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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 10AM WEDNESDAY

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Church of Our Lady Conceived Without Sin, Mitchelstown:

MASS TIMES: Saturday & Eve of Holy Day: 7.30pm
Sunday & Holy Day: 8.30am, 11.30am & 7.30pm.
Weekdays: 8.30am & 10.00am
First Fridays: 8.30am, 10.00am & 7.30.m.
Bank Holidays: 11am
MORNING PRAYER: Monday – Friday: 8.00am
CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 12.00-1.00pm & 7.00-7.30pm
EUCHARISTIC HEALING HOUR: Thursday evening at **8.00pm – 9.00pm.**
With Special reflection on the life of St. Pio, Eucharistic Healing Blessing and Blessing with Relic of St. Pio.
DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS: Friday at **3.00pm.** All welcome.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, BALLYGIBLIN

MASS TIMES:
Sunday & Holy Day: 9.30 a.m. First Friday: 7.30 p.m.
CONFESSIONS: First Friday: *Before Mass*

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, KILLACLUIG

MASS TIMES:
Sunday & Holy Day: 10.30 a.m. First Friday: 6.30p.m.
CONFESSIONS: First Friday: *Before Mass*

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: We thank Team "D". Team "A" take over next weekend.

CHURCH DOOR COLLECTORS FOR SEPTEMBER: We thank those who collected during August. The Collectors for September take over next weekend.

Vigil 7.30pm: Jimmy Walsh, Pat Manning, Tom Lucey & Seamus Carey
8.30am: Con Hogan, Neil Egan, Matt Sullivan & Seán Finn.
11.30am: Donal Smith, John Crowley, Billy Ryan & Mike Condon.
7.30pm: Michael Boland, Verling Fitzgerald, & Michael Kilkenny.

Next Sunday is the 1st Sunday of the Month, the Diocesan Religious Purposes Collection will be taken up at all Masses.

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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A Word of Thanks to Fr. Patrick:

Fr. Patrick Cahill has been a frequent visitor to the Parish of Mitchelstown for almost eight years. Fr. Patrick volunteered his services generously to us, with the blessing of Bishop Crean and his Superior Fr. Paul Sigel, (Founder of the Religious Community: The Family of Mary, based in Slovakia and Rome). Fr. Patrick, who comes from Thurles, joined the Community when he was a student at U.C.L. a number of years ago and studied for the Priesthood in Rome. Fr. Patrick also brought a number of the Sisters of his Community to visit us over the years. Fr. Patrick has greatly enriched us over the years, by his exemplary life, by his challenging homilies, by his devotion to the youth and their Religious formation. The Summer Faith Camp over the years has given hundreds of children the joyful experience of faith. Fr. Patrick, through his ministry, has touched many people in the Parish and beyond. He has also given fantastic support and direction to the Youth 2000 Group and to numerous initiatives in the parish. He also gave of his time generously to all the schools of the Parish and to the celebration of the different Sacraments and liturgies and shared his musical talents with us. In the past year he devoted an enormous amount of time and work as Chaplain to the Presentation Secondary School. Fr. Patrick is an inspiring young priest, who is a tireless worker and unashamedly Catholic and proud of Catholic Faith and doctrine. He believes passionately that we should have a greater understanding of our Catholic beliefs and the beauty of our Catholic Faith.

Fr. Patrick has now committed himself to the Holy Family School of Formation for young people in Glencomeragh, under the direction of Bishop Phonsie Cullinan in the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore. Fr. Patrick will continue to visit the Presentation Secondary School and to visit us periodically, but beginning now, his principal commitment will be to the Holy Family Mission in Glencomeragh.

We express our deep gratitude to him. We assure him of our prayers. We assure him of a special place in our hearts and a welcome to come to us whenever he is able. Thank you Fr. Patrick and may the Lord reward you for all you have done among us.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

The sympathy of the Parish Community is extended to the family and friends of -

Arthur Coughlan, *Clonkilla*.

Mary Reddy, (*née O'Gorman*), *formerly Ballinamona*

Who died recently.

May They Rest In Peace

FAITH CAMP – LOST & FOUND:

A number of items were left in the Town Hall after the Faith Camp. Any lost items - please contact Catherine Hanley (087) 7727496.

O'Keeffe Clan Gathering 9th-11th Sept. in Dromtarriffe Hall, Kanturk, we have numerous activities planned. All welcome. Tickets for bus tours & banquet, **contact 087-2547498 OR 086-8248537 okeeffeclans.com/ Facebook O'Keeffe Clan Rally 2016 for more information.**

Waterford /S.E. Region Charismatic Conference 2016: "GOD OF MERCY & COMPASSION" Saturday September 17th & Sunday September 18th starting at 10am both days. The Rhu Glenn Hotel, Slieverue, Co. Kilkenny, Via Waterford. Speakers: Michelle Moran ICCRS & Fr. Pat Collins CM. Organise by Word of God Outreach. Contact Síle 086 859 0394/Mossy 087-213 6812 Door €25 Pre-booking not necessary.

Anam Cara, the national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Wednesday 7th of September from 7.30pm to 9.00pm in Brú Columbanus, Cardinal Way, Wilton, Cork (please note change of venue). This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

If you are interested in finding out more about the **Poor Clare Vocation**, you are very welcome to our next Vocations Afternoon on Saturday September 17th from 2pm to 4.30pm, at our Poor Clare Monastery, College Road, Cork. Some Sisters will be available to talk to you informally about our contemplative Poor Clare vocation.

Mary Immaculate College, Alumni Reunion 1st October 2016

Did you graduate in 2006 /2001 /1996 /1991 /1986 /1981 /1976/ 1971/1966/ 1961/ 1956 /1951/ 1946?

MIC is welcoming back its Alumni on Saturday 1st October 2016 from 1.30pm - 5pm. This is the perfect opportunity to meet up with old friends, and reacquaint yourself with the College. Members of other class years are also very welcome. Should you wish to attend, please advise us in advance, via Email: alumni@mic.ul.ie and put "Class Reunion" in the subjectline.

Few months remain of this Jubilee Year of Mercy and one of Ireland's oldest places of pilgrimage, **Lough Derg**, offers One Day Retreats on 4th, 6th, 7th, 10th, 12th, 13th, 17th, 18th & 24th September. Take time out in the nurturing peace of the Island and cross the threshold of the Holy Door in St Patrick's Basilica.

Places are still available on two alternative Special Retreat Days – 'A Day of Friendship & Prayer' on Wednesday 14th September. This ecumenical day is an opportunity to gather as a Christian pilgrim family. Guest Speaker: Most Reverend Patricia Storey, Church of Ireland, Bishop of Meath & Kildare 'Living With Suicide' on Wednesday 21st September. This day offers those who have been affected by suicide in any way an opportunity for deeper understanding and support to 'make sense of it all'. Guest Speakers: Conor Mc Cafferty, ZEST - Healing the Hurt - & Geraldine Kennedy, a personal experience.

Advance booking is essential for all Retreats. For further information contact Maureen or Lorraine on 071 9861518.

email: info@loughderg.org

www.loughderg.org

Back to School: Summer 2016 has passed, the Leaving Cert Results are history and we all look ahead to another school year. We thank the Lord for keeping everybody safe during the holidays. We wish all our teachers and pupils every Blessing as they begin another year. We thank Mr. Tadhg Long, Principal of St. Fanahan's, who has moved to another school, for his caring work among us. We welcome his replacement Mr. Edward Cronin, and wish him well in his new appointment. We also thank Ms. Aisling Wallace, Principal of Glenahulla, who has done wonderful work in the school. Ms. Wallace has stepped down as Principal and will continue her teaching post. Ms. Wallace has been replaced by Mr Kieran Scanlan. We welcome him to the school and wish him well in his new appointment.

Prayer for the New School Year

Thank You God for this new school year.

Help me to use it well by doing my best.

Open my mind to everything I am taught this year.

May I give the teachers attention and respect.

May I give the other children courtesy and kindness.

Please be with me as I learn and as I play.

Guide me in all that I do and in all that I say.

Amen