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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 10AM WEDNESDAY

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

● **Fixed Times for Baptisms:** As and from October 1st, Baptisms in the **Parish Church** will take place on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 4.00pm. Baptisms can also be celebrated on Sundays during 11.30am Mass. Baptisms in **Ballygiblin** on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 4.00pm. Baptisms in **Killacluig** on the 4th Saturday of each month at 4.00pm. We would be grateful to families to make their arrangements around these times. A months’ notice must be given to the Priests or Parish Office when booking.

● **Feastday:** Friday is the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross. Saturday is the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.

● **Collection for Seminarians and Permanent Deacons:** will be taken up at all Masses **next** weekend.

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 special reflections on St. Pio, Eucharistic Healing Blessing and blessing with Relic of St. Pio.

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**.

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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Reflection of Bishop William Crean on the Visit of Pope Francis: It was wonderful to have Pope Francis among us. By his presence we were put in touch with a man of exceptional faith, courage and humility. We witnessed his sense of joy and celebration with the “family of families” that is the Church. On the other hand, we witnessed also his contribution and sorrow for the survivors of abuse. He showed his openness to further practical actions that will ensure accountability for failure of those in leadership. Though his visit was brief in term of time, it was deep in terms of impact. He left us with a renewed sense of blessings of our Christian faith, while knowing the continuing need for repentance and renewal. We continue to keep him and his ministry to the world in our prayers.

Great Opportunities To Know & Experience Faith Better:

1: A number of meetings called Alpha, every Wednesday in Town Hall, starting on Wednesday September 19th at 8.00pm. Video presentations of faith-life in Jesus Christ. Please contact Parish Office at 025-84062.

2: **COURAGE:** Christ has been sent to help you. **OPEN** the door of your heart. Come and listen to a good news for your life. Monday and Friday at 8.00pm Mitchelstown Town Hall. Starting on Monday October 1st at 8.00pm.

1. (a) The Parish Faith Community, cordially **welcomes** any person or persons residing in this Parish, who is interested in becoming a **Full member of the Catholic Church**.

To further **your** interest, you are invited to do the following;

- (i) Contact the Parish Office or the Parish Priest.
- (ii) Give your name, address, contact number.

Note: It is **important** that you make the contact during the **month of September** or at the latest the **first week in October**.

This will facilitate the Parish Priest making contact with the Diocesan R.C.I.A. team who will be very happy to share faith with you in your faith exploration initiation.

2. (b) In the wake of Pope Francis’ visit this is a **new moment** in the life of the Church in Ireland and especially in the Parishes of this Diocese. We invite and welcome back those, who for various reasons, have drifted away from the faith of their Baptism, to re-engage with the Parish Faith Community. Be assured of encouragement and support.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society. Meeting this **Monday, 10th September, at 7 p.m.** in **Marian Hall, Convent Hill.** *New Members always welcome*

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Killacluig Choir:New members are always welcome- singers and musicians. Contact Caitriona Fox on 086-3760487 or meet us after 10.30am Mass if interested. All welcome! Please note there is no choir in Killacluig on Sunday 23rd September. Choir as usual on other Sundays.

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GET UP AND GO CLUBA.R.A. Thomas Street, Mitchelstown. Meeting every **Tuesday, in the Town Hall from 2pm to 4pm.** For more details contact Diane 087-1478030 or Mai 087-6283266

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Cork Autism Conference 2018- Re-Thinking Autism - A Positive and Integrative Approach, **Sunday September 30th,** Rochestown Park Hotel, Douglas Cork. Conference provides a unique forum for Parents, Families, Caregivers, Adults with ASD, Employers, Educators, Professionals, Agencies, Advocates and anyone with an interest in Autism and Asperger's Syndrome. More info here: www.bookwhen.com/corkautism or call 089 239 8900

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Killacluig Church - Be part of our Sunday Mass! We invite primary and secondary school students to become involved in our Sunday Mass in the offertory procession, prayer of the faithful, music or collecting. You can make a difference. Please contact Samantha on 089-4415338, Johanna 086-8494191 or Catherine on 087-7727496 if interested.

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Mitchelstown Forum Age Friendly Social Hub and Active Group will meet again **Monday 10th September** 11am and **Wednesday 12th September** 2pm following a break for the Summer. These groups are open to anyone looking to meet for a coffee and chat once a week. We will be doing a variety of activities from arts, crafts, making Christmas Mangers, dancing, information talks and more. Everyone is welcome and all ages. €2 donation per session. See you all in Forrest Hall in the Square 10th September 11am. Tel: Ballyhoura 025-85213.

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Ballyhoura are offering a **FREE Computer Course for over 50's in Mitchelstown.** Learn to use an iPad, tablet, phone or laptop that you have already. Learn to set up an email, car tax online, check online banking, book flights online, get emails from the supermarket about weekly offers & more. This is for complete beginners who have never touched a computer. Starting Wednesday 12th September for 5 Wednesday morning 10am-12. Tel 06320517

FREE Computers for Farm Business will be running in Mitchelstown for anyone who is involved in farming and would like to use the internet for their farm. Learn to do online calf registration, herd watch, done deal and online searches. Starting 10th September 7.30-9.30pm for 5 Monday's. Tel 063-20517.

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Station Masses: The Autumn Station Masses will commence on **Friday September 21st.** Again we ask your help for the distribution of the Station envelopes. The Autumn distributors can collect the envelopes from the Parish Office, during Office hours – Monday to Friday, 9am to 12noon, we would greatly appreciate the help.

World Suicide Awareness Week (9 – 15th September 2018): The Cork City and County library services are delighted to host and display the *Lighting the Way* art exhibitions in library settings in the County and City as well as information resources for Mental Health Awareness/supports and training. *Lighting the Way* is an information resource for people bereaved through suicide. These exhibitions will remain in the library for the duration of World Suicide Awareness Week 2018. The library service has selected the following libraries in Cork to host these displays for 2018. North Cork - Fermoy Library, East Cork – Cobh Library, West Cork – Clonakilty Library, Cork North – Blackpool Library, Cork South – Ballyphehane Library. For further information please contact Jacinta McCormack, Community Health Worker 085 8742320.

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Eucharistic Adoration - Can you commit to one hour a week in Eucharistic Adoration. We are looking for people for the following hours: Monday 11am-12noon to share. Please contact Nora on 025 24149, Catherine on 087 7727496 or any one of the priests.

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Adult Education Classes starting in **Forrest Hall, New Square, Mitchelstown** from **Monday 10th September.** Ring Aine on 086-0484457 or call into Forrest Hall for more details?

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MITCHELSTOWN SENIOR EXERCISE - SENIOR TONE UP Classes for over 50's resumes at Tesco Meeting Room on Wednesday's at 7 -8 pm. Mitchelstown Walking Group conducts 40-50 minute walks from the Mitchelstown Leisure centre on Tuesday / Thursday at 7 pm. Operation transformation never takes a break. Ring 087.3589734 for further details.

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The Poor Clare's in Galway are hosting a **Cloister Day** on **Saturday, September 22nd from 10am to 5pm.** The day is designed to help young women between the ages of 21 and 40 to find out more about the Poor Clare way of life with a view to vocation discernment. To book a place contact: Sr. Faustina at: poorclaresgalwayvocations@gmail.com

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COFFEE MORNING: Assumpta Roche is hosting her 24th Annual Coffee Morning in aid of **Marymount Hospice,** at her home in Ballybeg, on **Thursday 20th September, 9am to 9pm.** Everyone Welcome!

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Dates for your Diaries:

ALL WELCOME to join with **C.B.S. Primary** staff and pupils for their **Annual Start of Year** Mass, to ask God's blessing as they begin a new School Year. This Mass will be celebrated in the **Parish Church on Thursday, 20th September at 11.15am.** All at CBS Primary would like to sincerely thank the people of Mitchelstown and its environs for their continued support and co-operation.

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RECENTLY DECEASED:The sympathy of the Parish Community is extended to the family and friends of –Richard Walsh, Knocknamuck Who died recently. *May He Rest In Peace*