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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 10AM WEDNESDAY

Office Open: 9 am to 12 noon – Monday to Friday.

Parish Website: www.mitchelstownparish.ie

Fr. Burke is on Sick Call this week - Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

HELP AND SUPPORT IN THE MITCHELSTOWN AREA: Your GP is an excellent place to start if you have a worry and can work with you or refer you to other health professionals.

SOUTH DOC Out of hours 1850 33 59 99 **Living Health Clinic:** 025-52000

Gardaí, Mitchelstown 025 84833

St. Vincent de Paul 025-84733

MITCHELSTOWN CITIZEN'S INFORMATION CENTRE for all your information needs. Marian Hall, Convent Hill.

Opening Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10am to 1 pm

Monday & Thursday 1.30pm to 4.30pm.

No appointment necessary. Tel: 0761 07 8030.

E-mail: mitchelstown@citinfo.ie **Website:** www.citizensinformation.ie

FÁS Office open 1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month in the Ozanam Centre from 9.30am.

Social Welfare Office, Fermoy Tel.025-49010

Open: Mon-Fri 9.30-12.00 & 2.00-4.00

Community Welfare Officer, Mitchelstown. Tel. 025-84238

Money Advice & Budgeting Service (MABS) 0761 07 2440

1 Life - 24-hour Suicide Prevention Helpline: 1800 247100

Community Drugs Project Worker: Mary Mackesy 086 – 043 9702

mary@cdys.ie

North Cork Alzheimer's Society (022) 43322 Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm

Seniors Helpline (10am-1pm & 7-10pm) 1850 440 444

North Cork Domestic Violence: 022-53915

Child line (24hr) 1800 666 666

Alcoholics Anonymous: Meetings held in Marian Hall, Convent Hill, Mitchelstown every Tuesday night at 8.45pm & every Sunday morning 11.30am to 12.30pm.

Gamblers Anonymous (GA) meeting in Mitchelstown every Monday night at 8pm.

Please contact GA on 087 2859552 for further details.

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Guidelines for the Formation of Parish Pastoral Councils:

1. Develop a Mission Statement which reflects the identity and mission of the parish in light of the **Gospel, Church teachings** and the **specific realities** of the **parish**.
2. The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body with the role of advising and assisting the Priest in developing a **parish pastoral plan** and providing input on issues of pastoral concern.
3. The Parish Pastoral Council develops and recommends pastoral plans and directions through a **consensus process** and **prayerful reflection**.
4. Every Parish Pastoral Council should be **representative of the entire parish**, recognising and reflecting the parish's rich diversity.
5. The Parish Pastoral Council is to collaborate with parish committees that address specific areas of parish life, such as **worship, spirituality, evangelization, religious education, finance and service**.

Size of Council: The Parish Pastoral Council should be composed of ten to fifteen members.

"Like a thief in the night" In the Gospel, Jesus tells us to be always ready as death may come suddenly and unexpectedly, like a thief in the night. For a number of people attending Mass on Saturday, January 10th, this example was all too real, when they returned to find their cars broken into and some of their property taken. The thief or thieves came totally unexpectedly. We express our sorrow for those who were affected and alert everybody, not to leave valuables visible in your cars. Unfortunately we must all be more alert and take measures to secure our properties.

The Centenary of Fatima 1917 – 2017: Between May and October 1917, Our Lady appeared to three children, Lucia, Jacinta & Francesco, six times, on the 13th of each month, at that time, the First World War was raging. Our Lady made a plea for prayer, especially the Rosary, and also for repentance. She gave some astounding prophecies, some of which have not yet been realised. In the next three years to the Centenary it would greatly benefit us all to go back and study the events, the messages and revelation of Fatima. More than any other apparitions, Fatima has won the approval of the Church and recent Popes and still relates to the present crisis of the world. One of the prophecies of Our Lady was, that in the end her Immaculate Heart would triumph. In other words, that evil would be conquered and true peace would come to the world. To achieve this, Our Lady has asked for the Rosary and prayers of reparation on the five 1st Saturdays of the month. These prayers are offered after 10.00am Mass in the Parish Church each month.

PRESENTATION & CBS Secondary Schools, Mitchelstown proudly presents **Come to the Cabaret, 20th, 21st, 23rd January 2015**. CBS Hall, Mitchelstown at 8pm. Adult: €10 - Child/Student: €5. Tickets are on sale from Centra & Hylands Bookshop Mitchelstown and Presentation Secondary School office 025-24394. PLEASE NOTE: Due to proposed ASTI Strike on Thursday 22nd January the show cannot take place as planned. However, tickets purchased for this night are valid for Tuesday night's show.

Bright Sparks: EDUCATIONAL COMPUTER TRAINING CLASSES for 4 to 7 year olds. 45 minute classes. ENGLISH and MATHS PROJECTS giving your child the best opportunities to develop their LANGUAGE PHONICS and a foundation for all subjects in school. Preschool, Junior Infants, Senior Infants, First Class. €8 per class places limited to 6 students per class. Bookings/enquires to 025 86799 or text 086 2653839

Gorta – Self Help Africa: The recently held Annual Church Gate Collection raised €713. Mitchelstown I.F.A. would like to thank all those who contributed so generously to this worthy cause, where as little as €30 can set a rural farming family on the path to self-sufficiency.

Killacluig Church Choir Notice: Can you sing or play an instrument? New choir members always welcome. Talk to a member of the Killacluig Choir after 10.30am mass any Sunday if you are interested or contact 086-3760487.

FREE, BASIC, INTRODUCTORY COMPUTER COURSE run in local **Mitchelstown Library**. Every Tuesday afternoon for 16 weeks. Commencing **Tuesday, February 3rd**. Small classes. Open to all. Suitable for complete beginner. Stop by the local Library or call Edel on 087 394 0145.

Kilbehenny Cycling Club will recommence Sunday cycling on **February 1st at 10:00am from Kilbehenny Community Centre**. Eagerly awaited by many, to get back on the bikes with Spring just around the corner. We look forward to seeing existing members and the new members that have joined us in recent weeks. Club membership is now due, contact Tom on 087 2683587. The Better Life Cycle, Bay to Bay sign on is now taking place and you can register / get all the information on this magnificent even at, www.betterlifecycle.ie. Kilbehenny Cycling Club can offer all cyclists some of the best cycling routes in the country with various terrains, excellent scenery and to those that are new to cycling, easier more reassuring routes. Be in the moment and join us! New members always welcome. Mary 086 6033239, Eileen 068 3180962, Tom 087 268358

Mitchelstown Toddler Group will be back on **Friday** the 23rd January from 10.30am to 12.00pm, in Mitchelstown Leisure Centre, Everybody welcome suitable for children from birth to 4/5 years. Looking forward to seeing some new and old faces. For more info: 025-52102.

Galtee Runners are holding a **Registration Night** for current and new members on **Friday, 23rd January, 7pm – 9pm** in the Mitchelstown Leisure Centre. All are welcome! Hope to see new faces on the road in 2015.

St. Fanahan's College, Mitchelstown Open Night for incoming 1st Years will be held this **Thursday, January 29th from 6.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.** Throughout the afternoon students will enjoy a hot meal and engage with a series of practical and academic workshops in Science, Home Economics, Music and Drama, Woodwork, Metalwork, Home Economics, Art, PE and many more. Following those workshops parents are invited to attend at 6.00 p.m. to experience for themselves what St. Fanahan's College has to offer. We look forward to seeing you on the night where our staff and students will be present to answer any questions you may have.

TROY-BALDWIN ACADEMY OF IRISH DANCING, Winners of World, All Ireland, & Munster titles for decades. Pupils in Riverdance and Lord of the dance. Classes starting every Saturday in FERMOY Community Youth Centre 3:15pm. Classes continue in MITCHELSTOWN Town Hall every Saturday 1:30pm. Also, starting in Cappoquin, every Saturday 11 am. All levels welcome, for further info 085-1046957 & on Facebook.

Cloyne Diocesan Directory: The Directory is available this weekend at the cost of €3. The Directory contains telephone numbers of all the clergy and religious of the Diocese. It also contains the telephone numbers of all the schools of the Diocese and of other services which are available. Nano Nagle, who was recently declared venerable by Pope Francis, takes front page of the Directory, for her wonderful work in educating the poor and caring for them.

Cloyne Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima: 9th to 16th September, from Cork to Faro Portugal. 5 nights in Fatima, 2 nights Lisbon Coast, Costa De Caparica: **Cost** – Pay in full by 2nd February, cost is €789; Pay Deposit of €200 by 2nd February, cost is €829; otherwise the cost is €879. Cost includes insurance, single supplement €25 a night extra. Spiritual Director Fr. Pat Winkle. Contact Pilgrimage Abroad / Laur Duffy Travel 01 – 635 9300.

TOWN HALL:

A new **Booking System** in place for all space at Town Hall. Ring Aileen Lane, Awbeg Office (DSP), Baldwin Street. Telephone No: (025) 86956 during office hours Monday to Friday, 9am – 1pm & 2pm to 5pm.

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