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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER IS 10AM WEDNESDAY

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

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Canon O'Leary is on Sick Call this week - Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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Newly Ordained – Fr. Eamonn Roche: Fr. Eamonn, who was ordained to the Priesthood for the Diocese of Cloyne on Sunday July 6th last, will come to Mitchelstown Parish Church on **Thursday Evening next (July 23rd) to celebrate Mass at 8.00pm.** Following the Mass Fr. Eamonn will be available to give individual Blessings. There is a long tradition in the Church of a newly ordained priest giving his 1st Blessing. There is a story faith tradition that the newly anointed priest brings special graces to all who seek them. We are delighted that Fr. Eamonn is able to visit us and we invite you all to participate.

The Troubles of Greece: As we watch the people of Greece queuing up at the closed doors of their Banks and living with so much economic uncertainty, we are grateful to be spared such individual and public humiliation. Let us be still mindful of those who have to live with mortgage difficulties and those who have lost so much in the 2008 financial collapse. Questions remain in all our minds about the co-operation of the European Nations. How united is Europe economically? How fair are the demands of the financial masters? Pope Francis said in Paraguay recently, economics should serve the needs of people. We share the economic sufferings of the Greek people and we ask the Holy Spirit to guide the Nations of Europe into greater economic co-operation: especially when Nations are in extreme difficulty.

Franciscan Brothers: Every year the Bishop of the Diocese allows one Religious Community to make a mission appeal. Next weekend the Franciscan Brothers, Clara, Co. Offaly will make their appeal at all Masses. "The Franciscan Brothers were founded in Ireland in the early 1800s. They were founded to work with the rural poor of Ireland. Their work included Religious and Secular Education, Agriculture and Rural Development. Most of their monasteries were in the West of Ireland. They are now working in the interior of Kenya and Uganda. Included in their work are education, sustainable agriculture and rural development, food security and famine relief". The Brothers would appreciate your support of their work and mission.

National Pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick 2015: Garland Friday, July 24th (Local Pilgrimage) Mass on the summit at 10.00am. Mass in Croagh Patrick car park at 7.30pm.

Reek Sunday – 26th July: Confessions on the summit from 7.30am – 2.00pm.

Lough Derg 2015: Last day of the Three Day Pilgrimage is Thursday 13th August. Pilgrims can begin their pilgrimage any day up until then. No need to book. Information available at www.loughderg.org or phone 071 986 1518

Mitchelstown Leisure Centre

Activities Camp - July 20th-24th from 9:30am-3:00pm. For ages 6-12 years. €90 (1st Child) €70 (2nd Child) €50 (3rd Child). Activities: Multi-sports, Rugby World Cup, Arts & Crafts, Mini Olympics, Team Games & Challenges, and much more...

Ability Camp: July 28th-30th. From: 9:30am-1:00pm. For ages: 6-15 years. €60 (1st Child) €50 (2nd Child) €40 (3rd Child) A 3 day fun filled Activity Camp for children with special needs, siblings and friends.

Call MLC on 025-52102 to speak to a member of staff for more information on any of the above camps, early booking is advised.

AUGUST - MLC Fit for All Class: Active 8 Retirement: Monday and Thursday 11:00am-12 noon. MLC instructors will provide a variety of classes such as Swiss ball training, light weight training, gym training seated exercise and much more.... Call in and check it out after Morning Mass.

Call MLC on 025-52102 to speak to a member of staff for more information.

ALHomecare: We provide live carers for the elderly in their own home. Our service is a lot more affordable than nursing home care. For more information visit us at www.alhomecare.ie or phone Mary on 0879916791.

Get your Holiday Reading at the Ozanam Shop, Thomas Street, Mitchelstown 025 84733. Fiction €2; Non-Fiction €1; Children's Books 50c. All proceeds go to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Mitchelstown Cope Collection will take place at all Masses this Saturday and Sunday 18th and 19th July. The collection is in aid of the Cope Hostel in Ballinwillin, Mitchelstown and your support for this worthy cause would be greatly appreciated.

Mitchelstown Community Council are holding their **Annual Mass** in the **Adjoining Cemetery** near the Parish Church on **THIS Monday July 20th at 7.30pm.**
Also anyone interested in joining community text alert should contact any member of the community council it just costs ten euro.

NCBI SHOP MITCHELSTOWN would like to make an appeal for donations, we take ornaments, tea sets, glassware, household, ladies and men’s clothes etc. The NCBI shop is situated at the top of the Square, easy parking. The shop sells a variety of goods new and pre-owned, well worth a visit. **The shop supports The National Council for the Blind of Ireland, we would appreciate your help in increasing our donations.** Contact Isobel Tel: 0871254900

Mitchelstown Junior Tennis Camp with Munster Coach Sinead Dunne starting Monday 27th July to Friday 31st July. Times are as follows: - 5 to 8 year olds 9.30am-12.30pm and 9 to 14 year olds from 1.30pm to 4.30pm. Cost of the camp is €50 for members and €55 for non members.

To book your place please contact 089-2293818

GREAT BARGAINS IN OUR SUMMER FASHIONS:

Hi from all at Sue Ryder. We have lovely summer fashions at present. Call in and grab a bargain. If you have a debs or summer wedding come up, check out our range. We are packed with men’s and children’s clothes. We also have a large range of furniture in stock. Donations of the following would be very much appreciated. DVDs, CDs, Bric a Brac, toys and clothes.
We are very grateful to all our customers who support us on a weekly basis. Also to those who have generously donated to the shop over the last two years. To our Tús workers and volunteers your hard work does not go unnoticed. Thank you. The Sue Ryder foundation.

MITCHELSTOWN PARISH TEXT ALERT is about to be launched. As it is not possible to call to every house to offer people the service you can now get your application forms at Úna’s Flower Shop on the Main Street, the Parish Office, and the porches of the three Churches of the Parish. Completed forms together with the one off fee of 10 euro can be returned to the Shop or Parish Office and will be updated on the system on a weekly basis. This is a community based service organised by the Community Council and the messages are sent out by the Gardai. If you need more information you can contact John on 086-1586017.

Killacluig Church Choir Notice: Can you sing or play an instrument? New choir members always welcome. Choir practice today, Sunday 19th July after 10.30am Mass.
A brief choir practice will also take place next Sunday 26th July after 10.30am. Mass. All welcome.

Fr. Joe O’Brien wishes to thank everyone who attended his Golden Jubilee Mass last Friday in Ballygiblin Church and all those who celebrated with him afterwards in Ballygiblin Old School Hall.

Mitchelstown & Fermoy Lourdes District Fund wish to thank the parishioners of Mitchelstown and surrounding areas for their generous support of our recent Church Gate Collection. A Special word of thanks to all the collectors who gave their time generously.

Kilshanna Annual Camp which is based in 9 King St, Mitchelstown is taking place from the 20th - 24th of July, 10am - 1pm. €50 per child including Music, Singing, Art and Drama. Deposit €10 by Friday 17th. Suitable for children from 5 years upwards. The camp is run by the college students each year and this gives them experience in organising activities, helpers and participants.

Team Leaders and Collectors Required: Barnardos Children’s Charity is looking for Volunteers to help collect funds during our National Collection Day “Buckets for Barnardos” taking place on Friday September 18th. Volunteers can either help with an organised bag pack, or join us on the streets shaking buckets in locations throughout Cork. All money raised on the day will help disadvantaged children and their families in communities around Ireland. Every hour of your time counts so please give what you can. To get involved please contact Gráinne on 1850 217 217 or email buckets@barnardos.ie

Pioneer Association Members Raffle Results held Tuesday, 30th June 2015:

1st Prize:	€2,000	Nora Moran, Monmore, Crossabeg, Co. Wexford
2nd Prize:	€500	Gerald Gildea, Carrick-On-Shannon, Co. Leitrim
3rd Prize:	€250	Blathlín Rocks, Rostrevor, Co. Down

Promoters Prizes of €40 each;
1. Ann O’Grady, Rathoath, Co. Meath
2. Gerald Gildea, Carrick-On-Shannon, Co. Leitrim
3. Margaret Farrell, Rostrevor, Co. Down
Congratulation to our winners. Thank you to everybody who supported our draw by selling raffle tickets and for purchasing them. This Annual Draw is a major fundraiser for the Pioneer Association each year and your assistance in taking the time to sell the tickets on our behalf, not to mention the financial support is greatly appreciated.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival, Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from Thursday 13th – Sunday 16th August 2015. For young people aged 16-35, this is a great opportunity to find out what your Catholic faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from all around Ireland. For more info and to book online, see www.youth2000.ie or phone 01 6753690

Ancestor Research is **no longer** being carried out in the Parish office. The records for Mitchelstown Parish can be accessed through Mallow Heritage Centre, 27/28 Bank Place, Mallow, Co. Cork. Tel: (022) 50302. Website: www.rootsireland.ie or E-mail: mallowhc@eircom.net