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**DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 10AM WEDNESDAY**

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

**Parish Website: www.mitchelstownparish.ie**

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- **First Friday Masses & Confessions** as per list below.
- **First Saturday Devotions:** In honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary after 10.00am Mass **next** Saturday.
- **Feastday:** Saturday is the Feast of St. John Mary Vianney (Patron Saint of all Priests)

**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 & 7.30pm.

**Bank Holidays:** 11am

**MORNING PRAYER:** Monday – Friday: 8.00am

**ROSARY:** Monday – Saturday: 9.45am

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday: 12.00-1.00pm & 7.00-7.30pm  
Eve of First Fridays & Eve of Holy Days: 12.00-1.00pm & 7.00-7.30pm

**We encourage families to practice monthly Confession**

**DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS:** Friday at **3.00pm**. All welcome.

**EUCHARISTIC HEALING HOUR:** Thursday evening at **8.00pm – 9.00pm** with reflections on the Life of St. Pio, Eucharistic Healing Blessing and Blessing with the Relic of St. Pio.

**Church of the Holy Family, Ballygiblin**

**MASS TIMES:** Sunday & Holy Day: **9.30am.** First Friday: **7.30pm.**

**CONFESSIONS:** First Friday: **7.00pm.**

**St. Joseph’s Church, Killacluig**

**MASS TIMES:** Sunday & Holy Day: **10.30am.** First Friday: **6.30pm.**

**CONFESSIONS:** First Friday: **6.00pm.**

# Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

**Volume: 10 Issue: 3 Date: Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

**Faith Camp 2018:** The Parish is grateful to Fr. Patrick Cahill and to all the organisers of this year’s Summer Faith Camp. Ninety children and fifty volunteers were involved in the Camp this year. The success of the Camp demands a lot of preparation and the help and support of a lot of people. This work and preparation goes on over several months. Central to the Camp are Jesus and Mary. There is music, laughter, kindness, love and care. While the weather is not suitable for farming, it was ideal for the Camp. A carefully planned programme was followed over the four days and the needs of the age group of the children were carefully considered. Various lessons on the faith were conducted with drama, arts & crafts, music and song, culminating in the beautiful celebrations of Mass each day. A lot of work went into the safeguarding and protection of the children at all times. There is also the hard work of the ‘tidy-up’ each day and the social and spiritual gatherings of the volunteers. The parish is most grateful to everybody for the making of such a memorable and happy faith-event for the children and for everybody involved. It is a great event to have in the parish and thanks to all the families for participating. When we celebrate our faith in this manner, there is the deepest and greatest joy.

**Global Disturbance:** The extreme weather is affecting ourselves and many parts of the world at present, with great loss of life, especially in Greece this past week. Let us reflect on these disturbing events in the light of the recent message of Our Lady last Wednesday in Medjugorje: **“Dear Children! God called me to lead you to Him and to trust in Him, because He is your refuge from every evil that lurks and carries souls far from the grace and joy to which you were called. Little children, live Heaven here on earth, so that it will be good for you; and may the commandments of God be a light on your way. I am with you and I love you all with my motherly love. Thank you for having responded to my call”**. The apparitions of Medjugorje began on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1981. They have been the subject of many Church investigations. The most recent Vatican commission has given approval to the 1<sup>st</sup> week of apparitions; subsequent apparitions are still subject to investigation and Vatican approval. Pope Francis last week sent retired Polish Cardinal Hoser to Medjugorje to give pastoral guidance to the pilgrims going there. He will remain in the Town for an indefinite period. Despite all the upheaval going on in the world at present, let us place our trust in God anew and follow His Light.

**“Love and Life in Marriage”, A conference celebrating the Church’s vision for sexuality and marriage on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Humanae Vitae.** Venue: **Carlton Hotel Dublin Airport, Saturday August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2pm – 6pm.** No prior registration required. No set entry fee – donation only. Intro from: Bishop Kevin Doran (Diocese of Elphin). Speakers: Dr William Newton, PhD (Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio), Dr Marie Meaney, PhD (I.T.I, Vienna), Dr Maria Fedoryka, PhD (Ave Maria University, Florida). <http://www.loveandlife2018.com>

**Mitchelstown Citizens Information Centre**, Marian Hall, Convent Hill, Mitchelstown  
– **Will be closed from 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> August inclusive**  
and will re-open on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August usual hours.

Tel: **0761 07 8030** E-mail: **Mitchelstown@citinfo.ie**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 1.30p.m. to 4.30p.m.**

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**Youth 2000 Summer Festival**, Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2018**. For young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people, with over 1000 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation only. Free buses travelling from all around Ireland. For more info and to book online, see **www.youth2000.ie**

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**Get your Summer Holiday Reading at the Ozanam Shop**, Thomas Street, Mitchelstown, 025 84733. Fiction €2; Non-Fiction €1; Children's Books 50c. Opening Hours: Mon – Fri: 10am–1pm & 2pm–4.45pm, Sat: 10am–1pm. All proceeds go to your local Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

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**Bus to Knock for Popes Visit on 26<sup>th</sup> August** leaving Mitchelstown at 2am. Returning from Knock at 3pm. Contact Brigit on 086-3594571 for booking and details.

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Contact **Irish Clan Search** to solve a family mystery / guide to find living cousins, tracing family trees, property records, civil & church, emigration, wills / DNA  
Contact Seamus on 087.3589734

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**Healthcare Support Studies (QQI Level 5). First Component - Care Skills (5N2770). Fridays, 9.30am-1.45pm. From Mid-September 2018**

- Part time course
- FREE for those without a Leaving Cert
- FREE for early school leavers already working
- FREE for those on Social Welfare payments
- FREE For Medical Card/GP Only Card Holders
- Ideal for Jobseekers in Healthcare
- Full QQI Level 5 Award Offered

**VENUE: Cork ETB Adult Education Centre, Rathealy Road, Fermoy**  
**To apply, please contact: (025) 49932 or (022) 55452**

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160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 1858/2018: Limited seats available on the **Mitchelstown Carmelite Lourdes Pilgrimage** in September. For anyone still interested in travelling please forward your name to Paddy Seery on 083-8098286.

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**Mass for Healing of Families**, in the **Church of the Assumption, Ballylanders**, on **Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, at 8pm**. Celebrant: Fr. Brendan Walsh SAC Pallottines, Thurles.

Hymns of Praise & Worship. Mass for Healing of Families and Ancestral Tree  
Eucharistic Blessing & Prayers for Healing. Enquiries: Mary 087-7873743.

All Welcome.

**AUGUST 2018:** We thank those who collected during July. The Collectors for August take over next weekend.

**Vigil 7.30pm:** Mike Howard & Pat Manning & Bridget Sherlock.

**8.30am:** Michael Boland, Neil Egan & Con Hogan.

**11.30am:** Seamus Carey, Brian Neville & Willie Ahern & Tom O'Brien.

**7.30pm:** Tom Lucy & Verling Fitzgerald.

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

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**GET UP AND GO CLUBA.R.A. Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July, Town Hall from 2pm to 4pm.**

**A Perfume Party & Makeup.** FM World by Teri Heffernan. Light Refreshments. Also **Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> August, Town Hall from 2pm to 4pm. Fashion Show** by Suzza Fashions. Come Early and bring a friend.

Some spaces for Scotland left. Contact Diane 087-1478030 or Mai 087-6283266

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**Cashel and Emly Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August.** Bus leaves from Kildorrery at 6.30am and The Square, Mitchelstown at 6.45am. For booking and details please contact Bridget Fitzgerald after 7pm on 086 3594571.

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The **Annual Padre Pio Ceremonies** commemorating the most wonderful day in his life, his Ordination to the Priesthood on August 10<sup>th</sup> 1910 will be celebrated in the **CHURCH OF THE HOLYSPIRIT, DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK at 2.30pm on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> August**. The Mass will be concelebrated by the Rev. Canon Michael Fitzgerald with visiting and resident priests. The Religious Ceremonies will include: Recitation of the Holy Rosary, Concelebrated Mass, Anointing of the Sick, Benediction, Blessing of the Sick and Blessing with St. Pio First Class Relics. Confessions are also being heard on the day. Everyone is invited to participate in the Ceremonies.

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### **Pope Francis' Prayer for Countering "Fake News"**

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Help us to recognize the evil latent in a communication that does not build communion.

Help us to remove the venom from our judgements.

Help us to speak about others as our brothers and sisters.

You are faithful and trustworthy; may our words be seeds of goodness for the world:

where there is **shouting**, let us **practise listening**;

where there is **confusion**, let us **inspire harmony**;

where there is **ambiguity**, let us **bring clarity**;

where there is **exclusion**, let us **offer solidarity**;

where there is **sensationalism**, let us **use sobriety**;

where there is **superficiality**, let us **raise real questions**;

where there is **prejudice**, let us **awaken trust**;

where there is **hostility**, let us **bring respect**;

where there is **falsehood**, let us **bring truth**.

Amen.

*Pope Francis, message for World Communications Day 2018*