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

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●**Route for Corpus Christi Procession:** The Procession will take place next **Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> after 11.30am Mass.** The Route will be the same as last year: Chapel Hill, Main Street, Lr. Cork Street, Baldwin Street & Thomas Street and finishing in the Town Hall Grounds with Benediction. We invite all homes and businesses to be suitably decorated for the occasion. We encourage you all and your family to participate. We also invite Parish Groups and particularly all the children of the Parish who have received their First Holy Communion to participate.

●**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 12 – 1.00pm & 7.00 -7.30pm in the Parish Church.

● **EUCCHARISTIC HEALING HOUR:** Thursday evening **8.00pm to 9.00pm** with reflections Sacred Heart of Jesus and Eucharistic Healing Blessing.

**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  
Saturday morning: 10.00am only

**FIRST FRIDAYS:** 8.30am, 10.00am & 7.30pm.

**BANK HOLIDAYS:** 11am

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

**ROSARY:** Monday – Saturday: 9.45am

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

**Church of the Holy Family, Ballygiblin**

**MASS TIMES:** Saturday & Eve of Holy Day: **6.00pm**.  
Confessions after Mass on the First Saturday of the Month

**St. Joseph’s Church, Killacluig**

**MASS TIMES:** Sunday & Holy Day: **10.00am**.  
Confessions after 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Mass

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**Corpus Christi Procession:** The Annual Procession will take place **next Sunday after 11.30am Mass.** Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the grounds of the Town Hall. It is a very special event for the Parish, as we honour the Lord in the Eucharist and ask His Blessing on our Town and our Parish. For a 2<sup>nd</sup> year we return to the grounds of the old Parish Church, where our ancestors worshipped for many years in more difficult times. If you would like to carry the canopy along the route, please give your name in the Sacristy or Parish Office and we will explain what you have to do. The Holy Eucharist is the Heart of our Faith, please participate in the Procession and honour the great gift of the Real Presence of Jesus among us.

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**St. Fanahan’s Well:** The Annual Mass will take place at the Well on Monday week, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. The Well is a special place of solitude in the Parish and of special devotion to our Patron, St. Fanahan. The Annual open air Mass is a special gathering for the Parish. All welcome.

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**30 Years of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration:** On Saturday week **June 29<sup>th</sup>** we will celebrate 30 years of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in the Parish. We will celebrate the Anniversary on that Saturday morning at 10.00am Mass. Fr. John Keane C.C. Macroom, will be the Main Celebrant of the Mass. Eucharistic Adoration has been great blessing for the Parish and for the locality and we give thanks to God for all the people who made it possible. New Adorers are needed and welcome to continue to acknowledge the gift of the Real Presence of Jesus. It requires a commitment of one hour of the week in the company of the King of Kings. As we celebrate this special anniversary, may God bless us in a special way. All are welcome to the special Mass, Fr. John will lead prayers for healing at the end of Mass.

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**Corpus Christi Procession Committee:** will meet in the Parish Church Sacristy on Tuesday Evening (18<sup>th</sup> June) at 6.30pm. All helpers and volunteers welcome.

**Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration:** Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June is the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in Mitchelstown. Fr. John Keane, Spiritual Director of Eucharistic Adoration in the Diocese will be the Main Celebrant at 10am Mass on that day, in the Parish Church, Mitchelstown. It will be a Mass of thanksgiving. He will conduct a time of Adoration after Mass to 11.00am. All are welcome.

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**St Thérèse – The Little Flower” Summer Faith Camp. For Boys & Girls aged 6-12 years.** This year’s Faith Camp will run from Monday July 22<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday July 25<sup>th</sup> in the Town Hall. For more details contact Catherine Hanley 087-7727496

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The **Mitchelstown Branch of Cope Foundation** are preparing for a **Fundraising "POP UP SHOP" in Forrest Hall, New Square, Mitchelstown on June 20<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 3pm.** To add to our collection we would welcome donations of any saleable items, Clothing, Footwear, Handbags, Jewellery, Tableware, Books, Potted plants, Toys/Games/Puzzles, Unwanted gifts, etc. Items can be collected any time before 5pm on June 18<sup>th</sup>. We are unable to accept any goods on day of event. Contact Mary on 087 – 2295839.

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**Corpus Christi Procession 2019: The Feast of Corpus Christi is on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Procession will take place after 11.30am Mass on that Sunday.** The Carmelite Lourdes Group will take charge of the Canopy and Guard of Honour, but **we invite volunteers to carry the Canopy at various intervals. Names of those who would like this honour, to be given in the Parish Office or the Sacristy.**

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**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June: ‘Celtic Spirituality’** led by Trinita Laffan pbvm will explore origins, festivals and questions for church and society into the future. 10am— 2.30pm. Bring a packed lunch; cost €30 incl. tea/coffee. Booking required: Nano Nagle Birthplace 022 26411 [www.nanonaglebirthplace.ie](http://www.nanonaglebirthplace.ie)

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**Foróige** are running a Practical Politics for YOUTH Programme for young people aged 15-17 years of age from Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 11am to 3pm in Fermoy please contact Sharon Buckley for more information on [sharon.buckley@foroige.ie](mailto:sharon.buckley@foroige.ie) or 086-4145732

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Dear Community Members, I wish to alert you to a **Digital Skills Training** offer through **Ballyhoura Development** aimed at those of you actively involved in Community Organisations. As a local community group member, would you like to improve communications within your group and community? If so.....

**Ballyhoura Development will run a number of these courses if the interest exists. If you are interested and would like this support please contact Carrie O’Donoghue on [codonoghue@ballyhoura.org](mailto:codonoghue@ballyhoura.org) or by phone 063-20517. If you could do so by Friday June 28<sup>th</sup> that would be appreciated.** Those interested will be contacted with dates, venues, locations and times, most suitable. We look forward to hearing from you.

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**Eucharistic Adoration:** We invite you to come and spend an hour of prayer and adoration before the Lord in the Adoration Chapel. Share with Him. Let Him give you many wondrous graces and blessings for spending some time with Him. We are looking for new adorers for the following Adoration Hours: **Monday mornings 6am – 7am, Friday mornings 5.30am – 6.00am (half hour), Friday nights 10pm – 11pm.** Contact Nora Hogan (025) 24149 or Catherine on 087 7727496.

**CARING FOR OUR RETIRED PRIESTS.** The Annual Collection for Retired Priests will take place at all Masses on this weekend, June 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.

The retirement age for priests of this Diocese is 75. When our present retirement policy for priests was brought in, the age profile meant, that a commercial pension plan was not possible, so the Diocese had to provide for our retired priests. Funds to do this were raised in three ways.

- Money was invested so the interest could be used. Unfortunately, the return on this investment has declined seriously over the past year and looks likely to remain low for the foreseeable future.
- Parishes gave 5% of the door collection. Since 2001, this contribution has risen to 7.5%.
- Working priests gave an annual contribution, and continue to do so.

As the number of retired priests grew, more funds were needed to support them, so nine years ago, an annual collection for retired priests was added. Last year that collection brought in €48,727.00

A similar generous response to this collection this year will help the Diocese to continue to be able to care for our retired priests, many of whom have given over fifty years of service to us.

You may also help to support our retired priests in the following ways:

- Make a donation directly to the fund. A donation of €250 or over, will allow the fund to claim back the tax you have paid on the amount you give, thus increasing the amount received at no cost to yourself. If you wish to do this, please specify so when you make the donation.
- Consider making a bequest for this purpose in your Will.

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**C.B.S. Primary News:** The purchase of the adjacent field by the Board of Management of C.B.S. Primary is a huge event in the history of the school. It was an opportunity which could not have been overlooked. The field is a considerable asset, which will be invaluable to the school for generations to come. The fundraising efforts, including Golf Classic and Lip-Sync, over the June Bank Holiday weekend, were a resounding success. There was support from the whole of Mitchelstown and beyond. Once all monies are in and tallied, the Board of Management will let you know the final figure.

**ALL WELCOME** to join with **C.B.S. Primary** staff and pupils for their **Annual End of Year Mass**, to thank God for a wonderful school year. This Mass will be celebrated in the **Parish Church on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> June at 11.15am.** All at CBS Primary would like to sincerely thank the people of Mitchelstown and its environs, for their continued goodwill and co-operation.

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**RECENTLY DECEASED:** The sympathy of the Parish Community is extended to the family and friends of  
Fr. Billy Casey, Ballygiblin  
Who died recently. *May He Rest In Peace*

**NEWLY BAPTISED:** We welcome into our Catholic Community, through the Sacrament of Baptism: **Clodagh McCarthy. Noah Fitzgerald.**