

22 September 2024



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

Website (including Bulletin online): 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 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Safeguarding Sunday: This year Archbishop Farrell has asked us to focus on all the things we do to make our parish a safe and welcoming place for children and vulnerable adults. The new child safeguarding policy for the Catholic Church in Ireland, launched in June of this year, is called A Safe and Welcoming Church. It replaces an earlier policy which was called Safeguarding Children. The reason for the new title is that we have come to a point where we recognise that safeguarding can no longer be seen as a response to a crisis, brought about by abuse within the Church and the failure of many Church authorities to adequately address this abuse. Now we understand safeguarding as deeply rooted in gospel values, scripture and church teaching. Further, we commit ourselves not just to the prevention of harm but to the promotion of good, to the creation of the material and spiritual conditions for children's full development, as described by Pope Francis.

We are all aware now of being around children who are not part of our immediate family. We are afraid that our efforts to engage with them will be misunderstood or misconstrued. Yet the world will not be a safer place for children if those who have their best interests at heart disengage from them. Children need to know that there are adults who care for them and will come to their assistance if they are in any difficulty. Parents who wish to raise their children in the faith need the support of the parish community so that their children can come to know the love that God has for them through involvement in his Church. COVID had a very damaging impact on parish life and though we are getting back to life as it was before the pandemic, activities involving children and young people have been slower to resume. With the right safeguarding policies and practices in place, our parishes can be places where children, young people and vulnerable adults can be welcomed and invited to make their own contribution to the building of God's kingdom of love.

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.

St Elizabeth's Convent: Sisters from St Elizabeth's Convent in Belarus will be selling Icons and other devotional objects at the back of the Church after Mass next weekend in aid of their work with children and adults with special needs and their centre for people recovering from drug or alcohol addiction.

The Family Mass at Mount Argus: Our first monthly 11.00 am Special Family Mass of this school year will be on Sunday, 29 September. At this Mass we welcome the participation of the children and families of our parish community, especially those who will be receiving First Communion and Confirmation during this school year. If your child is preparing for First Communion or Confirmation and would like to read at one of these special Family Masses, please let us know.

Volunteers Evening: The annual celebration for our parish workers, ministers and volunteers will take place on Friday, 27 September. There will be a Prayer Service in the Church at 7.30 pm, followed by refreshments in the St Charles Centre. This is our way of saying Thank You for all the work that is graciously and willingly done by volunteers, ministers and parish workers in the service of God and on behalf of the whole Mount Argus parish and faith community. As this is the Golden Jubilee Year of Mount Argus Parish, we hope to be joined by past as well as present volunteers to celebrate fifty years of service at Mount Argus.

Mount Argus Parish Centre at 179 Lower Kimmage Road has reopened after the summer break. Check out our Art Class- Senior Bingo - Men's Group - Chair Yoga. For more information please call the Centre 01 4921225. Join us on Fridays - 10.30 am to 12.00 noon for tea /coffee and chat. The Art Class which is open to all - beginners and the more experienced - is on every Monday from 10.30 to 12.00. For more information drop in any Monday or call the Centre (01 4921225).

Relics of St Bernadette: On Wednesday, September 25, Archbishop Farrell will be at Our Lady of Victories, Ballymun Road to welcome the relics of St Bernadette to Dublin. A poster with details of the visit of St Bernadette's relics to Our Lady of Victories from September 25 to 27 is on the notice board.

Knock Pilgrimage: The Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday, 29 September. For travel and contact information, please see the poster on the notice board at the back of the church.

A Message for our Earth: Rathmines Parish invites you to a free screening of the highly acclaimed film "The Letter" already viewed by over 8.5 million people. This is a powerful and moving film from the award winning *Off The Fence Productions* (My Octopus Teacher) and director Nicholas Brown (Serengeti Rules). It shows the effects of climate change on the lives of 5 people from around the world, and how they are working to make a difference. It also tells the story of their journey to Rome following their acceptance of an invitation from Pope Francis to discuss the encyclical *Laudato Si'*. Where? Rathmines Parish Hall. When? 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm on Tuesday, 24 September. After the film there will be a reflection and Q&A facilitated by Jane Mellett of Trocaire and Anna Byrne DC of ECO-Congregation Ireland. Suitable for ages 12 upward.

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 €110.

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 – 22 September 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 €1,715 Crosscare Collection €2,550
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 poster at 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. A copy of the "Child Safeguarding in the Archdiocese of Dublin: Statement, Reporting Procedures and Good Practice Guidelines 2018" is available at the reception desk in the monastery.