

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, KILLAULIG:

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

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. **KILLAULIG:** before 1st Friday Mass.

CLERGY:

V. Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald P.P. Phone: 025-84090. V. Rev. Canon O'Leary C.C. V.F. Phone: 025-84088

Rev. Fr. Greene C.C. Phone: 025-84077.

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Office Open: 9 am to 12 noon – Monday to Friday. Parish Website: www.mitchelstownparish.ie

Sick Call Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

We would like to thank you for your support during our recent sale. We are now restocked and have a great variety of clothes, Bric a Brac, furniture and books. At present we have a selection of third level books, that we are assured are still current and may be of value to you if you or someone you know is in third level. As always we are appealing for any donations you may have, of any of the above mentioned. We are also looking for volunteers so if you or someone you know has a couple of hours to spare each week we would be delighted to hear from you. Thank you for your continued support. *Sue Ryder Foundation.*

MITCHELSTOWN LAWN TENNIS CLUB

MEMBERSHIP FEES - AUTUMN SPECIAL OFFER

For the remainder of 2013 - Family €35, Adult €25 & Junior/Student €10.

Fees can be paid to Liam Kent in 2Shoes

Or contact club mobile on 087 9447387.

D'hillbillies Barn Dance – Authentic Barn Dance on Gortnahown Farm near exit 13 (Near Glocca Maura)

September 7th – Gates open @ 9pm. BBQ & Full Bar - €10

Music by The Waxies & Disco. Line Dancing Exhibition & Prize for best dressed cowboy & cowgirl.

Proceeds to Partners in Learning & Local Charities

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

Volume: 5 Issue: 14 Date: Sunday 1st September 2013

Cope Resident Dies:

One of the longest residents of Mitchelstown Cope Centre died in the past week. Con Murphy came to Mitchelstown Cope Centre in 1991. For the first 35 years of his life Con was cared for by his parents in Coachford. Both Cons' parents died in 1990 and he was left in the care of his only brother John, who lives in Castlelyons. When Con came to reside in Mitchelstown Cope, his brother John, sister-in-law Kate and niece Claire continued to lavish Con with the same love given by his parents. John and Kate have been wonderful supporters of Mitchelstown Cope Centre.

At Con's funeral his brother John spoke touching words of appreciation to all who made Con's life so happy and fulfilled at Mitchelstown Cope Centre. Con's passing is an opportunity to thank all the volunteers and benefactors of Mitchelstown Cope. It is a fabulous centre and the staff there, are absolutely fantastic.

At the moment a volunteer committee is building a Sensory Garden adjacent to the centre, again the selfless giving of so many people is an inspiration. Con will be greatly missed by the staff and residents. Con spoke very little, but he had a wonderful smile and very curious nature, which endeared him to all who knew him. The comment of many people at his funeral was that while Con may have been limited in his ability, he brought out the best in all who knew and cared for him.

The Cope Foundation developed from what was once known as Cork Polio. They give fantastic support to young men and women with special needs and to their families. Like all organisations of care today, they need the support of the community and they are a most worthy cause.

The funeral Mass of Con ended with the beautiful song of Phil Coulter: "Scorn not his simplicity, but love him all the more". At the end of the prayers at the graveside the staff and residents sang Con's favourite song: "The Banks of my own lovely Lee".

MAY HE REST IN PEACE.

Extra Readers Needed: Extra Readers for the **Sunday 10.30am and 12 noon Masses** in the Parish Church are needed. We encourage you to come forward and put your name on the rota for readers. It is a great privilege to serve in Church and to proclaim Gods Word. All age groups are welcome and an opportunity to train and prepare will be given. Contact Catherine at 086 – 3369377 or the Parish Office.

Annual St. Vincent de Paul Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Will take place on Saturday 14th September 2013.

Adults €15.00 Children €7.00

The bus will leave the Mart at 7.30am.

Names to Ozanam Resource Centre 025 84733 or to any member of the Conference.

Catholic Grandparents Association: Are holding their Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine, Knock

On Sunday, 8th September 2013. Ceremonies commence at 2.30pm

Barnardos Ireland's leading children's charity is recruiting for Volunteer Coordinators and Volunteer Collectors for their National Collection Day taking place on **Friday, 25th October 2013** in the following Tesco Stores in Co Cork - Douglas, Mahon, Mallow, Middleton, Mitchelstown, Wilton and Paul Street, Cork City. The role of the Volunteer Coordinator is to take overall responsibility for the Flag Day collection in one of the Tesco Stores (in liaison with Barnardos Volunteer Support & Community Engagement Service). The role of the Volunteer Collector is to collect money at one of the Tesco Stores during an agreed 2½ hour time slot. If interested in either role please contact Suzanne on 01-7080431 or email volunteers@barnardos.ie for more information.

Ballygiblin gathering June 2013: Ballygiblin gathering DVD covering all the events in June now available from Úna Fitzgerald at Flowers by Úna and Pat O'Sullivan Cycles, Mitchelstown. Cost €15. It's a memorable present for those at home or abroad. If you have any queries contact Noelle Luddy 087-8158902.

MITCHELSTOWN LIBRARY:

'Calling all artists, performers and creators. Culture Night 2013 is almost upon us. (September, 20th 2013). If you are interested in participating or know anyone who would be interested please contact us in Mitchelstown Library on 025 41939 or mitchelstown.library@corkcoco.ie'

PLAY GROUP SPECIAL AT BRIGHT SPARKS CHILDCARE CENTRE

Age 2½ years upwards. Available from MONDAY to FRIDAY 9am to 12 noon
Healthy Snack included. €65 per week. A Fun filled learning environment for your child, where all needs are fulfilled. During class each morning we work on the Holistic Development of the child, through fun and experiences. We work together to ensure your child becomes an independent learner.

For more details / bookings 025-86799 or text 086-2653839.

Ozanam Computer Centre

Intermediate Computers commencing Monday night 9th September

Beginners Typing commencing Thursday night 26th September

For a full list of our courses, visit our website www.ozanamcomputers.com

Or phone the office 025 84733

Mitchelstown Musical Society would like to thank all those who contributed to their Church Gate Collection during the weekend of 17th & 18th August. Your support is very much appreciated.

GATHERING - HOW TO BUILD YOUR FAMILY TREE

DO YOU KNOW YOUR GREAT GRANDFATHER?

Find out and seek guidance at Glenroe Gathering in Glenroe Hall Saturday next at 2pm-5pm.

A WORKSHOP will be conducted at MITCHELSTOWN LIBRARY

Saturday September 28th at 10 am

Grave inscriptions are available on line. Have you a cousin a celeb, convict like Ned Kelly or a rich auntie. Maybe you may be heir to property of long lost cousin. Do you know what's a cousin once removed? Check out about 1901/1911 census, Griffith Valuation 1850 e

TAILORED SHORT DIY COURSES AVAILABLE AT SHAMROCK CLAN SEARCH

Contact 087.3589734

List of courses being offered in Mitchelstown by Ballyhoura Development

These courses are open to anyone to attend. If anyone is interested in booking a place or further information please contact Ballyhoura Development Ltd, Baldwin St, Mitchelstown, Co Cork Tel: 025-85213. More to following in coming weeks.

CV WORKSHOP: Does your CV need a makeover? Do you need help writing a Cover Letter? If so, why not book in to one of our upcoming CV Workshops taking place throughout the Ballyhoura Country area,

Date: Tuesday Sept 3rd Cost: Free

BASIC COMPUTER: This will run again in the community house computer room depending on numbers signed up, this is a beginner's course.

Dates: will be a one morning a week for 10 weeks starting Sept 2nd 10am-12

Cost: Free Location: Mitchelstown

LIFE COACHING COURSE: This is a 10 week course, one session per week (2 Hours per session) with the option of progressing onto the next level. Level one will take place in winter 2013, this course is delivered by a Life coach and supports individuals to identify possible paths and support them to achieve what they want from life

- Level 1: Support participants to develop a sense of "self", identifying the positives in their lives and develop life skills. (There are three levels in total) Topics covered :Introduction to the Programme, A Sense of Self, Self Image, Self Esteem, Positive Self-Thought, Assertiveness, Practical Assertiveness, Stress, Managing Stress, Taking Care of Health

Dates: 24th September 7.30pm, every Tuesday for 10 weeks

Cost: €20 per person Location: Mitchelstown

GARDENING: Gardening course- All materials and plants will be included as part of the course. The course will be tailored for the participants needs covering fruit plants, preparing beds, perennials, planting bulbs.

Dates: One Friday morning a week for 4 weeks commencing 20th September 10am-12 noon

Cost: €10 per person Location: Mitchelstown

CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN WORKSHOPS: This is a Halloween themed children's camp aimed at 6-13 year old children

Dates: Friday Evenings: Friday 7th September, Friday 4th October, Friday 11th October (4-6pm 5yrs-8yrs Old) (6-8pm 9yrs-13yrs Old)

Saturdays: Saturday 12th October, Saturday 19th October, Saturday 26th October, Thursday 31st October. 5yrs-8yrs Old 10am—1.00pm. 9yrs-13yrs Old 1.30pm-3.30pm

Thursday 31st October (4-5pm 5yrs-8yrs Old) (5-6pm 9yrs-13yrs Old)

Cost: €8 per person/ €2 per session (reduced rate available for families with more than one child attending). Location: Mitchelstown