

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.

BALLYGIBLIN: 1st Friday 7p.m. **KILLACLUIG:** before 1st Friday Mass.

CLERGY:

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Office Open: 9 am to 12 noon – Monday to Friday. Parish Website: www.mitchelstownparish.ie

Sick Call Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

A SPECIAL ENRICHING WEEKEND: Celebrate your years of Marriage in the Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry on the 15th to 17th November. A weekend of discovery, a lifetime of love, real quality time, fulfilment, joy. For booking or more information contact 064 - 66 44 319 or 087 - 66 70 418 or visit www.marriageencounter.ie

The late **Fr. Bob Forde** had a plan to have the History of Cloyne Diocese written and published. Vol.1. "Colmán of Cloyne A Study" was researched and written by Paul Mac Cotter, paid for by Fr. Forde and published in 2004 by Four Courts Press. Vol. 2 was almost completed by Paul Mac Cotter when Fr. Bob was taken from us a year ago. A committee of five priests is now raising funds to ensure the publication of this volume. If you would like to make a contribution towards this project you may do so through your parish priest or by sending it directly to Canon Donal O'Mahony, PP Cloyne. Cheques should be made payable to History of Cloyne Diocese Account. Volume 2 will cover the period up to 1600AD. Any surplus funds collected will be used to finance a third volume covering more recent times.

Fr Bob Forde RIP: A native of Newmarket, Father Forde studied for the priesthood at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, and was ordained on 4th April 1948. He served on the staff of St Colman's College from 1948 to 1962. He then served as curate in Banteer for 12 years and in Mallow for 14. He was appointed Parish Priest of Milford in 1988 and retired in 1999, at which time he move to reside in Fermoy.

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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St. Joseph: Pope Francis and retired Pope Benedict XVI have a special devotion to St. Joseph and have assured that devotion will be shared regularly at Mass by Catholics around the world. The Congregation for Divine worship and the sacraments said Pope Francis confirmed a decision originally made by Pope Benedict to include St. Joseph permanently in the Eucharistic Prayers used at most Masses in the Latin Rite. The congregation said Pope Benedict had received petitions from Catholics around the world and approved adding after the name of the Virgin Mary, the words "with Blessed Joseph, her spouse". Blessed John XXIII had added the name of St. Joseph to the first Eucharistic prayer, known as the Roman Canon, in the 1960s. The new decree inserts his name into Eucharistic prayers II, III and IV. A congregation official told Catholic News Service, that national bishops' conferences could set a date for changes to begin if they believe that is necessary, "but because it is a matter of only adding five words, priests can begin immediately".

Pope Francis, who has a flower used as a symbol of St. Joseph on his coat-of-arms, also chose the March 19th feast of St. Joseph as the date for his inaugural Mass. In his homily, the new Pope said exercising the role of protector as St. Joseph means doing so "discreetly, humbly and silently, even when he finds it hard to understand". St. Joseph responded to his call to be a protector "by being constantly attentive to God, open to the signs of God's presence and receptive to God's plans, and not simply his own", the new Pope said.

Pope Benedict, who was born Joseph Ratzinger and celebrated the March 19th feast of St. Joseph as his name day, told a crowd in Cameroon in 2009 that he had "received the grace of bearing this beautiful name". Pope Benedict said, "Throughout all history, Joseph is the man who gives God the greatest display of trust, even in the face of the astonishing news that Mary was to bear a child". May St. Joseph protect us all, our homes and our families.

Re: Sunday Forum-Faith Matters Programme C103FM: The 'Sunday Forum-Faith Matters' programme has been broadcasting from the C103FM studio at Gouldshill Mallow since 1990 over twenty-three years! This is a credit to the commitment and dedication of the many Priests and Religious who have given so generously of their time, talents and gifts over those years. At present there are only two priests (Fr. Anthony Sheehan C.C. Blarney & Whitechurch and Fr. Brendan Mallon C.C. Aghabullogue & Chaplain to Coachford College) who have the responsibility in maintaining the weekly broadcasts by producing and presenting the show. We extend an invitation to lay people in the parish who would be interested and suitable to join the team. Female voices would be particularly welcome. This newly formed team will meet Bishop Crean to programme plan for the future and look to new strategies for broadening and supporting the network going forward. Introductory training will be provided by the Diocese for those interested in being part of the Sunday Forum-Faith Matters Team. The commitment asked of you, is to present one show per month on a rota basis (i.e. 4 team members = 1 show per month; 6 team members = 1 show every 6 weeks) Anyone interested contact Fr. Sheehan (087) 6563997 or Fr. Mallon (021) 7334059 or the Diocesan Office (021) 4811430.

St. Fanahan's College Parents Council are hosting a **Christmas Cookery Food Demonstration**, on **Friday, 15th November in the Firgrove Hotel at 8pm sharp**. The Demonstration will be given by Ó'Crualao's Butchers & Delicatessen Fermoy. Tickets are €10 each and can be obtained from Ó'Crualao's Butchers & Delicatessen Fermoy, Farrell's Centra Mitchelstown, The Office at St. Fanahan's College, or from any member of the Parents Councils. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Cork Education & Training Board Adult Education Service:

FETAC Level 4 Office Skills – Mitchelstown. Starting in November, date to be confirmed. 3 Sessions per week. For more information or to apply please contact Nuala White Cork Education & Training Board, Q Centre, IDA Industrial Estate, Quaterstown, Mallow, Co. Cork. Phone 022 – 42322 or 086 – 6823717.

Starting in November **English Language Classes** (ESOL) English for Speakers of Other Languages. Classes are available in the local Adult Education Centre, Baldwin Street, Mitchelstown. For further information contact Nuala White, Adult Education Centre, Baldwin Street, Mitchelstown, Telephone: 086 – 6823717
Or E-mail: nualawhitewinn@gmail.com

Ballygiblin Baby & Toddler Group: Do you have a baby or toddler? Are you interested in meeting up? There is an opportunity to have a baby & toddler group in the old school in Ballygiblin, all welcome!!!! It will be on **Mondays at 10.30 am** starting on the **4th November**. Please contact Stephen Dalton on 087 244 86 82 if you are interested or pass it on to someone who would be. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Ballyhoura Rural Services have people available to visit elderly parishioners in the Town area. If any elderly or people living alone would like a visit please contact the Parish Office 025 – 84062 Monday to Friday 9am to 12 noon.

BINGO: In Aid of “My Kenya Project” on **Monday, 4th November at 8.30pm** in the Town Hall, Mitchelstown. Everyone welcome.

TABLE QUIZ: Saturday 16th November, Ballindangan Hall 8pm. €30 table of 4. Open to all ages. Great fun & prizes guaranteed. Proceeds going toward the continuous repairs and upkeep of the hall. Everyone welcome. Ballindangan Community Council look forward to your support on the night.

Mitchelstown Comhaltas AGM: The Annual General Meeting of Mitchelstown Branch of Comhaltas will be held on Thursday 7th November at the Ozanam Centre Mitchelstown at 8.30 p.m. All are welcome.

Table Quiz in Cheers Bar Fermoy on November 14th at 8 p.m. In aid of Fermoy Community Hospital

Concert in Corrin Event Centre December 6th. Wine reception 7 p.m. Concert 8 p.m. Louise Morrissey, Gary Gamble and the Ryan Turner Band. Dancing afterwards to lively four piece band Allegro. Great night assured Tickets €25 from various outlets

GALTEE WHEELERS are running **Turbo Training Nights** in The C.B.S Hall starting on Wednesday, November 6th at 7.30pm. The class will run from 7.30pm to 8.30pm each Wednesday night for a number of weeks at a cost of €5.00 per night. This is a great way of keeping fit for the winter months. For details or any information please feel free to contact Danny O Sullivan/ 0878736219 or Noel Considine/ 0872902706.

ZUMBA Fitness: The latest and greatest fitness routine, an exhilarating, fun and effective dance workout set to the Latin party beat. Party yourself into shape!
Tuesday & Thursday Mornings @ 9.30am, Evenings @ 6.30pm. For more information, please speak to Shóna @ Livinghealth Gym on 025 52060.

Mitchelstown Heritage Society is hosting a lecture "Pilgrimage & the Irish Holy Well", by Richard Scriven, UCC this Thursday, November 7th @ 8pm in the Town Hall. This talk will look at some of the 3,000 sites of Pilgrimage are around Ireland, including St. Fanahan's Well. Exploring the history & traditions associated with them and their continued role in modern Ireland. All welcome €3 for members / €5 for non-members, refreshments served after.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL - TEAM HOPE

Team Hope are once more asking your help in bringing some Christmas joy to the poorest children in our world. There are children in the poorest countries of our world who have never experienced the joy of receiving a Christmas present, many of these children are orphans whose parents were killed in war or who died from illness. You can help these children by filling a shoe box with practical items i.e. something to WRITE with (pen, copybook, markers, crayons etc), something to WASH with (toothbrush, toothpaste, facecloth, soap), something to WEAR (hat, scarf, gloves, socks) and WOW a treat or a toy (sunglasses, skipping rope, small doll or cuddly toy, a toy car). If you would like to help a poor child this Christmas please visit the Team Hope website, www.teamhope.ie or contact your local co coordinator Louise on 087 7972575. This year they can be dropped off at Super Valu, Discount World and Ozanam Centre. They need to be dropped in by 11th November, Thank You.

**FASHION SHOW -AUCTION SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER AT 8pm
BALLYPOREEN COMMUNITY HALL.**

Fashion Show/Auction will take place on Saturday 30th November at 8pm in Ballyporeen Community Hall, Ballyporeen. All clothes modelled on the night are brand/designer clothes, they have only being worn once, most of the clothes donated have never been worn at all. All clothes will be auctioned on the night, giving you a chance to buy designer clothes for a fraction of the cost. Tickets are €10 with a cheese and wine reception. We are looking for clothes to be donated, tickets can be purchased from the local post office, for further information please call 0860722664. All proceeds are being donated to a children's orphanage. Leading labels include, Clavin Klein, Karen Millen, Bedeck, Basler, Coast, DKNY, Hugo Boss, Ted Baker, Tommy Hilfiger, REISS, Levis, Links and Mulberry to name but a few.