

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:

V. Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald P.P. V.F. Phone: 025-84090. V. Rev. Canon O'Leary C.C. Phone: 025-84088

Rev. Fr. Greene C.C. Phone: 025-84077. Parish Office: 025-84062 (9am-12pm)

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

Ozanam Centre 025 84733

Computers:

Basic Digital Photography: Wednesday morning 30th Oct.

Advanced ECDL Word Processing: Monday morning 4th Nov.

E-Banking: Wednesday night: 6th Nov.

Fetac Level 5 Manual & Comp Book-keeping: Thursday night 7th Nov.

Beginners Computers: Monday night 11th Nov.

Skype: Wednesday night 13th Nov.

E-bay & PayPal: Wednesday night 20th Nov.

Twitter: Wednesday Night 27th Nov.

Living with Loss – Seasons for Growth

Are you wrestling with a loss or a change in your life which is difficult?

Seasons for Growth is a 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. Many different losses occur in one's lifetime and **Seasons for Growth** is based on the belief that grief and loss are a normal and valuable part of life. You will have the opportunity to gain understanding, knowledge and skills to help you to cope with your grief experiences.

Start date: 21st November Time: 7.30pm – 10.00pm

Venue: Ozanam Centre Mitchelstown

For more information or to book a place call-Patricia 021/4666180 or Bríd 025 84733

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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FATIMA CENTENARY 1917 – 2017:

“MY IMMACULATE HEART WILL BE YOUR REFUGE AND THE WAY THAT WILL LEAD YOU TO GOD”

In this third year of preparation for the Centenary of the Apparitions at Fatima Portugal, the Sanctuary of Fatima asks us to reflect on the above words of the Blessed Virgin. They are difficult times for everybody and for every family, but these words Our Lady are calling us to take refuge in Her. Let us take up the Rosary Beads everyday and go to our Heavenly Mother in prayer with all our problems. She will protect us and bring us through every difficulty.

Our present Holy Father, Pope Francis is deeply aware of this. Shortly after his election as Pope last March, he asked the Patriarch of Lisbon to dedicate his Papacy to Our Lady of Fatima. This was done by all the Bishops of Portugal at the end of the ceremonies in Fatima last May 13th.

This Sunday, October 13th, Pope Francis has asked that the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima be brought to Rome and Pope Francis will consecrate the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The Parish of Mitchelstown was consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Thursday night last in a special Mass celebrated by Fr. Thady Doyle. This means we belong to Our Lady in this hour of darkness. She is the refuge of each one of us in the struggle we now feel. She will help and protect us. This is the will of God for our time. Let us each day take up the Rosary Beads and give our hearts to Her.

Our Lady of Fatima pray for us.

Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima

O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, you were pleased to appear to the children of Fatima and reveal a glorious message. We implore you, inspire in our hearts a fervent love for the recitation of the Rosary. By meditating on the mysteries of the redemption that are recalled therein may we obtain the graces and virtues that we ask, through the merits of Jesus

Christ, our Lord and Redeemer.

A Walk, Jog or Stroll for Cancer in Mitchelstown takes place **THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13th at 2pm.** Meeting point **Farrell's Centra, Mitchelstown.** In aid of **Irish Cancer Society Action Breast Cancer.** Registration on the day, €5 each or family €10. Your support would be greatly appreciated. For more details call into Farrell's Centra, Lower Cork Street, Mitchelstown or ring 025 – 24748.

Friends of Londiani Kenya Volunteer Project (FOL): MARY FINN is heading to Kenya in November this year, to volunteer with the (FOL) charity on community development programmes. Mary will be a part of a team who will join with a community in a remote, rural part of Kenya to help make a difference in their lives, especially in the areas of health, education and water. To take part in this project, Mary needs to raise €1,900 to get her there and €1,000 to support the programmes running on the ground in Londiani. Please help in any way possible. FOL is a small Irish charity (CHY16505) and every donation counts and is much appreciated in Kenya. If you would like to donate contact Mary on 087 – 94 88 364. Your support is greatly appreciated.

If you are suffering from **BOWEL PROBLEMS** and **BREATHING DIFFICULTIES** The Ultimate Health Clinic, is offering Parishioners Free consultations to provide help and relief from suffering simply call 061-322011

Barnardos Ireland's leading children's charity is recruiting for Volunteer Collectors for their 'Buckets for Barnardos' National Collection Day taking place on Friday, 25th October 2013 in the Tesco Stores throughout Cork – Douglas, Mahon, Mallow, Midleton, Mitchelstown, Wilton and Cork City. The role of the Volunteer Collector is to collect money at the Tesco Store during an agreed 2½ hour time slot. If interested in assisting us on the day please contact Suzanne on 01-7080431 or email volunteers@barnardos.ie for more information.

**SHOULD BE WORTH CHECKING OUT
FREE GENEALOGY WORKSHOP in MITCHELSTOWN LIBRARY
Saturday October 19th at 10 am.**

What are cousins removed? Have you a celeb in your family tree?

Inscriptions on line?

SHORT DIY COURSES AVAILABLE AT CLAN SEARCH 087.3589734

Set Dance Class Restarted

Wednesday night dancing is back again 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

The Hope Foundation, working tirelessly for the Street Children of Kolkata, are asking for support in the parish this coming week with their **Annual Day of HOPE, October 18th**. Could you volunteer to help sell Butlers Chocolate Bars in the community or at work? Please call 021 4292990

November – Month of the Holy Souls

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer this sacrifice in honour of their deceased loved ones. You can do likewise! Take the **SHORT-TERM** pledge for November.

www.pioneerassociation.ie or contact 01 – 874 9464
or local contact Catherine Hanley 087 – 772 7496

Why not have a go at **Fun Aerobics** for Mitchelstown School Parents commencing Tuesday October 15th at 9.30am at St. Fanahan's Hall.

Held weekly. Nominal fee €3 ~ 087.3589734

A FETAC Level 5 **Healthcare Support** course commences in Charleville on Wednesday nights from Wednesday October 16th next. This part-time night programme commences with Care Skills and is necessary for those who wish to work in the healthcare sector. Course is offered **free** to applicants on social welfare and those already working in this sector but with less than Leaving Cert education. For further information **contact the Q Centre on 022 55452.** Limited places available.

Also, a FETAC Level 4 **Retail Skills** course will be held in Fermoy Education Centre, Fermoy on Monday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 9.30am to 1.00pm, starting on Monday October 14th next. This 20 week part-time course covers Customer Service, Computers and Retail Sales Techniques and is offered **free** to applicants who left school early, those with a medical card or those on a social welfare payment. For further information **contact the Q Centre on 022 55452.** Limited places available.

Paediatric First Aid Course - Ozanam Centre. 26th October (Saturday) 9:30am.
€50 per person - limited places available. Contact Eileen on 087 9270020

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

LETTER TO BISHOP CREAN FROM TRÓCAIRE: I would like to thank you most sincerely for donations to the value of €178,477.58 received from the Diocese of Cloyne for our annual fundraising campaign during Lent. This remarkable support and generosity is invaluable and continues to help us to work to improve the lives of women, men and children who face poverty and injustice in the developing world. Trócaire's 2013 campaign focused on our work to provide vulnerable communities with the knowledge and skills they need to work their way out of poverty. Thanks to your support, and the support of the people of the Diocese of Cloyne, many families and communities throughout the developing world now have an opportunity to lead their lives with dignity, realise their potential and have hope for the future. Please pass on our thanks to your clergy, parish workers and the people of the Diocese. Their generous support, despite the ongoing economic difficulties faced by many here in Ireland is deeply appreciated. Signed Justin Kilcullen, Executive Director, Trócaire.