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**Canon Fitzgerald is on Sick Call this week;
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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 10AM WEDNESDAY

Office Open: 9 am to 12 noon – Monday to Friday.

Parish Website: www.mitchelstownparish.ie

E-mail address for Parish Pastoral Council is

- **Monday – Bank Holiday:** Morning Mass at 11.00am only
- **Collection for Maintenance of Adjoining Cemetery:** This important collection helps the Parish maintain the Cemetery and will be taken up at all Masses **next Sunday**. We would appreciate your generous support.
- **Annual Mass at Cahir Hill Grotto:** Will take place at the Grotto on **Monday week, August 13th at 7.30pm**. All welcome.

Church of Our Lady Conceived Without Sin, Mitchelstown:

MASS TIMES: Saturday & Eve of Holy Day: 7.30pm
Sunday & Holy Day: 8.30am, 11.30am & 7.30pm.
Weekdays: 8.30am & 10.00am

FIRST FRIDAYS: 8.30am, 10.00am & 7.30pm.

Bank Holidays: 11am

MORNING PRAYER: Monday – Friday: 8.00am

ROSARY: Monday – Saturday: 9.45am

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 12.00-1.00pm & 7.00-7.30pm
Eve of First Fridays & Eve of Holy Days: 12.00-1.00pm & 7.00-7.30pm

We encourage families to practice monthly Confession

DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS: Friday at **3.00pm**. All welcome.

EUCHARISTIC HEALING HOUR: Thursday evening at **8.00pm – 9.00pm** with prayers for Pope Francis, the World Meeting of Families and Eucharistic Healing Blessing.

Church of the Holy Family, Ballygiblin

MASS TIMES: Sunday & Holy Day: **9.30am**. First Friday: **7.30pm**.

CONFESSIONS: First Friday: **7.00pm**.

St. Joseph's Church, Killacluig

MASS TIMES: Sunday & Holy Day: **10.30am**. First Friday: **6.30pm**.

CONFESSIONS: First Friday: **6.00pm**.

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“Grandparents are a treasure” – Pope Francis. In recognition of the great contribution that grandparents make to the Church, to family, and to society in teaching and passing on the faith Mitchelstown Parish Pastoral Council have organised that the 11.30am Mass in the Parish Church, Mitchelstown on Sunday 9th September will be a celebration for grandparents and families.

We invite grandparents and grandchildren to participate in the Mass. Please give you names to the Parish office before the 17th August if you would like to take part in the Mass for example in the procession of symbols, readings, prayer of the faithful and reflection.

As part of the celebration, we would like to do a collage of pictures of living and deceased grandparents and also families in the Church. Please submit photos to the parish office or to any member of the Parish Pastoral Council.

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons: The Diocese has a Safeguarding Committee made up of lay people and priests to ensure that the Standards of the Safeguarding Children Policy are met and applied in Parishes in the Diocese. The Procedures are there to ensure that the Policy is followed, they can be found on the website www.safeguardingchildrencloyne.ie. This website contains the Procedures and forms that need to be completed in working with children. The Policy Document for Vulnerable Persons is available on www.cloynediocese.ie and the forms needed are those in the Safeguarding Children forms.

The Committee seeks new members to the Committee. The members are voluntary, however they do receive travelling expenses and costs for training is borne by the Diocese.

New Members required to have a background and or interest in Safeguarding Children or Safeguarding Vulnerable Persons:

- seeking person with IT and secretarial skills;
- seeking persons who have a background, experience in social services;
- seeking person who works or worked with vulnerable adults;
- seeking person who worked with children / young people.

If interested Contact Diocesan Secretary 021-4811430, for application form.

Contact numbers:

Cloyne Diocesan Safeguarding Committee 022-21009 087-2277274 Email - safeguardingchildrenoffice@cloynediocese.ie

Website: www.safeguardingchildrencloyne.ie

Designated Liaison Person(s) (DLP). 086 0368999 Email - dlp@cloynediocese.ie

Diocesan Secretary - Fr. Jim Moore - 021 4811430: Email - info@cloynediocese.ie

Latest News from WMOF18 Information for those traveling to the Phoenix Park on Sunday 26th August. *Transport:* Public transport and coaches will be given priority and will bring you closest to Phoenix Park. It will not be possible to drive up to or near to the Phoenix Park by car. For further traffic information log on to - www.gov.ie/popeinireland. *Seating:* It is not feasible to have seating for 500,000 people, therefore you are strongly advised to bring some form of portable seating. *Facilities:* Designated rest zones, food and drinks stations, medical facilities, as well as toilets and baby changing facilities, are all at the venue, gates and transport hubs. There will also be volunteers throughout the venue and special facilities for people with accessibility issues and their careers.

WMOF18 Opening Ceremony: We will join with every Diocese in Ireland, when we host an **Evening Prayer Ceremony to mark the opening of the World Meeting of Families. On Tuesday 21st August, At 7.30pm, St Colman's Cathedral, Cogh** Presider - Most Rev. Bishop William Crean Featuring the Cloyne Diocesan Choir Each Parish in the Diocese is asked to ring their Church Bell at 7.30pm. Refreshments served following the ceremony.

Mass for Healing of Families, in the Church of the Assumption, Ballylanders, on Tuesday, August 7th, at 8pm. Celebrant: Fr. Brendan Walsh SAC Pallottines, Thurles.
Hymns of Praise & Worship. Mass for Healing of Families and Ancestral Tree
Eucharistic Blessing & Prayers for Healing. Enquiries: Mary 087-7873743.
All Welcome.

Mitchelstown Citizens Information Centre, Marian Hall, Convent Hill, Mitchelstown Will be closed from 6th to 10th August inclusive and will re-open on Monday 13th August usual hours.

Tel: **0761 07 8030** E-mail: Mitchelstown@citinfo.ie
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock 14-22 August

Ceremonies: 3pm & 8.30pm **Daily Workshops:** 12 noon & 6pm Daily
This year will be the 41st celebration of the Novena, and such an important year as we prepare the way for the visit of His Holiness Pope Francis to the Shrine as part of the World Meeting of Families <<https://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/>> in Dublin. The theme for this year's Novena is 'Faith & Family', and will draw from the key topics and themes related to Family from Pope Francis' teachings in The Joy of Love (Amoris Laetitia). See the full programme of Novena speakers at www.knockshrine.ie/events <<http://www.knockshrine.ie/events>>

Galtee Runners with Kerrygold Park are proud to present our **9th Annual GR8 8km Road Run!** Our HQ for this year's GR8 will once again be Mitchelstown Leisure Centre and registration will begin here at 5:30pm on **Friday 10th August**. Entry for the run is just €10 with all category prizes on offer and all entrants will be chip timed. The race itself will begin at 7:30pm SHARP! All levels of ability are welcome and we hope to see as many numbers out as possible.

The **Annual Padre Pio Ceremonies** commemorating the most wonderful day in his life, his Ordination to the Priesthood on August 10th 1910 will be celebrated in the **CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK at 2.30pm on Sunday, 12th August**. The Mass will be concelebrated by the Rev. Canon Michael Fitzgerald with visiting and resident priests. The Religious Ceremonies will include: Recitation of the Holy Rosary, Concelebrated Mass, Anointing of the Sick, Benediction, Blessing of the Sick and Blessing with St. Pio First Class Relics. Confessions are also being heard on the day. Everyone is invited to participate in the Ceremonies.

FAITH CAMP – LOST & FOUND:

A number of items were left in the Town Hall after the Faith Camp. Any lost items - please contact Catherine Hanley (087) 7727496.

Altar Serving: In September we begin the training of new Altar Servers for Mitchelstown, Ballygiblin and Killalduig. A number of boys and girls have already made their applications. We invite other boys and girls going into 4th Class in September and upwards from the National Schools to consider becoming Altar Servers. Application forms and child safeguarding requirements to be filled in before practice. Anyone who would like to serve, please contact Catherine on 087 7727496 or one of the priests as soon as possible.

It is a great privilege to assist the priest in the offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Sacrifice of the love of Jesus for the whole of humanity, by which our sins are forgiven. The presence of Altar Servers at Mass greatly helps the priest and adds solemnity to the actions taking place on the Altar. We are grateful to all our present servers for their dedication and we look forward to preparing the new applicants.

The Large Pilgrim Statue of St Michael the Archangel will visit the **Church Of Our Lady Conceived Without Sin, Mitchelstown** on **Thursday 6th September 2018**, accompanied by Fr. Peter Prusakiewicz CSMA, Poland. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm. Homily by Fr. Peter will be on St Michael and St Faustina. After Holy Mass, there will be a further talk on The Knighthood including the value of the Scapular. Following the talk, there will be an official enrolment of the Knighthood of St Michael, blessing of the scapular of St Michael and Veneration of the first class relic of St Faustina. All are Welcome.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

The sympathy of the Parish Community is extended to the family and friends of –
Mary Walsh (*née Carroll*), Church Street
Who died recently. *May She Rest In Peace*

NEWLY BAPTISED:

We welcome into our Catholic Community, through the Sacrament of Baptism:
Setanta Ryan. Róisín O'Neill. Luke Thornton