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, KILLACLUIG: 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. <u>KILLACLUIG</u>: **BALLYGIBLIN:** 1st Friday 7p.m. before 1st Friday Mass. **CLERGY:** V. Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald P.P. V.F. Phone: 025-84090. V. Rev. Canon O'Leary C.C. Phone: 025-84088 Parish Office: 025-84062 (9am-12pm) Rev. Fr. Greene C.C. Phone: 025-84077. E-MAIL: mitchelstownparishoffice@eircom.net DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 12 NOON WEDNESDAY Office Open: 9 am to 12 noon - Monday to Friday. Parish Website: www.mitchelstownparish.ie Sick Call Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

Set Dance Class: Wednesday night dancing in the Rathcormac Inn from 8.30-10.30pm. All welcome, especially men. Enquiries to Fionán Cogan on 087 818 5111 or email ceilifit@gmail.com

CareBright is a long established Irish homecare provider. Our focus is caring for and supporting people to live independently in their own homes. We have been providing homecare services to the community since 1998. We are a service provider for the HSE, in the form of Home Care Grants, Home Help Services, Chiropody, and Subsidised Hours in the home, while also providing care for clients in a private capacity. We provide care for the elderly, people with disabilities, post surgery, people who require specialised services, companionship or general support in the home. Our focus is you and your loved ones. We have a team of approximately 250 carers, managed and supported by six Care Managers who are all qualified nurses with many years experience. Our Care Managers work closely with carers, clients, families, Public Health and Community nurses, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, GP and other members of the Multi-Disciplinary team to ensure person centered care is delivered in the home. At CareBright we work with you the service user, offering a high quality service that aims to be of service to you. Whatever your need, we are a homecare provider of the very highest quality that is designed to meet your requirements. We are a homecare provider that offers a wide range of homecare services to suit all needs and budgets. www.CareBright.ie Care Bright: Limerick Head Office, The Health Centre, Knockainey Road, Hospital, Co. Limerick Telephone No: 1800 303412 Cork Head Office, New Line Charleville, Co Cork, Telephone 063-89878

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The Triumph:

"The Triumph" is a powerful documentary, investigating one of the greatest mysterie in the modern world: The apparitions of Medjugorje. The film will be shown in the Omniplex Cinema, Mahon, Cork for one week, beginning Friday, November 29th. is an opportunity to learn some more about the events.

A Time To Prepare:

The time coming up to the great Feast of Christmas is extremely busy for most of us, but we must make time to prepare ourselves and our family for the birthday of Our Saviour, the Lord Jesus. The liturgy of the Church helps us to do this with some beautiful scripture readings, both from the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Bibl The liturgy encourages us to renew our devotion to the Lord by heartful prayer, fasting, self-denial and acts of love and sharing. Let us make a decision this weekend to create a space for the Lord, for ourselves and our family during the four weeks of Advent. Let us to decide to make a visit to the Church, pray together as a family, go t a daily Mass, reach out to family members or to people in need. It could be any one of these things, but let us really try to focus on the message and presence of the Lord.

We would like to Thank everyone for the tremendous response to last week's special Trocaire Collection for the victims of the Philippines disaster and the Syrian War. The total collected was €6,041.58. Thanks to all the collectors for their help with this special collection.

Fermoy Committee of Cork Mental Health invite you to join with them in a evening of reflection, remembrance, light and hope to guide us through the Christmas Season. Sunday 8th December, St Patrick's Church, Fermoy - 7.30pr All very welcome.

Drop in for people Bereaved by Suicide - Our December drop in for people bereave by suicide will held on Monday 2nd December, in the Cahill Room, Fermo Community Resource Centre, McCurtain Street from 7.30 - 9.00pm. The comin together of those similarly bereaved in an informal, non therapeutic setting provide support and understanding for those who have experienced the loss of a loved or through suicide.

Mitchelstown Youth Cafe are holding a walk in the town for Suicide Awareness on this Sunday, December 1st leaving the New Square at 1pm.

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SANTA AT T.O. PARK: <u>This</u> Sunday December 1st from 1.30pm onwards.

Free Parcels and Photos. Christmas Fare with Spin the Wheel. Trip to Dublin City & Blancherstown: Saturday December 7th leaving New Square at 5.45am. Book your seat by calling Deci on 086 – 4005727 or Stella on 025 - 24009

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Collection will take place **NEXT WEEKEND** 7th & 8th **December** in all Churches of the Parish. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Active Retirement are putting on an Art Exhibition ' Circle of Friends' at Mitchelstown Library for month of December, - make a lovely Christmas gift!

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CHANGE IN OPENING HOURS - Mitchelstown Citizens Information Centre

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

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

Monday & Thursday 1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

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Ballygiblin Baby & Toddler Group: Do you have a baby or toddler? Are you interested in meeting up? The baby & toddler group has started in the old school in Ballygiblin, all welcome!!!! It is on **Mondays** <u>at 10.30 am</u>.

Please contact Stephen Dalton on $\underline{087-2448682}$ if you are interested or pass it on to someone who would be. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Ballindangan Community Council:

The Monday Morning Club: A newly formed group based in Ballindangan Hall. It's a Christmas theme for the next few meetings.

Monday 9th December: Come along and make your own Christmas wreath.

People will be on hand to help you.

Monday 16th December: Decorate your own Christmas cake. Again help will be available to you.

This is an open invitation to all would like to call to Ballindangan Hall on the above stated Monday mornings from 10.30am for a cuppa and a chat and not forgetting of course getting a bit of help in preparing for the Christmas. A nominal fee of €2 each will be charged for expenses incurred and hire of the hall.

Any enquiries ring Norma at 086 - 8332623

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Ozanam Resource Centre Mitchelstown 025-84733

Courses ongoing in the Ozanam Centre for details of all our courses visit: www.ozanamcomputers.com or phone 025 84733

<u>Seasons for Growth – Living with Loss</u>: 20 hour course for adults run over 8 weeks (2 ½ hours per week) It will provide the opportunity to explore the effects of grief and change in your life in a safe and respectful environment. Venue: Ozanam Centre, Mitchelstown For more information call-Patricia 021/4666180 or Bríd 025 84733

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Knockadea Community & Sports Club: (at the old school site) The Nativity Pageant & Santa's Visit on Friday December 6th. Santa arrives at 7.30pm. The Pageant starts at 8.45pm

MITCHESTOWN LIONS CLUB LIGHT UP THE SQUARE

Mitchelstown Lions Club will light up the Christmas Tree this Friday the 6th of December at 6pm. It promises to be a great evening with Carols from the CBS Primary; the Fire Brigade will also be there and of course Santa himself!!!

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Fermoy Hospital Fundraising Concert December 6th Corrin Event Centre

Louise Morrissey, Gary Gamble and the Ryan Turner Band followed by dancing to lively four piece band Allegro.

Wine reception 7 p.m. Concert 8 p.m. Party food served.

Tickets great value €25 available from Corrin Event Centre, Supervalu Fermoy, CCM Mitchelstown, Cheers Bar Fermoy, Fermoy Hospital and other outlets

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BRIGHT SPARKS: Planning a day off or a day to get organised for Christmas. Let us take care of your baby or children...QUALIFIED STAFF.... SAFE AND FUN ENVIRONMENT. DROP OFF CLUB open each day and children of all ages are welcome. PRICES FROM €7. SCHOOL DROP/COLLECTION AVAILABLE EACH DAY.

HOURS OF OPENING 7.30am TO 6.15pm. CONTACT US AT 025-86799 OR 086-2653839

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The **CBS Secondary Parents Council**, would like to thank Tesco, Principal & Staff of the School, our Volunteers and everyone who donated to our Bag Pack on the 8th November, to help refurbish our playing field.

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Cork County Macra News: Novice Debating: Last Friday, Fermoy and Glanmire Macra novice debating teams went head to head in the semi final of the Cork County Macra na Feirme novice debating competition in The Fir Tree Watergrasshill. The motion was that celebrities are bad role models for young people. Glanmire were proposing and Fermoy were opposing. In the end the motion was carried and Glanmire Macra will compete in the final against Freemount Macra. The final will be hosted by the Imokilly region and the details of this are yet to be confirmed. Congratulations to Laura Geary from Fermoy Macra who won the best speaker award and to Kathleen Fitzgerald from Glanmire who won the best team captain award. Caitríona Fox, a member of Ballyhoura club and Cork County PRO was presiding officer and Kevin Walsh of Innishannon Macra & Cork County Macra President was time keeper. Sincere thanks to The Fir Tree Watergrasshill for the venue. Racing for Macra: The national "Racing for Macra" night will take place on Curraheen Greyhound Stadium next Saturday night, November 30th. Tickets cost only $\notin 10$ and are available from all Macra club members. Capers: The Cork County Capers final will take place on Friday 13th December 2013 in Bandon GAA Hall. More details coming soon. Enquiries to Caitríona Fox on 086-3760487. Join Macra: If you are interested in joining Macra in any part of Cork County please contact Caitríona Fox on 086-3760487 for more details. Check out www.facebook.com/corkmacra.

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We at **Sue Ryder Shop** Mitchelstown would like to wish all our customers and friends a very happy Christmas and a peaceful new year. We have lots of bargains in store plus we are running a Christmas raffle with first prize of a dolls house and many other great prizes kindly donated by some of the local businesses. We also have a range of new dolls houses and furniture which would make an ideal gift for Christmas. Thank you for your continued support. *Sue Ryder foundation*.