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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 10AM WEDNESDAY

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

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Fr. Greene is on Sick Call this week - Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

No Time

*I knelt and prayed, but not for long. I had too much to do.
Must hurry off and get to work, For bills will soon be due.*

*And so I said a hurried prayer, Jumped up from off my knee,
My Christian duty now was done, My soul could be at ease.*

*All through the day I had no time, To speak a word of cheer,
No time to speak of Christ to friends, They'd laugh at me I'd feared.*

*No time, no time, too much to do. That was my constant cry.
No time to give to those in need.*

*At last 'twas the time to die. And when before the Lord I came;
I stood with down cast eyes. For in his hands he held a book;
It was the Book Of Life.*

*He looked into the book and said, "Your name I cannot find,
I once was going to write it down, But I never found the time."*

Looking for a new and exciting change to your career??

Then Ballyhoura Development Ltd has a wide range of fantastic courses available to suit everyone!! These will provide participants with a recognised qualification on completion. In conjunction with both SOLAS and Cork Education Training Board, we are offering courses in Retail Skills FETAC Level 4, Outdoor Recreation FETAC Level 5, Logistics and Distribution FETAC Level 5 and finally, Catering Skills FETAC Level 4. These are full time and run over a 9 month period commencing in September. To qualify for a place, you must be unemployed at the time of applying. Places are filling quickly in all of these, so if you are interested in applying contact reception on 063 20555 or e mail amoynihnan@ballyhoura.org.

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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Pope Francis in South Korea:

While horrific events of violence and hatred unfold in various parts of the world, Pope Francis went on a five day visit to South Korea, August 14th – 18th. South Korea is one of the world's wealthiest countries, but is increasingly unequal, with nearly half its elderly living in poverty. It gave Pope Francis the opportunity to reiterate his message: not to forget the poor and needy. South Korea has also seen rapid growth in the Catholic Church, which has doubled in the past 25 years to about 11% of a population of 50 million, adding some 100,000 new members each year. Since the introduction of Catholicism in 1784, there were as many as 10,000 martyrs for the faith in Korea. During his visit, Pope Francis beatified 124 martyrs for the faith.

The recent Korean War 1950 – 1953 left Korea a divided country, with the north under communist control. The Korean War ended with a truce and the two parts of the country are still in conflict. Pope Francis prayed especially for peace in the country. During his journey, Pope Francis's flight travelled through China's air space and he took the opportunity to send good wishes to the Chinese President and to invoke the blessing of God on the Country.

Pope Francis has a major mission and challenge to address a world in turmoil and without peace. Before he set off on his recent visit, he visited the Shrine of Our Lady of St. Mary Majors, to pray and to give flowers. Let us continue to pray for him and to ask the Holy Spirit to guide, protect and strengthen him.

Mt. Melleray Grotto:

The Annual Novena of prayer in the Grotto in Mt. Melleray, outside Cappoquin, will conclude on **this Sunday evening, August 24th at 8.00pm**. For over thirty years the Grotto has been a special source of spiritual refuge for those who are suffering and in need of healing. All are welcome to join the prayer evening.

Anam Cara is holding its monthly Parent Evening on Wednesday, 3rd of September from 7.30pm to 9pm at the Silver Springs Hotel, Tivoli, Cork. Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to all bereaved parents.

For further information please see our website at www.anamcara.ie
E-mail us at info@anamcara.ie or call 01 - 4045378

Annual St. Vincent de Paul Pilgrimage to Knock

Saturday 13th September 2014. Cost: €15 Adults €7 Children.

Bus will leave from Mitchelstown Mart at 7.30am

Places can be booked through the office at Ozanam Centre 025 /84733

BACK TO SCHOOL AT BRIGHT SPARKS

FREE PRESCHOOL YEAR - Commencing September 1st 2014.

Early drop off and snack included. No extra fees.

For bookings call 025-86799 or text 086-2653839

SHAPE UP FOR OVER 55'S Why not join a Tone Up Class for seniors over 55's being conducted weekly at Tesco, Mitchelstown on Wednesdays 7-8pm Based on improved mobility, toning, balance, flexibility, fall prevention etc. Contact 087.3589734

Ballyhoura Development is currently offering two exciting new courses. The Outdoor Recreation FETAC Level 5 full time course in conjunction with SOLAS will commence this September in Kilfinane and will be run over a 9 month period. Also, the Logistics and Distribution Training Level 5 full time course in conjunction with Cork Education and Training Board will commence in September over a 9 month period in Mitchelstown. Both of these are new and exciting, and there is a great interest in them, so places are filling up quickly! To apply, contact Anisa on 063 20555 or e mail amoynihnan@ballyhoura.org

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FREE, Basic, Introductory Computer Course will run in local Mitchelstown and Fermoy libraries. Every Tuesday for 2 hours for 16 weeks. Commencing Tuesday in early September. Small classes. Open to all. Suitable for complete beginner. Stop by the local library or call Edel on 087 394 0145.

Clogheen Parish News: The Relics of Pope St John Paul will be in St. Mary's Church, Clogheen on Monday 8th September.
All are welcome.....beginning 7pm.

C.L.M. Cuairteoirí Le Muire, Visitors with Mary 1961-2014

Lourdes 2014

Our Lady to St. Bernadette: "I want people to come here"

Special Subsidized Fare -€500. Departures ex: Dublin – Return Transport from Cork

◆ 2nd September 2014 (5 nights). ◆ 7th September 2014 (5 nights)

"Lourdes Theme 2014: The Joy of Conversion"

Further details: C.L.M. H.Q., South Square, Clonakilty, Co. Cork.

Telephone (023) 8833273 – Bookings (085) 861 2405

MITCHELSTOWN LIBRARY:

During the month of August we will be hosting a few free events:

Summer Arts: Free Basher Bacon Puppet Show for children on Thursday the 21st of August at 3pm.

Heritage Week: Bill Piggot will return to Mitchelstown Library with his model of Mitchelstown Railway. 19th August until after Culture Night on 19th September Seamus Fox will host a Genealogy Workshop for beginners on Saturday the 30th August at 2pm

All events are free.

Culture Night 2014: If you are or know of anybody who is interested in showing their crafts in the library for Culture Night (19th of September) can you please contact the library on 025 41939 or email liz.fay@corkcoco.ie

A BIG THANK YOU: A big thank you to everyone who supported the Fionn Doyle Leukaemia Raffle that took place in Tesco, Mitchelstown on Thursday 31st July. Thanks to Shane Dunne who so generously donated two weekend tickets to the Independence Musical and Art Festival. Niamh Landers was the lucky person to win the tickets and the Hamper sponsored by Tesco was won by Tony Murphy. On behalf of the family, Mary Whelan Doyle would like to say a big thank you to Liz Downes (Tesco Community Champion) for her support in making this fundraiser such a huge success.

In our Diocese, there has been an ever increasing desire for more substantial catechetical formation. This is in line with what is happening all over Ireland and is very much consistent with the impassioned prayer, which is taking place for the renewal of the Church in Ireland. As one young dad said recently, "I know I believe, but I am not always sure *why* I believe". In line with study groups already formed in Macroom and Blarney, I would like to bring your attention to two new groups which are commencing in September. In light of this, if you feel something of this nature would be of benefit, you are warmly invited to an information meeting on

- **Monday, September 1st from 7.30pm – 9.15pm at the Nano Nagle Centre in Ballygriffin, Killavullen.**
- **Wednesday, September 3rd from 7.30pm – 9.15pm at the Midleton Park Hotel in Midleton.**

An adult studies programme in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* will commence shortly thereafter in Ballygriffin and in East Cork. For more information, please contact Fr. Seán Corkery at cloynenewevangelisation@gmail.com