

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. V.F. Phone: 025-84090. V. Rev. Canon O'Leary C.C. Phone: 025-84088

Rev. Fr. Greene C.C. Phone: 025-84077. Parish Office: 025-84062 (9am-12pm)

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

Sick Call Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

Ozanam Centre 025 84733

Computers:

Basic Digital Photography: Wednesday morning 30th Oct.

Advanced ECDL Word Processing: Monday morning 4th Nov.

E-Banking: Wednesday night: 6th Nov.

Fetac Level 5 Manual & Comp Book-keeping: Thursday night 7th Nov.

Beginners Computers: Monday night 11th Nov.

Skype: Wednesday night 13th Nov.

E-bay & PayPal: Wednesday night 20th Nov.

Twitter: Wednesday Night 27th Nov.

Living with Loss – Seasons for Growth

Are you wrestling with a loss or a change in your life which is difficult?

Seasons for Growth is a 20 hour course for adults run over 8 weeks (2 ½ hours per week) It will provide the opportunity to explore the effects of grief and change in your life in a safe and respectful environment. Many different losses occur in one's lifetime and **Seasons for Growth** is based on the belief that grief and loss are a normal and valuable part of life. You will have the opportunity to gain understanding, knowledge and skills to help you to cope with your grief experiences.

Start date: 21st November Time: 7.30pm – 10.00pm

Venue: Ozanam Centre Mitchelstown

For more information or to book a place call-Patricia 021/4666180 or Bríd 025 84733

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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"Lord, increase our faith"

A book on psychology once made a statement that, "One of the first lessons every young person has to learn, is that life is tough". This is why faith in God's all-powerful help is so necessary. At the youth prayer meeting during the week, one young man said he had been praying for a certain job, which he didn't get, but he said I got an internship and an even greater opportunity. The way he looked at it was that God gave him even more than he asked for. But it takes great faith to see that. Sometimes when we pray, we tie the Hands of God so to speak, because we are not open to His plan. Every request we make in prayer should also be accompanied with a prayer for an increase of faith to recognise the Hand of God. When we pray to God let's put everything on the table. Let us remember God is great and full of compassion. Everyone this weekend is calculating the Budget cuts. Fears and anxiety can so easily cripple us as we face our difficulties, but as people of faith we trust that God will bless us with His Divine help and that He will also bless our country. Life is tough, have no doubt about it, but faith in God moves us to look at everything in a positive and hopeful way.

Ballyhoura Rural Services have people available to visit elderly parishioners in the Town area. If any elderly or people living alone would like a visit please contact the Parish Office 025 – 84062 Monday to Friday 9am to 12 noon.

MITCHELSTOWN LIBRARY: FUN DAY

We invite all young people to come to the Library on the **31st of October** for some fun.

Carole Bradley will host - 'Take a Halloween photo' - from 10am to 4pm.

Maria Morris will be doing a Halloween face paint make over (Only with a parent's permission) - from 2pm - 4pm.

Liz will be making mini ghosties - all day

We have a Witch's house set up - so why not come and have a sneak peek - Don't forget to wear your costumes

Also Sean Burke has a **PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION** and Michael Quinlan has some **PAINTINGS** on show.

We are also showcasing **PRESENTATION SECONDARY'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS** posters.

CBS PRIMARY PARENT COUNCIL are holding a **BAG PACK at Tesco on Thursday 24th October.** The Council Reps are grateful for the continuing support of Mitchelstown Community for their fundraising ventures. Thanks to Tesco for facilitating the collection.

Friends of Londiani Kenya Volunteer Project (FOL): MARY FINN is heading to Kenya in November this year, to volunteer with the (FOL) charity on community development programmes. Mary will be a part of a team who will join with a community in a remote, rural part of Kenya to help make a difference in their lives, especially in the areas of health, education and water. To take part in this project, Mary needs to raise €1,900 to get her there and €1,000 to support the programmes running on the ground in Londiani. Please help in any way possible. FOL is a small Irish charity (CHY16505) and every donation counts and is much appreciated in Kenya. If you would like to donate contact Mary on 087 – 94 88 364. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**MITCHELSTOWN LAWN TENNIS CLUB
JUNIORS MID TERM MINI CAMP**

Weds 30th October - Fri 1st November. Cost €10 per child
Registration Tues 22/10 2pm-7pm

Ballygiblin Baby & Toddler Group: Do you have a baby or toddler? Are you interested in meeting up? There is an opportunity to have a baby & toddler group in the old school in Ballygiblin, all welcome!!!! It will be on **Mondays at 10.30 am** starting on the **4th November**. Please contact Stephen Dalton on 087 244 86 82 if you are interested or pass it on to someone who would be. Looking forward to hearing from you!

November – Month of the Holy Souls: Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer this sacrifice in honour of their deceased loved ones. You can do likewise! Take the SHORT-TERM pledge for November. www.pioneerassociation.ie or contact 01 – 874 9464 or local contact Catherine Hanley 087 – 772 7496

Why not have a go at **Fun Aerobics** for Mitchelstown School Parents
Tuesday at 9.30am at St. Fanahan's Hall.
Held weekly. Nominal fee €3 ~ 087.3589734

Paediatric First Aid Course - Ozanam Centre.
26th October (Saturday) 9:30am.

€50 per person - limited places available. Contact Eileen on 087 9270020

Ballygiblin National School Parents Council Fundraiser: Ballygiblin National School are having their **Halloween Disco** in the **Old School Hall** on **Friday, 25th October** from **6.30pm to 8pm**. Admission – Donations Welcome.

PLEASE HELP – COFFEE MORNING: Fundraiser for Fionn Doyle who has Leukaemia. To help raise much needed funds for the Doyle family, at this unexpected difficult time. **Thursday, October 24th 9.30am to 12.30pm. The Hunters Rest, Mitchelstown.** For more information or to give a donation contact: 087-7617177 or 086-8930465.

Thank you.

A SPECIAL ENRICHING WEEKEND: Celebrate your years of Marriage in the Lake Hotel. Killarney, Co. Kerry on the 15th to 17th November. A weekend of discovery, a lifetime of love, real quality time, fulfilment, joy. For booking or more information contact 064 - 66 44 319 or 087 – 66 70 418 or visit www.marriageencounter.ie

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association National Draw 2013 – 2014:

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 20th 2013 & CONTINUING EACH MONTH UNTIL APRIL 2014, 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 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".*

Ian Callanan – "In Beauty We Walk" – Present a Workshop for those involved in Music Ministry and Liturgy: Ballincollig Community Centre, Saturday, 16th November 10am to 5pm. The workshop will look at music for Advent & Christmas as well as music for use throughout the liturgical year. The cost is €25 per person which covers materials, tea & coffee. Discount of 10% applied to groups of 8 or more. Booking in advance is necessary so that we will have enough resources on the day. Booking forms available from the Parish Office or phone 087 – 954 0091. For further information see www.iancallanan.com

HALLOWEEN CAMPS at BRIGHT SPARKS 9am to 12pm each day, age 4 plus
TUESDAY 29TH October ARTS AND CRAFTS
WEDNESDAY 30TH October CARVE YOUR OWN PUMPKIN / SPOOKY STORIES!
THURSDAY 31ST October HALLOWEEN GAMES AND DRESS UP.....
FRIDAY 1ST November THE BIG BIG MOVIE AND PARTY TIME.....
PRICE €10 PER DAY. Contact 025 86799 or TEXT 086-2653839

A date for your diary **Wednesday 13th of November NEW & USED CLOTHES COLLECTION** in Ballygiblin National School in aid of the school.
More details closer to the date