6 March. The theme for our parish's Golden Jubilee year is "With gratitude for past blessings, we continue to journey together." Our Jubilee Year will include a variety of celebrations: social events, concerts, exhibitions, a special Golden Jubilee Mass with Archbishop Dermot Farrell. In this year which Pope Francis has dedicated as a Year of Prayer, we will also have special times of prayer and reflection where together we can grow as a community of faith whose mission is to be disciples of Jesus in today's world.

**Photos Wanted:** In April we will have an exhibition of photographs of fifty years of life at Mount Argus Parish. If you have any photos of people, events or places in Mount Argus church and parish, you might consider lending them for the exhibition. If you wish the photos to be returned, please put your name and contact details on the back. Prints can be handed in at the reception desk in the monastery. Digital photos can be emailed to [mountargusparish50@gmail.com](mailto:mountargusparish50@gmail.com)

**Deepening our Faith in God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit:** You are invited to a short talk and informal discussion on the Holy Trinity on Tuesday, 12 March at 7.00 pm until 8.30 pm in the Legion of Mary house at 60 Sundrive Road. Bring a friend!

**Special Family Mass:** Our next special Family Mass, with the children taking part in the readings and the prayer of the faithful, will take place on Sunday, 24 March at 11.00 am.

**Church Cleaning for Easter:** On Palm Sunday (24 March), from 5.00 to 6.30 pm, we will be cleaning the Church in preparation for Easter. We are looking for volunteers to help with this; any help you can give would be very much appreciated. All cleaning material and equipment will be provided.

**Novena of Grace in St Agnes's, Crumlin:** The annual Novena of Grace in St Agnes's Church, Crumlin will take place from 4 to 12 March 2024. This year's Novena will be given by Fr Eunan McDonnell, Provincial of the Salesians. This year Fr. Eunan has chosen "ENCOUNTERING JESUS" as the theme for the Novena. The times for the Novena from 4 to 12 MARCH will be 10.00 am and 7.00 pm.

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

**Community Centre Course:** A four week Tai-Chi and Mindfulness Course will be held in the Mount Argus Community Centre from Wednesday, 6 March to Wednesday, 27 March from 11.30 am to 12.30 pm. The course is free of charge. To reserve a place please call Jenny on 086 1438709

**Just Lent 2024:** This year the Office of Mission & Ministry is inviting you to use the Just Lent Resource with a strong focus on social justice. This initiative is in conjunction with the emphasis at the moment, in parishes and partnerships of parishes, on the Social Justice quadrant of the Building Hope Framework for Renewal. The Just Lent Resource can be used for individual reflection, as a parish leaflet and for small group reflection. Each week there is the same prayer and a connection with the Sunday scriptures, with a short reflection. There is also a key quote connecting to the theme. This is followed by questions for reflection following the method of see, discern and act. The resource also includes a guide page on how to use it. This can be found on the Mission & Ministry website [www.missionministry.ie/lent-2024-resource-justlent](http://www.missionministry.ie/lent-2024-resource-justlent)

**Thank You:** We thank those who continue to send in donations to support Mount Argus Church and the Passionist Community through the "Donate" button on the website or in other ways. Donations received this week amounted to €300.

**Donations:** 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".

**Collection Basket:** For those at Mass in church, a collection basket is available at the back of the church.

### **Mount Argus Church Update – 10 March 2024**

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 €1,791      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.