

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES & THE EASTER TRIDUUM:

PARISH CHURCH:

MONDAY 2ND APRIL: Preparation for Confession. 7.30 p.m. A Redemptorist Priest will lead the Celebration and a number of Priests will be hearing confession.

MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY 2ND, 3RD, 4TH:

Masses in Parish Church: 8.30 a.m. 10 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. Morning Prayer at 8 a.m. (*No evening Mass on Monday 2nd at 7.30 p.m. due to Penitential Rite*)

WEDNESDAY 4TH: **Chrism Mass** in Cobh at 7.30 p.m. It is hoped that priests & people from every parish in the diocese attend this Mass.

All Eucharistic Ministers are asked to be present at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday to renew their commitment. They are asked to line up at the sanctuary steps during the Prayers of the Faithful.

Trocaire Boxes can be handed in at the Church Door on Holy Thursday & will be presented at the Offertory of the Mass.

HOLY THURSDAY:

MORNING PRAYER & BIBLE READING AT 10 A.M.

MASS AT 5 P.M.: This year's 1st Holy Communion classes will participate in this Mass.

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT 7.30 P.M.: followed by Procession to the Altar of Repose.

ADORATION OF THE LORD at the Altar of Repose until 12 Midnight.

CONDUCTED HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER: 11p.m. to 12 midnight.

The Perpetual Adoration closes on Wednesday at 7 p.m. & resumes again after the 12 noon Mass on Easter Sunday.

GOOD FRIDAY:

A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE (We are to abstain from eating meat & to fast in honour of the Lord's Suffering).

Good Friday: Morning Prayer & Bible reading at 10 a.m.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION & HOLY COMMUNION: 3 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 7.30 p.m.

The usual collection for the *Christian Shrines in the Holy Land* will be taken up. This is a worthy cause & deserves support.

The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday & finishes on 2nd Sunday of Easter, April 15th. Special ceremonies in the Church on the day at 2.30 p.m. (Novena leaflets available at the Churches)

HOLY SATURDAY:

Holy Saturday Morning: Morning Prayer & Bible reading at 10 a.m.

EASTER VIGIL MASS: 9 p.m. (candles will be provided) **Please note that there will be no 7.30 p.m. Mass on Holy Saturday Evening.**

CONFESSIONS:

Wed, Thur. & Fri.: 4th, 5th & 6th April 12.00 – 1.00 p.m.

Saturday: 7th April 12.00 – 1.00 p.m. & 6.30 – 7.30 p.m.

BALLYGIBLIN & KILLAULIG:

HOLY THURSDAY: MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: 7.30 p.m. Adoration till 9pm.

GOOD FRIDAY: Passion of the Lord & Holy Communion: 3 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 7.30 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY: EASTER VIGIL: 9 p.m.

EASTER OFFERINGS for the priests of the parish will be taken up on *Holy Saturday night & Easter Sunday morning.*

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HE WASHED THEIR FEET:

As we enter Holy Week and remember with devotion all that Jesus our Saviour has done to save us, let us renew our commitment to care for one another in our families and in our community.

A new Community Drugs worker has been appointed to work 18 hours a week in Mitchelstown, her name is Mary Mackessy. Like every other community, our young people are exposed to the risks and dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. There is a great need for education and support for individuals and for families when they are struggling to deal with the issues of drugs and alcohol. Many volunteers are working in our community to make Mitchelstown a safe place for our children and young people. But the community at large has a very important role in looking out for and caring for our young people at risk too.

A very tragic case in Killarney recently resulted in the death of two young teenagers and a third being jailed for three years. They were at risk with abuse of alcohol and drugs and suffered fatal consequences. It could happen in Mitchelstown or any town.

Our Gardai are working hard to protect vulnerable young people. Our Community Guard, John Hennessy is working hard to reach out and support the protection of our young. But we must all look out for one another and all activities that endanger our young people, which can lead to great tragedy for any family.

This Holy Week let us stand with Jesus and against all the forces of evil and destruction in our society. We must never leave down our guard, great people are working hard to make Mitchelstown a safe and happy place, let us all play our part, no matter how small our contribution, it could save a life. *Fr. Michael Fitzgerald P.P.*

LIAM LAWTON 20TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR

Church of Mary Conceived without Sin, Mitchelstown
Friday 18th May Doors open 7.30 p.m. – Concert 8.00 p.m.

Plus Special Guests – Bel Canto Choir

Tickets €20 available from The Favourite, Hylands Book Shop, Parish Office, Farrell's Centre

Garabandal Meeting:

THIS Sunday, April 1st in the Town Hall at 3.30 p.m. after the Stations of the Cross.

All are welcome.

CONFESSION TIMES:

MITCHELSTOWN: Saturday, Eves of Holydays:
12 - 1p.m. & 7p.m. - 7.30p.m.
1st Thursday of month: 12 - 1p.m. & 7p.m. - 7.30p.m.
NEW: After Saturday Evening Mass on the 1st Saturday of the month.

BALLYGIBLIN: 1st Friday 7p.m.
KILACLUIG: before 1st Friday Mass.

MASS TIMES:

CHURCH OF OUR LADY CONCEIVED WITHOUT SIN, MITCHELSTOWN:

Sat & Eve of Holyday: 7.30p.m.
Sunday & Holyday: 8.30am. 10.30am. 12noon & 7.30p.m.
1st Friday: 7.30p.m. - Weekday: 8.30a.m. & 10a.m.

Morning Prayer in Parish Church: Mon. to Fri. at 8a.m.

Rosary in Parish Church:

Mon. to Sat. at 9.45a.m. Before: 10a.m. Mass

Perpetual Adoration: Sunday 12.30p.m.
& Saturday 7p.m.

Eucharistic Healing Hour of Adoration:

Every Thursday night from 8p.m. to 9p.m.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, BALLYGIBLIN:

Sunday & Holyday: 9.30a.m. - 1st Friday: 7.30p.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, KILACLUIG:

Sunday & Holyday: 10.30a.m. - 1st Friday: 8.15p.m.

CLERGY:

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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS

12 NOON WEDNESDAY

Office Open:

10 am to 12 noon - Monday to Friday.

Parish Website:

www.mitchelstownparish.ie

Priest on Sick call this week is:

Canon O'Leary

Sick Call Contact

Phone Number:

087 - 2524979

EUCCHARISTIC HEALING

HOUR OF ADORATION:

Every Thursday night from

8 pm to 9 pm

PARISH OFFICE

Will be closed for Easter from Wednesday 4th April till Monday 16th April

All articles for the next two issues need to be in the parish office no later than 12 noon Tuesday 3rd April

Pharmacy Rota:

Murphy's Pharmacy

Will be open this Sunday, 1st April

11.30a.m. To 1.30p.m.

Art Exhibition by Br. Cahill

Part 2

Is currently taking place in the Library

All Welcome

Marymount Hospice Fundraising Dance

Saturday 7th April

At 9.30p.m.

In The Firgrove Hotel

Music by Eddie O'Gorman / Pacific Blue

€10

Spot Prizes on the night.

Your support would be greatly appreciated.

T.O.PARK

EASTER DOUBLE BINGO

Holy Thursday 5th April at 9.00 p.m.

Prizes on all pages doubled.

Books same price.

CARDS

Good Friday 6th April at 9.00 p.m.

TRACTOR RUN

Easter Monday 9th April at 11am

In Aid of Special Needs and Community Facilities at Park.

Mitchelstown

Community Council Ltd

A.G.M.

Tuesday 24th April - 8pm Sharp

Town Hall

All are welcome

Gardening Classes

Commencing in Ozanam Centre

Saturday 14th April

For further details please

contact Mary Ellen Kenneally

086 / 3893323

Mitchelstown Carmelite

Lourdes Group:

Would like to thank all who sponsored, supported and helped in any way, with their Bingo in the Town Hall on 20th February and also their Table Quiz in the Hunter's Rest on the 9th March.

They would like to thank also the Bel Canto Choir for their kind donation.

The Mitchelstown Carmelites are looking for "Blue Tie" helpers for Lourdes (Male/Female), anyone interested please forward their names to Paddy Seery, O'Farrell's Bar, Mitchelstown, (087) 9488359 by the 10th April.

MITCHELSTOWN LAWN

TENNIS CLUB

Easter Juniors Coaching

(5-13yr olds)

Starting Monday 2nd April

on our brand new courts

Contact Club Mobile 087 944738

for more details



Prayers and Sympathy

We offer our Prayers and sincere Sympathy to the families of those who died in our Parish recently.

John Conroy,
Bradford, Leeds, England

Formerly of 1 Captain Keane's Grove

May he Rest in Peace.

Names now being taken for

Eucharistic Congress:

Wednesday 13th June & Saturday 16th June.

It is a once in a lifetime event and we encourage you to come and to book your seat now by contacting the Parish Office (025) 84062 before Monday 23rd April.