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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 10AM WEDNESDAY

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

Parish Website: www.mitchelstownparish.ie

Canon Fitzgerald is on Sick Call this week - Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association National Draw 2014 – 2015:

Mitchelstown Branch P.T.A.A. are major promoters of the private members national fundraising draw to help in the promotion of temperance, especially among young people here in Ireland & pioneers in the developing world. The private members monthly draw which anyone is free to join, has been held over the past 13 years, proved most successful as a national fundraising event, so once again the National Fundraising Committee & Board of Management have decided to run the national members draws again, **BEGINNING ON NOVEMBER 19TH 2014 & CONTINUING EACH MONTH UNTIL APRIL 2015, INCLUSIVE.** The 1st Prize each month will be €1200, 2nd €400, 3rd €200 & 4th €100. There will also be 6 promoters' prizes of €40. Each membership is €7 per month, subscribers who pay for the 6 months in advance of the 1st draw, need only pay €40. Those wishing to join can do so by contacting any member of Mitchelstown, Fermoy or Rathcormac Pioneer Councils or any pioneer council member in their area. Mitchelstown local Promoter **John Casey 087 / 6477897**, Fermoy – **Emer Howard 086 – 8459439** or **Catherine Morrison 025 - 31519** or **Pioneer Association, 27 Upper Sherrard St. Dublin (01) 8749464.** We thank you for your financial assistance in the past, and look forward to your support in the future. Best of Luck to all in the draw. *"If you're not in you can't win"*.

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NET Presents: Youth Group! Every Monday from 7-9pm. Drop by the Mitchelstown Town Hall for fun, food, & to learn a little more about the faith! Open to any & all secondary-aged students. See you there!

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Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: This is an innovative approach to the religious formation of children both spiritually and educationally. It is grounded in sacred scripture, the liturgy of the Church and the spiritual and educational principles of Dr. Marie Montessori. It respects the relationship between God and the child and nourishes that relationship. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd allows children to experience and know Jesus and the faith we profess at a deeper level. **Every Friday during the school terms**, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will take place in the **Town Hall** at the following time: **3.00pm – 4.00pm** for Children aged four to eight. Limited number of places available so if you want your child to be part of this experience please contact Angela Kelleher on 087-9597623. To learn more about this method log onto www.cgs.ie

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Beatification of Pope Paul VI: This weekend the Synod of Bishops comes to a close, with the beatification of Pope Paul VI, who first established the Synod in 1975. The following is an account of the miracle accepted for his beatification.

Vatican Insider, the cardinals and bishops came to a decision on May 6.

The attributed miracle involves an unborn child, who was found to have a serious health problem that posed a high risk of brain damage, in the 1990s in California. The child's bladder was damaged, and doctors reported ascites (the presence of liquid in the abdomen) and anhydramnios (absence of fluid in the amniotic sac). Physicians advised that the child be aborted, but the mother entrusted her pregnancy to the intercession of Pope Paul VI, who succeeded St. John XXIII on June 21, 1963, and served until his death on Aug. 6, 1978.

The mother took the advice of a nun who was a friend of the family and had met Paul VI. The mother then prayed for Paul VI's intercession using a fragment of the pope's vestments that the nun had given her.

Ten weeks later, the results of the medical tests showed a substantial improvement in the child's health, and he was born by Caesarean section in the 39th week of pregnancy. He is now a healthy adolescent and considered to be completely healed.

Not only has a Vatican medical commission ruled that the healing is medically inexplicable, but the consulting theologians for the Congregation for the Causes of Saints have also agreed that the healing was a "supernatural intervention," according to Father Marrazzo. The Italian postulator said it is not possible to give more details about the case in order to "respect the privacy" of the family and the boy concerned.

"It's logical to leave the boy in peace," he said. "I don't think it's important at this stage to know who received the miracle, but, rather, know what the miracle consisted of."



The Parish Office has now got a new supply of **Parish Radios** for sale at €20 each.

