

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, KILLAULIG:

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. **KILLAULIG:** before 1st Friday Mass.

CLERGY:

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

Sick Call Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

Rosary at the Grotto for May:

Rosary every evening at the Grotto of Our Lady on Cahir Hill. **The time of the Rosary each evening is at 8.00pm, except on Thursdays, when it will be at 7.30pm.** You are all invited to come any evening you can.

P.T.A.A. Private Members Draw Results Wednesday 17th April 2013:

1st Prize: €1200 M. Hynes, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath.

2nd Prize: €400 Sarah Thi Murphy, Coolroe, Burncourt, Cahir, Co. Tipperary.

3rd Prize: €200 C. Gallagher, Ballina, Co. Mayo.

4th Prize: €100 N. Sweeney, Achill, Co. Mayo.

Six Promoters Prizes of €40 each;

1. M. Byrne Drogheda, Co. Louth.
2. K. Leamy, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.
3. John Casey, Mitchelstown, Co. Cork.
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5. R. Clarke, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath.
6. M. Brady, Navan, Co. Meath.

As this was the final draw, the finance and fundraising committee of the central council are very grateful to the many subscribers, who gave so generously in support of this draw. Thank you all most sincerely for making it such a great success. The Board of Management have decided to run the private members draw again in November 2013.

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Corpus Christi Procession:

The Feast of Corpus Christi is on Sunday, June 2nd. Again this year we will carry the Blessed Eucharist in procession through some of our town streets and conclude with the Eucharistic Blessing in Town Square. The Procession will take place after the 12 o'clock Mass. We will take the same route as last year: Leaving the Church, turning left onto the Main Street, James Street, George's Street, Baldwin Street and returning to Town Square from Lower Cork Street. It is really one of the special events of the year and we encourage you and your family to come and proclaim your faith in the Lord. We also welcome homes and businesses along the route to mark the Lord's coming with suitable decoration. Again we ask the Lord's Blessing on our Town and on our community.

The Mitchelstown Carmelite Lourdes Group will lead the organising of the procession this year, but they need volunteers from the community to help with the stewarding. **A meeting will be held in the Firgrove Hotel on Tuesday night next, 21st May, at 9.00pm.** Coffee and Tea will be served. Please do come along as help is greatly needed.

Bus to Knock:

A bus will depart for Knock from the Town Square on Saturday, June 1st. Adults €20 & Children €15. It is the All-Ireland Rosary Rally Day. It is a great opportunity to bring our worries and troubles to Our Lady and to introduce the children to Knock.

1st Holy Communion:

Congratulations to the boys and girls who recently made their 1st Holy Communion from Ballygiblin and Glenahulla. Thanks to the teachers for all their preparation. The boys and girls from Bunscoil and C.B.S. Primary will make their 1st Holy Communion on Saturday next at 11.00am Mass. Let us pray for the boys and girls and their families at this very special time.

Eucharistic Adoration and Holiday Time:

During holiday time, substitute Adorers are greatly needed to cover for those on holiday. If you think you could help on a temporary basis, please give your name to Catherine Hanley (087) 7727496, Nora Hogan (025) 24149 or in the Sacristy. Thanks to everybody for their help in maintaining perpetual adoration. Know also that the Adoration Chapel is open to everybody to make a visit at any time.

AROMA invites you for the RÁS clean up in the Town Centre
On Tuesday, 21st May 2013 at 7pm. Meet at the New Square.

Annual Trip to Mt. Sion, in honour of Br. Rice, will take place on Sunday, May 26th. Bus will be leaving from the Square at 11am. If interested contact Bridie on (085) 242 3352.

Ozanam Centre:

Microsoft Excel Spreadsheets: Monday night 27th May (5 nights).

Enquiries 025-84733

Paediatric First Aid: 15th & 22nd May 2013. 7.30pm - 10pm.

Enquiries to Eileen Maher 087-9270020

MITCHELSTOWN GATHERING DIARY

June 1st – 2nd ~ Festival of Galtees.
June 3rd ~ International Welly Throwing
~ Fan McSweeney AC Sports 1pm
June 9th ~ MS Galtee Mountain Walk
June 13th ~ Summer Festival Bingo Night ~ TO Park 8.30pm
June 14th ~ Festival Dance Liam O’Sullivan ~ TO Park 9.30 pm
June 16th ~ Summer Festival Bingo Night ~ TO Park 8.30pm
June 17th ~ Walk Night Party Nuala’s ~ Ballyorgan 7.00 pm
June 18th ~ History Night ~ TO Park 8.00pm
June 21st – 23rd ~ Reunion of Ballygiblin GAA & National School
June 28th ~ American Tea Party ~ TO Park Barn
June 28th – 30th ~ Barry Park Gathering, ~ Glanworth
June 30th ~ Galtee Mountain Challenge / Walk Anglesboro to Cahir ~ 32km
See Mitchelstown pages on www.thegatheringireland.com / www.irelandxo.com See Mitchelstown sites at www.irelandxo.com or www.thegatheringireland.com to help those seeking roots and see local events 2013. **Encourage Clan / Family Gatherings**

The ARRA Players present **The Chastite by John B. Keane** at Kilcoran Lodge Hotel, on Friday, May 24th at 7.30pm. Admission €12. Proceeds to Cope Sensory Garden, Mitchelstown.

The North Cork Branch of the Alzheimer’s Society would like to thank all those who supported the recent Tea/Coffee Day. All proceeds will be donated to St. Mary’s Day Care Centre Mallow.

SUMMER CAMPS AT BRIGHT SPARKS. Age 12 months onwards.
Arts & Crafts, Water Play, Movie Days, Sand Play, Dress Up, Make & Do, Baking.
RUNNING ALL SUMMER with both MORNING AND AFTERNOON SESSIONS
AVAILABLE starting from €10. For more DETAILS/BOOKINGS CALL 025 86799

T.O. Park: Once off **Big Dance** with Dave Rea at the Park this **Monday, 20th May** from 9.30pm to 12.30am. All Welcome.
Fundraising **BINGO** for The Niall Mellon Fund at the Park this **Thursday, 23rd May** at 8.30pm. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

An Post RÁS: Mitchelstown has been chosen to host the finish of stage number 5 in this year’s An Post Rás. The visit of the Rás to Mitchelstown will be highly beneficial to our local economy, while also raising the national and international profile of our town. It will provide a thrilling spectacle and most importantly of all, it will attract young and old to the sport of cycle racing. Over 200 Cyclists will take part and we expect that hundreds of their supporters and families will converge on the town. On **Thursday the 23rd of May 2013**, the cyclists will arrive in Mitchelstown between the hours of **2pm-3pm**. Traffic diversions will be in place from 2pm. Disruption will be kept to a minimum as these will only be in place while the Cyclists are coming through the town to the finish line just below the Post Office. At 11.00am on the 23rd of May the Rás Organisers will be erecting barriers on Upper Cork Street. Parking restrictions will apply. Please be mindful of this if you own a vehicle. Parking will be available on the day at the mart on Georges Street, so anyone going about their daily business will not be disrupted. On Friday the 24th of May at 11.00am the race will recommence, traffic control measures will be in place while the Cyclists move off, these will be kept to a minimum. (Maximum time frame of twenty minutes). The Rás coordinators in conjunction with the Gardai would ask you all, to kindly co-operate with these traffic management measures. In 1976 the An Post Rás last visited Mitchelstown, in those 37 years so many things have changed, but hopefully that does not include our pride in our town. We ask everyone to welcome the Cyclists, the Organisers, their Families and Supporters, and for all the local community to come out and enjoy the spectacle which is “An Post Rás 2013”

Mitchelstown Carmelite Lourdes Group held their annual fundraising draw on Sunday, May 5th in the Clongibbon bar. The draw was a great success and we would like to thank all who supported it. We would like to thank all our ticket sellers and the youth and staff of St. Fanahan’s College. The results of the draw are:
1st Prize €300 Jean Joyce, Peafield, Lisgoold
2nd Prize €100 Johnny Collins, Killeagh
3rd Prize €100 Joan Mansell, Caherdrinna.
Anyone wishing to travel to Lourdes on September 27th with the Mitchelstown Carmelites please forward your name to Paddy (087) 9488359 or Denny (087) 2778364.

RTE Documentary Seeks Your Help - Celebrating Local People. ‘Life in Ireland Today’ is a one hour observational documentary being made by ACB Films Ireland for RTE television. It will follow a returning Irish immigrant as she examines the reasons why Irish people always want to return to their homeland. Her journey focuses specifically on Irish people’s generosity of spirit, which is something she experienced living as an ex-pat abroad, and she is keen to investigate if it still exist in Ireland today. Through spending time with Irish people, visiting local businesses, GAA organisations, social groups and charities, she will try to find regular Irish people who make a significant difference to people’s lives through their generosity and service. Their contribution may go quietly unnoticed by most, but to the people whose lives they’ve changed, improved or even saved, they’re superheroes. It could be a parent who has given up a highflying career to care fulltime for their severely impaired child; the person who offers the homeless man a shower, food and time to chat; or someone who gives a voice to those who feel they have none. ‘Life in Ireland Today’ reveals why Irish people are always so keen to stick together when they move abroad; it’s a positive and celebratory look at the best aspects of the Irish personality and why we share an instinct to return home to be with our own. If you know someone who goes out of their way to help others in a very real way, be it a family member or the wider community, then we’d like to hear from you! **Please contact:** Trina Rea, Assistant Producer, ‘Life in Ireland Today’. **Telephone or text Trina 086 836 7007. E-mail Trina: trina@abcfilmsireland.com**