

**Recycle and support your local National School**

Ballygiblin National School will be holding a **Used Clothing Collection** on **Thursday 3rd May** in aid of the **School Playground Development Fund**. If you have old clothes, shoes, curtains or household textiles to recycle over the next few weeks, we would be grateful if you could donate them to this collection. Full details of drop off times at a later date.

**Mitchelstown IFA Computer Course for Farmers**

In Glenahulla National School  
End of March  
Subsidised by Ballyhoura Development.  
Contact; Martin (087) 6850315  
Pat (086) 8298680

**Kate's Montessori, Derrynanool, Mitchelstown  
Now enrolling for September 2012**

Contact:  
Hannah Kate O'Brien  
(086) 8237272

**LIAM LAWTON 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY TOUR**

**Church of Mary Conceived without Sin, Mitchelstown**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May**

Doors open 7.30 p.m. – Concert 8.00 p.m.

Plus Special Guests – Bel Canto Choir

Tickets €20 available from The Favourite, Hylands Book Shop, Parish Office, Farrell's Centra and Irishtickets.ie.

Mitchelstown Macra are organising a **'Cycle for Calum' in aid of the Calum Geary Trust on Saturday March 31st**. The route will start in Mitchelstown taking in a distance of approx. 50km including Fermoy, Ballyhooly, Glanworth, Kildorrery and Mitchelstown. Entry is **€30 per person** and is open to all.

If you would like to take part, please contact **085-1150440** or **087-1485999**.

For more information see  
[www.facebook.com/MitchelstownMacra](http://www.facebook.com/MitchelstownMacra)  
or email  
[mitchelstownmacra@gmail.com](mailto:mitchelstownmacra@gmail.com).  
All welcome.

*Ballygiblin National School*

*Enrolments now being taken for*

*September 2012*

*Please phone (025) 24933 by March 30<sup>th</sup> if possible.*

**Names for Eucharistic Congress:**

A number of names were handed in for the Buses for the Eucharistic Congress: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June & Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June. It is a once in a lifetime event and we encourage you to come and to book your seat now by contacting the Parish Office (025) 84062.

**Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter**

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**PRESENTATION ON FATIMA:**

**On Thursday Evening next, March 29<sup>th</sup>, at 8.00p.m.**, there will be a very special presentation on the Message of Fatima in the Parish Church. The presentation will be given by Solvita and Thomas McCormack. The story of Fatima (Portugal) began in 1916, when an Angel appeared a number of times to three little children: Lucia, Jacinta and Francesco. Then on May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1917 Our Lady appeared to them, asking them to come to the same spot on the 13<sup>th</sup> of each month until October. This extraordinary event took place during the 1<sup>st</sup> world war. Our Lady's main concern was the loss of souls through sin. Her principal request was to pray, especially the Rosary every day and to make sacrifice and to do penance. The apparitions concluded on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 1917 with a miracle of the sun, witnessed by thousands of people, many of them unbelievers.

The presentation on Thursday night next, will tell us this great story again and remind us of the prophecy, as yet unfulfilled, that the Immaculate Heart of Mary will one day triumph. Don't miss it!

**Garabandal Meeting:**

The monthly meeting on the Garabandal apparitions will take place **next Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 3.30 p.m.** instead of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, which is the feast of Easter. The meeting will be held in the Town Hall after the Stations of the Cross. All are welcome.

**A word of thanks:**

Thanks to everybody who held the recent Station Masses and to all who made the home deliveries and for the Station offerings received. The Station Masses are a great blessing for the Parish and thanks to everybody for keeping up this great tradition.

The Easter deliveries will be made in the coming week and again we call on our helpers to assist. Thank you all.

*Fr. Michael Fitzgerald P.P.*

**CONFESSION TIMES:**

**MITCHELSTOWN:** Saturday, Eves of Holydays:  
12 - 1p.m. & 7p.m. - 7.30p.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of month: 12 - 1p.m. & 7p.m. - 7.30p.m.  
**NEW:** After Saturday Evening Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month.  
**BALLYGIBLIN:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 7p.m.  
**KILACLUIG:** before 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Mass.

**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.  
1<sup>st</sup> 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. - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday: 7.30p.m.  
**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, KILACLUIG:**  
Sunday & Holyday: 10.30a.m. - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday: 8.15p.m.

**CLERGY:**

V. Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald P.P.  
Phone: 025-84090  
V. Rev. Canon O'Leary C.C. V.F.  
Phone: 025-84088  
Rev. Fr. Greene C.C.  
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Parish Office: 025-84062  
[mitchelstownparishoffice@eircom.net](mailto:mitchelstownparishoffice@eircom.net)  
**DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS**  
**12 NOON WEDNESDAY**

**Office Open:**

10 am to 12 noon - Monday to Friday.  
**Parish Website:**  
[www.mitchelstownparish.ie](http://www.mitchelstownparish.ie)  
**Priest on Sick call this week is:**

**Fr. Greene**  
**Sick Call Contact**  
**Phone Number:**  
**087 - 2524979**

**EUCCHARISTIC HEALING**

**HOUR OF ADORATION:**  
Every Thursday night from  
**8 pm to 9 pm**

*"Do you have a problem with gambling?"*  
**Gamblers Anonymous (GA) meeting in Mitchelstown Every Monday night At 8pm.**  
Please contact GA on 087 - 2859552  
For further details.

**Pharmacy Rota:**  
**Fitzgibbon's Pharmacy**  
Will be open this Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> March  
11.30a.m. To 1.30p.m.

**Christian Brothers Secondary School Mitchelstown**  
Closing date for receipt of enrolment forms for incoming First Year students is **Friday March 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Enrolment forms available from school office

**THANK YOU!**

The C.B.S. Primary Parent Council, Board of Management, Staff and Pupils would like to thank, most sincerely, all the models, boutiques, businesses, trade stands, audience and the numerous people (to many to name) who helped to make their recent Fashion Show a resounding success. A special word of thanks to all our sponsors - without their generous support every year, this Fashion Show could not continue. Imagine this was our 26<sup>th</sup> year running! - what a brilliant testament to all involved down through the years. Our emphasis this year was supporting Local Businesses and Keeping Jobs Local. Hope you all enjoyed the show!  
*Go raibh míle maith agaibh go léir!*

**Mitchelstown Community Council Ltd**  
**A.G.M.**  
**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April**  
**8pm Sharp**  
**Town Hall**  
**All are welcome**

**Gardening Classes**

Commencing in Ozanam Centre  
Saturday 14th April  
For further details please contact  
Mary Ellen Kenneally  
086 / 3893323

**Mitchelstown Citizens Information Centre**

Marian Hall, Convent Hill, Mitchelstown  
Tel: **025 / 84600**  
E-mail: [Mitchelstown@citinfo.ie](mailto:Mitchelstown@citinfo.ie)  
**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.**  
Forms for the Household Charge are available at the Citizen's Information Office.  
Closing date is 30<sup>th</sup> March.

**Mitchelstown**

**Flower & Garden Club**

Meeting in the Town Hall  
**Thursday 29th March at 8.00pm**  
An evening of horticulture and gardening with Mary Ellen Kenneally

**MITCHELSTOWN LAWN TENNIS CLUB**

Easter Juniors Coaching (5-13yr olds)  
**Starting Monday 2nd April** on our brand new courts  
Contact Club Mobile 087 9447387 for more details



**Prayers and Sympathy**

We offer our Prayers and sincere Sympathy to the families of those who died in our Parish recently.

Francis Spillane  
21 Woodlawn  
May he Rest in Peace.

**THE SACRED HEART MESSENGER**

Is still here, better than ever and looking for subscribers and promoters.  
One of our local promoters is:  
ANNA MARIA RUSSELL, (025) 84151  
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Phone (01) 6767491 Price €1.20