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 **1**st **Saturday of the month.**

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

CLERGY:

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

Rev. Fr. Greene C.C. Phone: 025-84077.

Parish Office: 025-84062

before 1st Friday Mass.

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

Pharmacy Rota:

Doody's Pharmacy open this Sunday, 28th April 11.30a.m. To 1.30p.m.

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 Marian Hall, Convent

Hill. Opening Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs, & Fri 10am-1pm,

Thursday 1.30pm – 4.30pm & Friday 7.30pm-9pm. No appointment necessary.

Tel: 0761 07 8030. E-mail: mitchelstown@citinfo.ie

Website: www.citizensinformation.ie

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

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

North Cork Domestic Violence: 022-53915 Child line (24hr) 1800 666 666

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

Alcoholics Anonymous: Meetings held in Marian Hall, Convent Hill, Mitchelstown every Tuesday night @ 8.45p.m. & every Sunday morning 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

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

Please contact GA on 087 2859552 for further details.

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

Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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Pope Francis to confirm two children from the Diocese of Cloyne:

Two young people from the Diocese of Cloyne will travel to Rome this weekend to be confirmed by His Holiness Pope Francis. Emily Mulcahy, aged 12, from Cobh, Co Cork, and Edmond Roche, also aged 12, from Fermoy, Co Cork, will take part in a Confirmation ceremony in Saint Peter's Square on Sunday 28 April.

Cobh altar server, Emily Mulcahy, got the surprise of her life a few weeks ago when she learned that she was to be confirmed at a Mass celebrated by the Pope Francis in Rome. All her school friends in Saint Marys – and particularly those in Mrs Lane's sixth class – we are absolutely delighted for her. Emily's class received their Confirmation in the Cobh Cathedral on Saturday 13 April – a Mass celebrated by newly appointed Bishop of Cloyne, Bishop William Crean. Emily received a blessing from Bishop Crean on that occasion. Emily will be accompanied on her trip to Rome by her parents Paul and Margaret Mulcahy, her sister Sophie and her twin brothers Andrew and Luke.

Edmond Roche is an altar server in Fermoy. He lives with his mother and his older brother David who will be accompanying him to Rome. Edmond attends sixth class in Gaelscoil de hÍde. Edmond loves altar serving and taking part in Church activities. He also enjoys music and plays the accordion.

Edmond was really surprised when he heard he had been selected to be confirmed by Pope Francis. He is hugely excited to be going to Rome, as are his family. Edmond's classmates are being confirmed by Bishop Crean today in Fermoy. Although he will miss taking part Edmond is absolutely thrilled to be going to Rome to be confirmed by Pope Francis.

Fodder Shortage:

The bad spring weather has put a lot of extra demands and pressure on our farmers. It is very encouraging to hear Mr. Jim Woulfe, Managing Director of Dairygold, taking such a good leadership role in reaching out to help farmers in most difficulty with a shortage of fodder for their animals, due to the weather. It is difficult for a farmer to ask for help, but it is a most understandable situation. The Church Community would also be glad to help, if there is anything that can be done. It is a time for Christian action and reaching out to help one another.

The **Annual Diocese of Cloyne Pilgrimage to Knock**Will take place on **Sunday, May 12**th.

A bus will leave the Square in Mitchelstown on that Sunday at 7.15am. Adults €20, Children €15. Names to Mr. Pat McEvoy, Sacristan.

TRAINING WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDCARE STAFF

6 nights - commencing May 2nd Starts at 6.30pm sharp and finishes at 8.30pm.

- * Active participation with children *appropriate interaction strategies
- * say what we mean...communication with children
- * conflict resolution *educate through movement * early maths

Tutor; Imelda Madigan (high/scope and siolta/aistear)

for more details or to book a place contact Claire 086-2653839

Bunny Hop classes for children.4 Saturday mornings commencing in May. Active fun through song and dance. Meet with other children and enjoy the fun with your own child. COST €30

TIMES: Babies /Toddlers 10.30am Playgroup/preschool 11.15am Children with Additional needs 12.00pm. For more details or to book a place call/text 025 - 86799 or 086-2653839

ROCK 'N' ROLL & COUNTRY SHOW - PINK UP NIGHT FOR CANCER:

Saturday, 18th **May in the Firgrove Hotel.** Deak Rivers – Buddy Holly & GI Elvis, Trina O'Reilly – Country & Modern, Route 66 – Country Mix, Dave Sharkey – 50's & 60's, South East Roll 'N' Roll Dancers. Tickets will be available at The Hotel Reception, also online at www.ticketgroup.ie, Xtravision outlets nationwide, and at the door on the night. Great Prize on the door ticket. Big Raffle with lots of great prizes – spot prizes also. So come and give us your support. Tickets include Entertainment and Finger Buffet €20. Join us for a great night of dancing – wear pink (optional). Doors open at 7pm. Charities to benefit: Breast Cancer and St. Joseph's Foundation.

Anam Cara, the National Organisation that supports Bereaved Parents, is holding a Professional Bereavement Talk at the Silver Springs Hotel in Tivoli Cork on Wednesday, 1st May from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. This event is open to all bereaved parents and offers an opportunity to hear a professional with in-depth experience of parental bereavement, talk about the effects of grief on the family after the death of a son or a daughter. This event is offered free of charge to parents. To book a place or for further information, please contact info@anamcara.ie, call 01 / 404 5378 or visit www.anamcara.ie.

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Mitchelstown Healthy Town conducts **GROUP WALKS** every Tuesday from New Square at 7 pm. Leaders conduct walks from 3 km upwards for all ages. It is hoped that walks will expand as a social, physical and emotional amenity assist. **LADIES KEEP FIT** resumes at St. Fanahan's Hall Tuesdays at 9.30am

Mitchelstown Community Council Ltd: The Annual General Meeting of Mitchelstown Community Council Ltd will be held on Tuesday, 30th April in the Town Hall at 8pm *Sharp.* All are welcome.

'Bealtaine Festival is the celebration of creativity in older age. We invite you or your group to hold an event to celebrate Bealtaine with us during the month of May. If you are interested please call Liz Fay in Mitchelstown Library on 025 41939 or email mitchelstown.library@corkcoco.ie'

STARCAMP (as seen on Dragon's Den) - Calling all boys & girls aged 4-13 years to a fun-filled, non-competitive, week of singing dancing and drama where the building of self esteem in our children, is of paramount importance. Special family rates. Venue: Mitchelstown: St Fanahan's College. 15^{th} – 19^{th} July (9.30am-2.30pm). Booking: 021-4377900 or online www.starcamp.ie.

MITCHESTOWN COMMUNITY GAMES

Tennis U13 Ballinlough April 27th, Basketball U11,13, Camogie U14, Boys Football U10, Girls football U12, Hurling U11, Rounder's U13, Skittles U12,14,16, Soccer Outdoor U12, U15 Girls, Spikeball U14, Futsal U13, Athletics U8-16 ATHLETICS Wednesday 7-8 pm St. Fanahan's. Spikeball 8pm. CBS Contact Facebook mitchelstowncommunitygames, John Casey 085-1639833, Seamus Fox 087-3589734

T.O. Park Annual Trip to Knock: Sunday, May 12th leaving the Square, Mitchelstown at 7.00am. Breakfast on the way, Dinner on the way home. Seats on the bus are filling fast. Book yours by calling T.O. on (025) 84372, leave your name and number or call Stella on (025) 24009 or Deci on (086) 4005727.

St. Joseph's Foundation will hold its **Annual Spring Fair this Sunday, 28**th **April at Baker's Road, Charleville at 1.30pm.** This promises to be a very enjoyable event and there will be lots of Stalls, Sideshows and Entertainment for all the family. Your support would be very much appreciated.

THE KNOTS DRAYER.

Dear God: Please untie the knots that are in my mind, my beart and my life. Remove the bave nots, the can nots and the do nots that I have in my mind.

Erase all the will nots, may nots, might nots, that may find a home in my heart.

Release me from the could nots, would nots and should nots, that obstruct my life.

And most of all Dear God, I ask that you remove from my mind, my heart and my life all the "am nots"

that I have allowed to hold me back, especially the thought, that I am not good enough. Amen

Author Known to God.

Alliance of the Holy Family International. The AHFI is a movement dedicated to the worldwide promotion of the sanctification of the family through the Alliance of the Two Hearts, Jesus and Mary, approved by Pope Benedict XVI.

Two Hearts Weekend Retreat: Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th May 2013

Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth, (Beside the Train Station).

A powerful spiritual team led by: Fr. Edgardo Arellano (Fr. Bing) AHFI Spiritual Director & TV Host of EWTN.

Programme: "One in their Hearts" Guaranteed to experience a wonderful weekend of SPIRITUAL HEALING & your opportunity to hear the TRUTH.

For further information, please contact Dolores (086) 8329472, Etta (086) 8134060 or Carmel (086) 1011121.