CLERGY:

V. Rev. Canon Fitzgerald P.P., V.F. Phone: 025-84090.

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First Friday Masses as per list below.

Marshalstown Cemetery: The Annual Mass will take place in the Cemetery on ThisMonday, July 3rd at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Church of Our Lady Conceived Without Sin, Mitchelstown:

MASS TIMES:

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday & Eve of Holy Day: 7.30pm

Sunday & Holy Day: 8.30am, 11.30am & 7.30pm.

Weekdays: 8.30am & 10.00am

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Bank Holidays: 11am

MORNING PRAYER: Monday – Friday: 8.00am **ROSARY:** Monday – Saturday: 9.45am **CONFESSIONS:** Saturday: 12.00-1.00pm & 7.00-7.30pm First Thursday: 12.00-1.00pm & 7.00-7.30pm

We encourage families to practice monthly Confession

EUCHARISTIC HEALING HOUR:Thursday evening at **8.00pm** – **9.00pm**

with special prayer for Vocations and Eucharistic Healing Blessing. **DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS:** Friday at **3.00pm**. All welcome.

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. First Friday:6.00pm.

TAX REFUND FORMS: a reminder to return signed forms as soon as possible.

The Parish will lose the money reclaim without the form.

Eucharistic Adorers needed: Especially during holiday time. Please contact Nora 025-24149 or Catherine 087-7727496

As today is 1st Sunday, the **Diocesan Religious Purposes** collection will be taken up after Holy Communion.

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

Issue: 1Date: Sunday 2nd July2017 Volume: 9

A Word Of Thanks: All our Primary School Children and their Teachers begin their summer break this weekend. We wish them all a safe and a happy holiday. We also wish to thank the Principals and their staff in all four Primary Schools of the Parish, for the wonderful dedicated work they do throughout the year. We thank too, the Secretaries and the Caretakers, for being so helpful and supportive. As a Parish, we are blessed in our schools and in the faith formation given to the children. As Catholic schools all the children of the Community are cherished, be they Catholic or not. We also thank the members of the Boards of Management and the Parents Associations, for making our schools such vibrant places of education for our children. Our Primary Schools are examples of a Community working together for the Spiritual, Social and Academic development of our children. We are grateful and proud of all you do in our Community. May God bless you all and grant you a wonderful holiday.

Children's Faith Camp: What is a Faith Camp? It is a four day gathering of children aged 6-13, boys and girls, to learn more about our Catholic Faith. It is done through stories, games, music, art and prayer. It is guided by Fr. Patrick Cahill and his Community and a group of parents and a large number of youth volunteers. All are vetted to work with children. It is a joyful event of happiness, love and peace. We are grateful to Fr. Patrick and the organisers, for providing the Camp here in Mitchelstown. Over the years it has helped many, many children to discover the joy of faith. Up to 100 children are expected to attend again this year. It is an opportunity not to be missed. The Camp will be held in Mitchelstown Town Hall. July 17th – 20th. Contact Catherine Hanley on 087-7727496 to book a place.

Our Lady of Fatima – Mass and Procession: To celebrate the Centenary of the Fatima Apparitions, there will be Mass in the Parish Church on Thursday week, July 13th at 7.30pm, followed by a candlelight procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. St. Jacinta and St. Francesco pray for us.

JULY 2017: We thank those who collected during June. The Collectors for July take over this weekend.

Vigil 7.30pm: Seamus Carey, Bridget Sherlock, Jimmy Walsh & Pat Manning.

Neil Egan, Con Hogan, William Fox & Michael Boland. 8.30am: John Casey, Eddie Lynch, Seamus Mannix & Matt O'Sullivan. 11.30am:

Verling Fitzgerald, Tom Lucey & Ger Corbett. 7.30pm:

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: We thank Team "B". Team "C" take over this weekend.

Marshalstown Cemetery Mass: The Annual Mass at Marshalstown Cemetery will take place on **ThisMonday**, **July 3rd**, **at 7.30pm**. We thank the dedicated Committee who organise this Mass every year. The Mitchelstown Community Council have arranged, with the support of Dairygold Management, to the have the Annual Mass for the dead in Town, this year in the location of the cemetery where the **Old Workhouse** was on Clonmel Road on Tuesday, July 25th at 7.30pm.

We are grateful to Dairygold for facilitating the Parish to remember in a special way the dead who are buried in this location. This Mass will take the place this year of the Mass we usually celebrate in Brigown or the Adjoining Cemetery. But, of course, we will be remembering all who are buried throughout the Parish and in other cemeteries. We thank the Community Council for arranging the Mass and especially for giving recognition to this cemetery and the dead buried there. May the Lord be merciful to them all.

St Thérése – The Little Flower" Summer Faith Camp. For Boys & Girls aged 6-12 years. This year's Faith Camp will run from Monday July 17th to Thursday July 20th in the Town Hall. Places are limited, please contact Catherine Hanleyon 087-7727496, as soon as possible.

Retirement Social Club, Mitchelstown Outing to Cobh. Wednesday, 16th August. Guided Tour of Titanic Way, also Spike Island. Dinner at Vienna Woods. Leaving the Mart, Georges Street at 10.30am sharp. All for €60, including Bus, Tour and Dinner. Book your seat with Diane at 087-1478030

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Cork County Older Peoples Council: Cork County launched its Age Friendly strategy in April 2016, which aims to make Cork a more Age Friendly County. Older People themselves are an important part of the strategy and we would like to invite you to join our Older Peoples Council to ensure your voice continues to be heard and represented. Nominations are now being sought for the 2nd Cork County Older Peoples Council (OPC) Executive. If you are interested in joining please contact Mairéad on 021-4285900 or email Mairead.mccarthy@corkcoco.ie for more information.

We encourage community involvement in this project as much as possible.

Killacluig Church Choir were delighted to lead the choir in the Parish Church at the recent Mitchelstown PTAA Mass celebrated by Bishop William Crean. Many thanks to all those who joined us on the night.

The next outing for our Choir is **Monday 3rd July** as we are leading the music at the **Marshalstown Gravevard Mass at 7.30pm**.

New Choir members always welcome-singers and musicians. Choir at 10.30am Mass on Sundays in Killacluig Church.

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Legion of Mary Meeting every Tuesday night at 6.30pm in Marian Hall, Convent Hill. New members always welcome.

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ALBANY COLOUR ME Mitchelstown – 5K Walk/Run In aid of Mitchelstown Carmelite Lourdes Group Fund. Friday, 7th July. Registration at 7pm – Starting at 8pm. Registration Fee €10. To beat the queues, Pre-Registration next Thursday, 6th July, 9am to 4pm at Forrest Hall. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

My Sons! Never Miss Holy Mass. The following TRUE STORY was related to Sr. M. Veronica Murphy by an elderly nun who heard it from the lips of the late Reverend Father Stanislaus SS.CC. One day many years ago, in a little town in Luxembourg, a Captain of the Forest Guards was in deep conversation with the butcher when an elderly woman entered the shop. The butcher broke off the conversation to ask the old woman what she wanted. She had come to beg for a little meat but had no money. The Captain was amused at the woman and the butcher. 'Only a little meat, but how much are you going to give her?', he wondered. 'I am sorry I have no money but I'll hear Mass for you, ' the woman told the butcher. Both the butcher and the Captain were indifferent about religion, so they at once began to scoff at the old woman's idea. 'All right then,' said the butcher. 'You go and hear Mass for me and when you come back I'll give you as much as the Mass is worth'. The woman left the shop and returned later. She approached the counter and the butcher said. 'All right then we'll see.' He took a slip of paper and wrote on it 'I heard a Mass for you.'He placed the paper on the scales and a tiny bone on the other side, but nothing happened.Next he placed a piece of meat instead of the bone, but still the paper proved heavier. Both men were beginning to feel ashamed of their mockery but continued their game. A large piece of meat was placed on the balance, but still the paper held its own. The butcher, exasperated, examined the scales but found they were alright. What do you want my good woman? Must I give you a whole leg of mutton?' At this he placed the leg of mutton on the balance, but the paper outweighed the meat. A larger piece of meat was put on, but again the weight remained on the side of the paper. This so impressed the butcher that he was converted and promised to give the woman her daily ration of meat. As for the Captain, he left the shop a changed man and became an ardent lover of daily Mass. Two of his sons became priests, one a Jesuit & the other a Father of the Sacred Heart. Father Stanislaus finished the story by saying, 'I am from the Religious of the Sacred Heart & the Captain was my father. From this incident the Captain became a daily Mass attendant & his children were trained to follow his example. Later, when his sons became priests, he advised them to say Mass well every day and never miss the Sacrifice of the Mass through any fault of their own.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

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

Johanna O'Brien (née O'Donovan), Kildrum

John Ahern, Cloughleafin

Who died recently.

May TheyRest In Peace

NEWLY BAPTISED:

We welcome into our Catholic Community, through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Chantelle Corrigan-Mulcahy.

Adam Landers.