

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

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FOR SUCCESS IN STUDY:

O Mary, Mother of fair love, of fear, of knowledge, and of holy hope, by whose loving care and intercession many, otherwise poor in intellect, have wonderfully advanced in knowledge and in holiness, I choose you as the guide and patroness of my studies; and I humbly implore, through the deep tenderness of your maternal love, and especially through the eternal Wisdom who deigned to take from you our flesh and who gifted you beyond all the saints with heavenly light, that you would obtain for me, by your intercession, the grace of the Holy Spirit that I may be able to grasp with strong intellect, retain in memory, proclaim by word and deed, and teach others all things which bring honor to you and to your Son, and which for me and for others are salutary for eternal life. Amen.

Kilbehenny Cycling Club are hosting a Fundraising Cycle on the 9th June with proceeds going to The Kilbehenny Community Hall Development Fund.

There will be three cycles on the day catering for all levels of fitness.

80km - "Tour of the Galtees" incorporating Christ the King. (very fit)

50km - "Galtee/Vee Valley Tour"(moderately fit)

15km - "Family Fun Cycle"

Cost to participate is: - 80km and 50km: €20 for over 16yrs. €10 for under 16yrs

15km: €10 adult/€15 family

Refreshment will be served on route for the longer cycles and All Routes will be catered for at a reception in the community hall on completion of cycle. Certificates will be given out to successful participants.

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CAN YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR?

For the busy person, time is very precious. We give time to many people and to many things every day. Many people and many things make demands on our time. It is no wonder that the Lord asks us for some of our time. He asks us for one hour of our time. Many things can be done quickly, but some things need a definite commitment of time. Among those things is our relationship with one another. Fulfilling friendship, relationships and marriages need time to communicate properly. If we are to have good relationships, we have to switch off distractions and spend time talking and listening to each other properly. The very same applies to our relationship with the Lord. We need to give Him time to talk to Him properly and to listen to Him. The Lord didn't ask for an hour for nothing. By responding to His request will make an enormous difference to our lives.

Corpus Christi Procession:

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This Annual Feastday invites us to express our appreciation for this special gift of the Eucharistic Presence of the Lord. We invite you all and especially the boys and girls who received the 1st Holy Communion recently, to join in the annual procession with the Holy Eucharist through some of the streets of our town. The Eucharistic Blessing to the Town and the Community will be given in the Town Square on next Sunday, June 2nd. The Procession will begin after the 12 o'clock Mass and takes about 45 minutes. **The Procession Route:** Leaving the Church grounds, down Church Hill, turning left on to the Main Street, turning right onto James Street, George's Street, Baldwin Street, Lower Cork Street and returning to the Town Square. We invite you all to come and to bring the family.

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS:

The month of June is traditionally dedicated to the loving and merciful Heart of Jesus. The Novena of prayer in honour of the Sacred Heart begins on Thursday next, May 30th, and concludes on Friday, June 7th, the Feast of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You.

Bus to Knock: Our Lady appeared at Knock, Co. Mayo, on August, 21st 1879.

Fifteen people, of all ages, witnessed the apparition, during a period of two hours.

Saturday, June 1st is the Annual All-Ireland Rosary Day at Knock Shrine and a **bus will leave the Town Square at 7.15am.** Booking through the Parish Office or Sacristan, Pat McEvoy. Adults €20, Children €15.

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

Mitchelstown Carmelite Lourdes Group: Would you like to become a “Blue Tie” with the group? New members always welcome. 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

Mitchelstown Community Council A.G.M. was held recently in the Town Hall, the following were elected: Liam O’Doherty - Chairman, Ellen Fitzgibbon - Secretary, Mary Dennehy - Treasurer, Therese Horgan - PRO.
Guest speaker on the night was Mr. John Hogan, President of Muintir na Tire, William Lambe was recently elected for the area of Abbey Farm & Carraigroe. Upcoming project for MCC is the recently acquired Forrest Hall, work on this building will commence shortly and we expect it will be complete by Jan 2015. MCC would like to thank all those who supported their fundraising Table Quiz recently in the Hunters Rest, Mitchelstown.
We appreciate the support on the night from the participants and a special word of thanks to John Hickey, quiz master, the management & staff of the Hunters Rest and Dave Mulcahy for the sound equipment.

Mitchelstown Flower & Garden Club are hosting a Teaching Work night with Theresa Collins in the Town Hall on Thursday night 30th May at 8pm Everyone welcome.

International Welly Throwing Champs at Mitchelstown GAA pitch on Bank Holiday Monday June 3rd at 1 pm hosted by Fanahan McSweeney AC.
20 London throwers on a stag party wish to take on all comers.
Events from kiddies to masters.

See Facebook/ fanahanmcsweeneyac or contact (087)3589734

- June 1st – 2nd ~ Festival of Galtees.
- June 3rd ~ International Welly Throwing
~ Fan McSweeney AC Sports 1pm
- 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 16th ~ MS Galtee Mountain Walk
- 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.

PRESIDENT’S COUSIN IN TOWN: Henry Healy (Barak Obama’s cousin) Coordinator at Ireland reaching out will speak at meeting in Firgrove Hotel Thursday may 30th at 7.30pm. All Invited by Mitchelstown Gathering to attend.

Mitchelstown Community Based Drugs project is now located in the room next to the Citizens Information Office , Marian Hall, Convent Hill, one day per week, usually on a Monday but this day can occasionally vary, depending on bank holidays etc. Mary Macksey the Project worker can be contacted on a new email address: Email: mary@cdys.ie Tel: 086 – 0439702

Mitchelstown Community Preschool (Mary Milward’s) has an available place for one child for the coming school year. Please contact the preschool for further details or James on 087-7807810.

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.

AROMA would appreciate your help for a Clean – Up next Tuesday night, 28th May at 7.00pm for the Corpus Christi Procession. We will meet at the Square and clean the route which is – Main St., James St., George’s St., Baldwin St., Church Hill and New Square. We hope that you will support this special event.