

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, KILLACLUIG:

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. **KILLACLUIG:** 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.

Parish Office: 025-84062

E-MAIL: mitchelstownparishoffice@eircom.net **DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 12 NOON WEDNESDAY**

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

Priest on Sick call this week is: Fr. Fitzgerald P.P. Sick Call Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

Pharmacy Rota:

Fitzgibbon's Pharmacy open this Sunday, 10th February 11.30a.m. To 1.30p.m.

Coming Events:

- Divine Mercy Conference in the R.D.S., Dublin on Saturday, February 16th. The Theme of the Conference: "Behold Your Mother". If you wish to travel by bus, contact Eileen (021) 4668461.

Pilgrimages:

- Cloyne Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 1st - 6th June 2013. Contact Joe Walsh Tours (021) 4277959. Sick / Assisted Pilgrim application forms are available from The Parish Secretary, 27/28 Bank Place, Mallow (022) 20276
- Medjugorje: Very Special Pilgrimage as it is the ANNIVERSARY WEEK. Saturday, June 22nd - 29th out of Dublin. To be sure of your seat, please give €50 deposit as soon as possible. Contact Eileen (086) 3044456
- Garabandal: July 12th - 23rd. Contact Nuala (021) 4661575. Also visiting Lyons, Ars, La Salette and Lourdes.
- Fatima and Santiago de Compostela, 12th to 20th September, cost €849. Contact Pilgrimages Abroad (01) 6359300. If total paid by 1st February cost is €749 or if deposit of €200 paid before February cost is €799.
- The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock is on Sunday, 12th May. Parishes to make their own travel arrangements.

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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Help to made a good marriage better

Marriage Encounter weekends have been held throughout the country for many years. It has brought great enrichment to many couples and as a result to their children. Couples find it hard to arrange to be away for a full weekend, with the many demands of life. But this weekend is worth the effort. The weekend is led by married couples and a priest, and is attended by a number of couples. It is a residential stay weekend and the next weekend is being held in Cork. The Parish is very happy to sponsor a couple who would like to take the weekend. For more information phone Ray & A (021) 4381511 or Mike & Rose (087) 2162436. You can also contact the Parish Office (025) 84062 Monday to Friday 9am - 12noon. For more information visit www.marriageencounter.ie. The next weekend in Cork is on 8th - 10th March. It is confidential and don't let fear stop you.

Lent:

In a world that is becoming more and more secular and independent of God, believers have to make a none conscious decision to live and practice their faith. As Lent begins next Wednesday (Ash Wednesday) the secular world will want to focus on cigarettes (No Smoking Campaign), but as believers our focus is on God and on the call of Jesus Christ to renew our commitment again to him through alms giving, prayer and fasting. Jesus Christ calls us to deny our bodies and fast during Lent from things we like. The Church asks us to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. We are invited to participate, to give the Trocaire collection for the poor nations of the world and to give to local charities like the St. Vincent de Paul. We are all called anew to spending time in prayer and Gospel meditation, which we can do at home as a family by attending weekend Mass during Lent. Let's make a special effort this year of faith to make a good Lent and a good Confession in preparation for Easter and the celebration of the Resurrection of Christ.

DO SOMETHING SPECIAL THIS LENT

Have you a friend or family member who has a problem with alcohol?

Do you want to help in a simple yet effective way?

Then take the pledge for Lent: Abstain from alcohol for 6 weeks, and offer it up as a prayer to help your friend achieve freedom and well-being.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO SOMEONE'S LIFE!

To join, please hand in your name to the Sacristy

TABLE QUIZ: Ballygiblin Parents Council will hold a **Table Quiz** at 9pm on **Friday 22nd February** in the **Hunters Rest**, Mitchelstown. Proceeds in aid of Ballygiblin National School Playground.

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C.B.S. Primary Parent Council would like to thank all the parents, family members, friends and staff, who took part in our recent Table Quiz. A big thank you, to the management and staff of the Hunter's Rest, for their continued support. Thanks to John Hickey (Quiz Master) and David Mulcahy (Sound).

Date for your diaries:

Our **Annual Fashion Show** is **Tuesday, March 5th** in the **Firgrove Hotel**.

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T.O. Park: DOUBLE BINGO This Thursday, February 14th, St. Valentines Night. At 8.30pm. Books normal price. All money prizes doubled. Raffle with Tea and Refreshments served free of charge.

Trip to Donegal & Derry: May Bank Holidays weekend. Top Hotel, 3 days / 2 nights. Lots of music, fun and sightseeing. Guided Tour of Derry etc. Full details in this week's Avondhu.

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CHANGE IN OPENING HOURS -Mitchelstown Citizens Information Centre
Marian Hall, Convent Hill, Mitchelstown. Tel: 0761 07 8030
E-mail: Mitchelstown@citinfo.ie
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Thursday 1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
Friday 7.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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Children's Art Classes-

5 Weeks, starting Wednesday, 13th February 5pm - 6pm
€30 material provided. Bright Sparks, Brigown, Mitchelstown
Contact Deirdre Dunne 085 -7844305

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HEALTHY WALKING CLUB from MITCHELSTOWN SQUARE, TUESDAYS at 7pm.
Contact 087-9320062

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World Day Of The Sick - **BINGO. In aid of the Mitchelstown Carmelite Lourdes Group.** Town Hall, **Sunday, 17th February** at 3.00pm. Great Prizes on the day. All welcome. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

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MITCHELSTOWN MUSICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS "The Wizard of Oz"

Venue: CBS Auditorium, Mitchelstown. Dates: Tue 12th - Sat 16th Feb 2013.

Time 8pm. Opening Night €10 all other performances €15

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Mitchelstown Ladies Football: Training has started again on Tuesdays in St Fanahan's Hall U6/U8 (born in or before 2005) is at 6:30pm - 7:30pm & U10 (born in 2003 -2004) is at 7:30pm - 8:30pm. Please come along and give it a try. All new players welcome

Ozanam Centre:

Mass on Saturday 16th February at 7.30pm will be offered for Deceased and Present Volunteers & Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society, Mitchelstown.

Computer Classes: Advanced Typing: Thursday Night 14th March.

Beginners Computers: Monday Night 25th March

Beginners Typing: Tuesday Morning 9th April. **Web Design:** Tuesday Night 9th April

Manual & Computerised Payroll: Wednesday Night 10th April

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Tomorrow, Monday, 11th February, **Annual Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes** at 7.30pm in St. Patrick's Church, Fermoy. Refreshments afterwards in Corrin Event Centre, shuttle bus available from the Church to Corrin Event Centre for those who have no transport. All welcome.

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Ballygiblin National School now enrolling:

If you are interested in enrolling your child in Ballygiblin National School for September 2013, please contact the school at 025 / 24933 by February 19th, if you have not already done so.

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WHY NOT STUDY THEOLOGY? The Dominicans are offering affordable distance learning programmes in theology, which can be followed either for academic credit or for personal enrichment. People study from home, with occasional study days at weekends, and with the support of on-line academic tutors. Hundreds of people completed some or all of the programme. Perhaps you would like to know more?

Contact us at: **The Priory Institute, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24.**

Telephone: (01) 4048124 enquiries@prioryinstitute.com

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Retrouvaille Ireland: A lifeline for Troubled Marriages. Do you know someone whose marriage is stressed, unloving and cold? Someone who has separated, divorced, or is thinking of doing so, but wants to try again? The Retrouvaille programme can help them recover their marriage. For information on the next programme, contact www.retrouvaille.ie. Completely confidential.

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Eucharistic Adoration - we are looking for adorers for the following hours

Monday 8-9am. Wednesday 7-8am Friday 8-9am

If interested contact Nora Hogan 025 - 24149 or Catherine Hanley 087- 7727496.

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Set Dance Class: Wednesday nights from 8.30-10.30pm in Rathcormac Inn. All welcome. Enquiries to Fionán on 087 818 5111 or email ceilifit@gmail.com

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Spring Stations for the coming week.

Town & Country Stations: 7.30 p.m. unless otherwise stated.

FEBRUARY:

Thur.	14 th	Glenahulla & Cloughleafin	Michael Dennehy
Thur.	14 th	Gurrane & Coolenave	Michael & Breda McElroy
Thur.	14 th	Church St. Mitchelscourt, Kildorrery Road, Ashfield Manor, Staggpark, Deerpark, Cloonkilla, & Ard na Gréine.	PARISH CHURCH
Fri.	15 th	Marshalstown & Bawnaneonini.	8.15pm Claire Condon