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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 11AM WEDNESDAY

Newly ordained Fr. John Magner: will be Main Celebrant at the **11.30am Mass next Sunday**. Fr. John will give his blessing individually after the Mass.
Peter's Pence Collection: This collection, distributed by the Pope, for needs throughout the world, will be taken up at all Masses **next Sunday**.

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
First Thursday: 12.00-1.00pm & 7.00-7.30pm

We encourage families to practice monthly Confession

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

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.**

TAX REFUND FORMS: a reminder to return signed forms as soon as possible. The Parish will lose the money reclaim without the form.

Eucharistic Adorers needed: Especially during holiday time. Please contact Nora 025-24149 or Catherine 087-7727496

Mass in honour of Our Lady of Fatima July 13th—Mass and Procession: To celebrate the Centenary of the Fatima Apparitions, there will be Mass in the Parish Church on **Thursday, July 13th at 7.30pm**, followed by a candlelight procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This event will take the place of the Eucharistic Healing Hour. St. Jacinta and St. Francesco pray for us.

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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Fr. John Magner: Fr. John Magner was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Cloyne on Sunday, June 25th in St. Coleman's Cathedral Cobh. Most Rev. William Crean was the main Celebrant and many Priests concelebrated and assisted. Fr. John's two daughters, Emily and Gemma assisted their dad during the ceremony in the putting on of his vestments. Both his daughters are gifted and talented singers and sang solo with the Cathedral choir. Fr. John's wife Maria died in 2005 and following her death John felt called to the priesthood. Despite his advanced age, Fr. John returned to study and with great courage and perseverance, reached ordination on June 25th last. Fr. John celebrated his first Mass on Monday evening, June 26th in Whitechurch, in the parish of Blarney. In his first homily, he spoke about Jesus calming the storm on the lake. He explained that we may sometimes complain to God about our sufferings and trials. He said God doesn't always relieve us of our sufferings, but faith teaches us that He is always with us and that we need to persevere.

Throughout the past year Fr. John ministered us here in the Parish and assisted at Masses and Baptisms in Killacluig, Ballygiblin and Mitchelstown Churches. **On Sunday next, July 16th, Fr. John will be principal celebrant of the 11.30am Mass in Mitchelstown Parish Church.** Following the celebration of Mass he will offer individual blessing. He would like to offer Mass in all three churches, but as he is taking up his 1st appointment as Curate in Kanturk Parish at the end of the month, that is not possible for him. We welcome you all to join Fr. John in the Mass. We congratulate him and we accompany him with our prayers in his new appointment.

3rd Fatima Centenary Celebration: On Thursday evening next, July 13th Mass followed by procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in honour of Our Lady of Fatima, will take place in the Parish Church **at 7.30pm**. This event will take the place of the Eucharistic Healing Hour and will be at the earlier time. This year marks the centenary of the Fatima events (1917-2017) and the two previous celebrations have been enjoyed greatly. We invite you all to participate next Thursday evening. On July 13th 1917 Our Lady appeared to the three children in Fatima, Portugal, Lucia, Francesco and Jacinta. She expressed a need to pray and make sacrifice for sinners, without it many souls would go to Hell. She showed the children a vision of Hell. Lucia said only that they were seeing Our Lady at the same time, they couldn't have endured it, it was so horrible. Our Lady called for repentance and conversion, without it, she said there would be no peace and another way would come. She spoke to them about Russia spreading error and the suffering and persecution of the Pope and the Church. She also prophesied that in the end Her Immaculate Heart would triumph and a period of peace given to the world.

As we pray for that triumph, 100 years later, our world is still very distressed. Please do come on Thursday evening and help hasten the Day of the Peace promised by Our Lady.

Fake News & the 8th Amendment: 80,000 people of all ages marched through Dublin last Saturday, calling on the Irish people to protect life and the 8th Amendment to our Constitution, which guarantees in our laws the protection of mothers and their unborn children. There is a huge agenda to deceive the Irish people to remove the 8th Amendment at a proposed referendum next year. Last Saturday was the real citizen's assembly and not the joke of the 100 people who were supposed to represent the Irish People. Beware of fake news in this matter and don't be deceived or misled. We want life to be protected in our hospitals. CUMH is a place to protect life, let's not allow it to become a place of death and destruction of life. Let's stand up for life and don't be fooled by fake news.

St. Teresa & Holy Water: St. Teresa of Avila is one of the greatest saints in the history of the Church. A 16th century nun, mystic, and Doctor of the Church, you may have seen her famous quote about the power of holy water before: **"From long experience I have learned that there is nothing like holy water to put devils to flight."**What isn't as well-known are **the experiences that led her to that conclusion**, which she describes in her autobiography.

In Chapter 31, she tells of a time that she was harassed by a demon: "Out of his body there seemed to be coming a great flame, which was intensely bright and cast no shadow. He told me in a horrible way that I had indeed escaped out of his hands but he would get hold of me still." Frightened, she tried to shoo him away with the Sign of the Cross. The demon left her, but soon returned. This happened several times, until she noticed she had some holy water nearby. **"So I flung some in the direction of the apparition,"** she wrote, **"and it never came back."**

Cemetery Mass: The Mitchelstown Community Council have arranged, with the support of Dairygold Management, to have the Annual Mass for the dead in Town, this year in the location of the cemetery where the **Old Workhouse was on Clonmel Road on Tuesday, July 25th at 7.30pm.**

We are grateful to Dairygold for facilitating the Parish to remember in a special way the dead who are buried in this location. This Mass will take the place this year of the Mass we usually celebrate in Brigown or the Adjoining Cemetery. But, of course, we will be remembering all who are buried throughout the Parish and in other Cemeteries. We thank the Community Council for arranging the Mass and especially for giving recognition to this Cemetery and the dead buried there. May the Lord be merciful to them all.

St Thérèse – The Little Flower” Summer Faith Camp: What is a Faith Camp? It is a four day gathering of children aged 6-13, boys and girls, to learn more about our Catholic Faith. It is done through stories, games, music, art and prayer. It is guided by Fr. Patrick Cahill and his Community and a group of parents and a large number of youth volunteers. All are vetted to work with children. It is a joyful event of happiness, love and peace. We are grateful to Fr. Patrick and the organisers, for providing the Camp here in Mitchelstown. Over the years it has helped many, many children to discover the joy of faith. Up to 100 children are expected to attend again this year. It is an opportunity not to be missed. The Camp will be held in Mitchelstown Town Hall, July 17th – 20th. Contact Martha Kent 086-2417586 to book a place.

Retirement Social Club, Mitchelstown Outing to Cobh. Wednesday, 16th August. Guided Tour of Titanic Way, also Spike Island. Dinner at Vienna Woods. Leaving the Mart, Georges Street at 10.30am sharp. All for €60, including Bus, Tour and Dinner. Book your seat with Diane at 087-1478030

Legion of Mary Meeting every Tuesday night at 6.30pm in Marian Hall, Convent Hill. New members always welcome.

Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine in honour of Matt Talbot, Sunday, 16th July. The Chief Celebrant will be Most Rev. Michael Neary, Archbishop of Tuam. A bus will leave Fermoy at 7.00am, with stops in Ballyhooly, Castletownroche, Doneraile, Buttevant, Ballyhea and Charleville. Bus is expected back in Fermoy at about 10.30pm. Cost is €55, which includes full breakfast on the way up and full evening meal on the way home. Bookings contact Mary on 086 0898191, Catherine at 025-31519, Julia at 086-1970043 or Emer at 086-8459439. Anybody from outside of these areas, please contact the co-ordinators to arrange pickup points.

Word of God Outreach (Waterford / S.E. Region Charismatic Renewal) invites you to **A JUBILEE FESTIVAL OF PRAISE – Sunday July 16th from 2pm to 6pm, at the Edmund Rice Centre, Waterford.** *Prayer, *Praise, *Scripture, *Sharing, *Prayer Ministry, *Join in the Holy Spirit. All Welcome. Contact Síle 086-8590394 or Mossy 087-2136812.

Get your Summer Holiday Reading at the Ozanam Shop, Thomas Street, Mitchelstown, 025 84733. Fiction €2; Non-Fiction €1; Children's Books 50c. Opening Hours: Mon – Fri: 10am–1pm & 2pm–4.45pm, Sat: 10am-1pm. All proceeds go to your local Society of St. Vincent de Paul

THANK YOU! A very successful Coffee Morning was held recently at the home of Mary & Joe Dold, 35 Carraigroe, Mitchelstown in aid of Liam's Lifts, **€2,138.10** was raised. We would like to thank everyone for their generous support.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

The sympathy of the Parish Community is extended to the family and friends of –

Tom O'Brien, 20 St. Fanahan's Place

Ellen (Nellie) Crowley (née Mullins), formerly Mitchelstown

Who died recently. *May They Rest In Peace*

NEWLY BAPTISED:

We welcome into our Catholic Community, through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Hazel Stack. Rihanna Rygollo