

## ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Meetings held in  
**Marian Hall, Convent Hill,  
Mitchelstown**  
**EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT**  
**AT 8.45 P.M.**  
&  
**EVERY SUNDAY MORNING**  
**11.30 A.M. TO 12.30 P.M.**

**Mallow Adult Learning Centre**  
For help with Reading, Writing and  
Spelling. Contact: Mallow Adult  
Learning Centre,  
Top Floor, Parish Centre, Mallow.  
Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Or Telephone (022) 42642  
This service is  
FREE and CONFIDENTIAL and on a  
one to one basis.

### PARISH RADIO:

The Parish Radio has brought  
a great connection to the sick  
and the housebound of the  
parish and beyond with  
access to Masses and other  
ceremonies celebrated in our  
local Parish Church.

**There are a number of Radio  
Receivers available in the  
Parish Office.**

If you know someone it might  
benefit, you may like to let  
them know.

### THE CATHOLIC UNATTACHED DIRECTORY:

***Are you an unattached catholic seeking  
new friends or perhaps looking for  
someone special?***

Why not join the Catholic Unattached  
Directory? All new members are given an  
unconditional 30-day money back  
guarantee if not completely satisfied.

For free information pack ring Dublin (01)  
**2837888** or write to; **The Catholic  
Unattached Directory, 10 Lower Abbey  
Street, FREEPOST (F2046), Dublin 1,**

Or visit their web pages at:  
**www.catud.com**

### **Mitchelstown Citizens Information Centre**

Marian Hall, Convent Hill,  
Mitchelstown  
Tel: **025 / 84600**  
E-mail: **Mitchelstown@citinfo.ie**

#### New Opening Times:

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:**  
**10 a.m. to 12 noon**  
**Thursday 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.**  
**Friday 7.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

### **IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION**

Did you know the Irish Wheelchair  
Association provide a Motoring  
Assessment, Advice & Tuition Service  
for people with any type of Mobility  
Difficulty? This service is part funded by  
the HSE. For further information  
contact:

Any **Irish Wheelchair Association  
Office** or **Phone (021) 4350282** or see  
**www.iwa.ie**

## MITCHELSTOWN PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

### Reminder:

Let us not forget the Pastoral letter of Pope Benedict last March. Because of the sin that had crept into the church, particularly clerical child abuse, Pope Benedict requested the following from Irish Catholics:

1. Devote Friday penances for one year until Easter 2011.
2. Offer up fasting, prayer, scripture reading and words of mercy in order to obtain the grace of healing and renewal of the Church in Ireland.
3. Discover anew the Sacrament of Reconciliation and each of us to avail more frequently of the transforming power of its grace.
4. Specific attention to be given to Eucharistic Adoration in ever Church & Diocese of Ireland.

In conclusion Pope Benedict said, "Through intense prayer before the real presence of the Lord, you can make reparation for the sins of abuse that have done so much harm, at the same time imploring the grace of renewed strength and a deeper sense of mission on the part of all bishops, priests, religious and lay faithful. I am confident that this programme will lead to a rebirth of the Church in Ireland in the fullness of God's own truth, for it is the truth that sets us free (John 8:32)."

It is important for all of us to put into action what the Holy Father recommends.

*Fr. Michael*

### INDEPENDENCE:

Congratulations to all who organised the very successful music and arts festival last weekend. It was praised as safe and enjoyable for everyone.

### VIGILANCE:

When I was in Medjugorje two weeks ago, a young man from the midlands shared with me the devastation caused in his locality by the use of drugs, particularly heroin. There had been many tragic deaths in recent weeks. For many years there was very little heroin in Cork city – but now it is becoming a serious problem. We must be vigilant and protect our children and our community from the scourge of illegal drugs. Nor must we allow our community to become a drop off point for this destructive dealing. All such activity should be immediately reported to the Gardai. It is Satan who leads vulnerable young people on the path of these temporary pleasures and then destroys them. The best path for every young person is the path of Jesus, for He gives true Peace and Happiness.

*Fr. Michael*

**CLERGY:**

Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald P.P.  
Phone: 025-84090  
Canon O'Leary  
Phone: 025-84088  
Fr. Greene  
Phone: 025-84077  
Parish Office: 025-84062

**Priest on Sick call this week is:**

**Fr. Fitzgerald P.P.**  
*Sick Call Contact*  
**Phone Number:**  
**087 - 2524979**

***Prayers and Sympathy:***

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

Seán Ryan,  
Ryan's Shoe Shop,  
Lower Cork Street.  
**May he Rest in Peace.**

**EUCCHARISTIC HEALING HOUR OF ADORATION:**

Every  
Thursday night from  
8 pm to 9 pm



**CONFESSION TIMES:**

**Mitchelstown:** Sat, Eves of Holydays & Eves of 1<sup>st</sup> Fridays.  
12 noon to 1pm & 7pm to 7.30pm  
**Ballygiblin:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 7 p.m.  
**Kilaculg:** before 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Mass.

**MASS TIMES:**

**CHURCH OF OUR LADY CONCEIVED WITHOUT SIN, MITCHELSTOWN:**

Sat & Eve of Holyday: 7.30pm  
Sunday & Holyday: 8.30am 10.30am 12 noon & 7.30pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday: 7.30pm - Weekday: 8.30 a.m. & 10 a.m.

**Morning Prayer in Parish Church:** Mon. to Fri. at 8am

**Rosary in Parish Church:**

Mon. to Sat. at 9.45am Before: 10am Mass

**Perpetual Adoration:** Sunday 12.30pm & Saturday 7.00pm

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, BALLYGIBLIN:**

Sunday & Holyday: 9.30am - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday: 7.30pm

**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, KILLACULIG:**

Sunday & Holyday: 10.30am - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday: 8.15pm

**BURREN OUTDOOR RETREAT.**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> TO 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER.**

Would you like to come with us on a journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of this place renew you in body and soul. Residential (people within easy reach may commute).

Contact Mary at (065) 6839530  
Or Noirin at (087) 9459151.

**AROMA is organising a STREET CLEAN**

**For MONDAY NIGHT 9<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

**Meet outside Clongibbon House**

**At 7.30pm.**

**Please join in.**

**MONTHS MIND MASS**  
**FOR BREA COLEMAN (BALLYARTHUR)**  
**TO BE HELD IN T.O. PARK**  
**ON SATURDAY AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup> AT 8PM**  
**EVERYBODY WELCOME.**

**MITCHELSTOWN JUNEVNILE G.A.A. CLUB**



*Are holding their*

**ANNUAL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION**

*This Weekend*



**The blessing of a child is forever.**

**My Little Man**

I came in from work, my little man met me at the door.

Keep in mind, I'm up there in age and he is only four.

This morning I sat and listened to him laugh in his sleep.

I'm so proud, my joy often makes me weep.

I'm thankful the Lord sent him to me. He is the root of my family tree.

Cartoons and storybooks fill up our day.

Come on mom I want you to play. There are days he seems to be in full throttle.

Wish I could get his energy from a bottle.

Don't get me wrong, there are times he can be a pain.

That's when I feel he's driving me insane.

He amazes me each and every-day. With his actions and cute little things I hear him say.

He and I are a part of the Lord's divine plan.

Thank you Lord for blessing me with my little man.

**ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY**

Meeting this

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August**

**At 7 p.m.**

**In Marian Hall, Convent Hill.**

*New Members always welcome.*

**MITCHELSTOWN MACRA**

Looking to join Macra? Why not come join us. If you are in Cork, Limerick or Tipperary and in the Mitchelstown area we are the club for you!!!

Thank You to all who attended and supported our AGM on Friday night. It was very successful and we wish the committee for 2010-11 all the best.

Well done to our 3 new representatives on the Avonduhu Regional Committee.

Best of luck to you all.

Macra is a club for young people aged between 17 and 35. It has a range of activities including soccer, basketball, singing, drama and question time. If you have an interest in joining, please contact us on 087-1485999 or see our profile on [www.facebook.com/MitchelstownMacra](http://www.facebook.com/MitchelstownMacra)

We look forward to hearing from you.