

**Ballyhoura Macra
invites YOU!**

Ballyhoura Macra welcomes anyone 17 years or over.

We will be heading to **Freemount Macra's BBQ on July 24th on a bus leaving from Mitchelstown.**

If you are interested in coming on our Bus trip or joining this very active local club, Ballyhoura, please text our club secretary

Gráinne on 087 7799218 or

ballyhouramacra@o2.ie.

Ballyhoura Macra covers

Kildorrery, Ballyporeen,

Mitchelstown and

surrounding areas.

Check us out on Facebook

**Mitchelstown Citizens
Information Centre**

Marian Hall, Convent Hill,

Mitchelstown

Tel: **025 / 84600**

E-mail:

Mitchelstown@citinfo.ie

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.

Mitchelstown Macra Na Feirme

Since reforming in May 2010, Mitchelstown Macra has had a very positive response from people in the area. We held a very successful social night and hold fortnightly meetings. Macra is a voluntary organization for those ages between 17 and 35 with an interest in social interaction and personal development. Mitchelstown and surrounding areas have been starved of Macra activity in recent years; however that is all about to change.

As part of the Macra Na Feirme

Know Your Neighbour

Annual Campaign,

We in Mitchelstown Macra are holding

a COFFEE MORNING

ON SATURDAY JULY 24TH

IN BALLYGIBLIN OLD SCHOOL

FROM 10AM – 1PM.

We welcome everyone from all aspects of the community including all voluntary groups.

We look forward to seeing you there.

If you were involved in Mitchelstown Macra in the past and have any ideas or would like to get involved again, please contact us!!!!

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday July 13th at 9pm in The Firgrove Hotel, Mitchelstown.

Hope to see you there.

MITCHELSTOWN PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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SUMMER HOLIDAYS

The Junior and Leaving Cert Exams are over, all our schools are closed for the summer vacation. Thanks to the staff of all our schools for their dedicated and hard work during the year. We are truly blessed with wonderful schools in our Parish. Thanks too, to all the pupils for making such a very successful year. Let's hope everybody will enjoy the holidays, be free from sickness and protected from all accidents.

Hopefully, parents can have a little time too, to relax from the stresses and strains of life. I am aware it is a very difficult time for some families due to the downturn in the economy and loss of gainful employment. These families are especially in our thoughts and prayers. We pray too, that more employment can be created locally – this is one of our greatest needs. Thanks to everybody who are supporting those who are in serious difficulty.

I hope everybody will have some relaxation during the summer holidays, no matter how small or short.

Fr. Michael

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Just to clarify, that any person or family who wish to commit themselves to one of the weekly hours, can do so for a month, six months, a year or however long they choose. In committing yourself for an hour, it is not expected that you do it forever, you can choose the length of time yourselves. Every effort is welcome for however long you choose.

Fr. Michael

WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING:

Following a very uplifting 'Life in the Spirit' Seminar in the Town Hall, a group of adults are now meeting **every Wednesday night at 8.00 p.m. in the Marian Hall, Convent Hill.** The meeting consists of Rosary, Songs of Prayer & Praise, Bible Reading, Sharing and Intercessions. The meeting finishes at 9.30 p.m., followed by a cup of tea. The meeting gives support to those struggling in their faith and helps others to improve their prayer and grow in their faith.

Fr. Michael

MITCHELSTOWN PLAYGROUND.

Mitchelstown Community Council has launched a 3 monthly draw to help clear the Mitchelstown Playground Debt. **The draw will take place on the last Friday in July, August and September. Tickets cost €20 per month or €50 for all three draws.**

1st Prize is €1,000, 2nd & 3rd Prizes are €250 each.

All funds raised will go to pay off the debt at the playground, it is hoped that there will be a good number of people taking part in the draw. Mitchelstown is blessed to have such a wonderful playground. Tickets are on sale now and available from any member of the playground committee. For more information contact Michael White on (086) 3797250

Please give your support to such a worthy cause.

Newsletter printed in the: **Parish Office, Convent Hill, Mitchelstown, Co. Cork.**

E-mail: mitchelstownparishoffice@eircom.net Phone or Fax: **025 / 84062**

Deadline is 12 noon. Wednesday Open: 10 a.m. to 12 noon – Mon. to Fri.

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.

Dr. Margaret Finn,
Kings Square
May she Rest in Peace.

EUCCHARISTIC HEALING HOUR OF ADORATION:

Every
Thursday night from
8 pm to 9 pm

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY
Meeting this
Monday 12th July
At 7 p.m.
In **Marian Hall, Convent Hill.**

New Members always welcome.

CONFESSION TIMES:

Mitchelstown: Sat, Eves of Holydays & Eves of 1st Fridays.
12 noon to 1pm & 7pm to 7.30pm
Ballygiblin: 1st Friday 7 p.m.
Killaclug: before 1st 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
1st 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 - 1st Friday: 7.30pm

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, KILLACLUIG:

Sunday & Holyday: 10.30am - 1st Friday: 8.15pm

OUR LADY OF GARABANDAL

The monthly meeting will be held in
Mitchelstown Town Hall
THIS SUNDAY JULY 11TH AT 3.00 P.M.
All Welcome

**Mitchelstown Community Council
ANNUAL MASS**

We the members of the Mitchelstown Community Council have arranged a Mass in

Brigown Cemetery

Next Tuesday night July 13th at 7.30 p.m.

The Mass will be offered for the deceased of the Parish and the surrounding catchment areas. Please do come along and participate in this Special Mass.

Note: We appeal to the general public to **PLEASE KEEP OUR GRAVEYARDS CLEAN AND TIDY & TO REFRAIN FROM DUMPING RUBBISH.**

Rubbish bins are provided at the Entrance to the Graveyard.

Fanahan McSweeney Athletic Club

All Ireland Glory

Benny Healy won shot gold and discus bronze under 14 in the National Athletic Championships in Tullamore last weekend.

On Saturday a club under 13 relay team of Ciara Kenneally, Gavin Brown, Eadaoin Joy and Sean Walsh competed excellently at the big Cork City Sports. Sonia O'Sullivan presented their medals.

On Friday July 23rd

Fanahan McSweeney AC will hold its club sports at Araglin Carnival

GAA grounds at 7 pm.

All welcome.

Training Monday / Wednesday

7-8 pm

St. Fanahan's College

MITCHELSTOWN COMMUNITY GAMES
Including Araglin, Glanworth, Kildorrery, Kilworth

MUNSTER BOUND

Mitchelstown Tag under 14 team play semi final V Tipp's Ballingarry this Saturday in U.L., Limerick. Mitchelstown boys under 12 soccer team played Croom on Wednesday in the Munster quarter final.

Contact:

**Jennie Connolly (087)3170658,
Sean Joy (086)1209571,
Helena Norris (086)3285634,
Seamus Fox (025) 24918
www.communitygames.ie**

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Meetings held in

Marian Hall, Convent Hill, Mitchelstown
EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT @ 8.45 P.M.

&

EVERY SUNDAY MORNING
11.30 A.M. TO 12.30 P.M.

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.

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.

PRAYER GROUPS

Youth 2000 - Every Sunday at 8.15 p.m. in Marian Hall, Convent Hill.

Adult Prayer Group - Every Wednesday at 8 p.m. in Marian Hall, Convent Hill.

Legion of Mary - Every Tuesday at 6.30p.m. in Marian Hall, Convent Hill.

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