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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](http://www.mitchelstownparish.ie)**

***Fr. Greene C.C. is on Sick Call this week - Phone Number: 087 - 2524979***

**Cork County Macra na Feirme:** Well done to local club, Ballyhoura Macra, who took part in the senior debating national quarter finals yesterday, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March in Tipperary. More details next week.

Cork County Macra Mock Wedding will take place on May 23<sup>rd</sup> in Ballincollig Rugby Club. Doors open at 7.30p.m.

For more information please contact Caitríona Fox on 086-3760487 or [pro.corkcountymacra@gmail.com](mailto:pro.corkcountymacra@gmail.com)

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### **MITCHELSTOWN HEALTHY TOWN**

**KEEP FIT FOR OVER 50'S:** Shape up class for over 50's at Tesco on Wednesdays 7-8 pm. Improved toning & flexibility. Contact 087.3589734.

**FUN AEROBICS FOR PARENTS** Tuesdays at 9.30am in St. Fanahan's gym, circuits, Tums and Bums.

**SAFE GUIDED WALKS** from John Mandeville New Sq. Tuesdays at 7 pm.

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**Awbeg Easter Camp** taking place on **22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> April** in the Town Hall, Thomas Street, Mitchelstown. We have a few places still available. If interested please contact The Awbeg C.E Office for further information on 025-86956

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### **Q Centre Woodwork Course**

**FETAC Level 3 Woodwork course** now being offered in the Q Centre, Mallow. This part-time course is **FREE** and covers woodwork and basic carpentry skills in a fully equipped woodwork room, on Tuesday afternoons from 1.30pm to 4.30pm. Learners will then be offered other FETAC courses as progression as they arise. Priority is given to those without a Leaving Cert and those on a Social Welfare Payment.

For further information contact the Q Centre, Mallow on 022 42322. Limited places are available.

## Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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### **Vigil for Life:**

A National Vigil for Life will take place on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> in Merrion Square Dublin, from 3 – 4pm. Let us keep a special place in our prayers for all who are in a crisis pregnancy. May mother and child always be safe and may they both be loved and protected.

### **Confession:**

Pope Francis extended a special call to the Sacrament of Confession on the past Friday and Saturday. A twenty four hour period of Confession was held in St. Patrick's Church, Fermoy and in four other Churches in our Diocese. The event was held in many Churches throughout the world to highlight the importance of the Sacrament of Confession and to encourage people to come to the Sacrament. Pope Francis loves hearing Confession himself and encourages us to believe in the forgiveness of God and to seek His help and grace in our struggle with sin.

### **Stations of the Cross on Corrin:**

The Parish of Mitchelstown will lead the **Stations of the Cross** up **Corrin Hill, THIS Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.** This will take the place of the Stations in the Church. It is a very different experience of the Stations and we invite you and your family to come along. Take the Fermoy Golf Club turn off on the Old Fermoy – Rathcormac road (opposite South Coast). We will meet there at 2.50pm. The Stations of the Cross is a beautiful and powerful devotion and walking the path up Corrin Hill to the Corrin Crucifix is a very touching exercise. It is a wonderful thing to do for Lent.

**Mitchelstown Carmelite Lourdes Fund – Helping Bring the Sick to Lourdes**  
Fundraising Draw in Jackie O'Brien's, Mitchelstown, **Sunday night, 4<sup>th</sup> May**

Please support this local charity cause.

**Mitchelstown Carmelite Lourdes Committee** Anyone interested in becoming a **"Blue Tie" helper**, please forward your name to Paddy (087) 9488359



**C.B.S. SECONDARY SCHOOL - PARENTS' COUNCIL FUNRAISING BINGO**  
**THIS Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 8pm** in the School Hall. Jackpot €150, Spot Prizes.  
 Teas and Coffees. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

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**JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB** are holding an **Easter Camp** on the **15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> of April**.  
 Registration is essential as names will not be taken on the day due to insurance  
 purposes. All ages are catered for. Costing €4 per hour per day per child.

No equipment is needed as it will be supplied.

Please contact Catherine on 086 – 2487454

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**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April New & Used Clothes Collection** in  
 aid of **Ballygiblin National School** more details closer to the date.

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**THANK YOU:** Joan Considine and Kay O'Gorman would like to say a huge Thank You to  
 the following local Preschools who allowed us to fundraise on Friday March 7<sup>th</sup> by  
 way of a Pyjama/Odd Sock Day in aid of our upcoming Malin to Mizen Cycle with all  
 money raised going to St Josephs Foundation in Charleville.

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| ◆ Bright Sparks Childcare Centre | ◆ Tree Tops in Kilbehenny         |
| ◆ Mella Finns                    | ◆ Mary Milward's                  |
| ◆ Pauline Dillane's              | ◆ The Naonrai                     |
| ◆ Kate's Montessori              | ◆ Kildorrerry Community Preschool |

A total of €1057.38 is the total sum raised and we thank everybody who helped make  
 that possible.

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Looking for a fun way to volunteer? **Barnardos** have been announced as the charity  
 partner for the **Colour Me Fun Run** which is taking place on **Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May in**  
**C.I.T. Sports Grounds, Cork**. Barnardos will receive 20% of all ticket sales for this  
 event which is fantastic support for work in the Cork area. Volunteers are required  
 from 10am to assist with the running of this event. If you are interested in volunteering  
 for this fun colourtastic event please contact Suzanne in Barnardos - by email:  
[volunteers@barnardos.ie](mailto:volunteers@barnardos.ie) / call: 01 7080431 / text: 086-857 0112.

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**Festival of the Galtees FUNDRAISING DANCE** in the Firgrove Hotel on **Friday,**  
**April 4<sup>th</sup> from 9pm to 12.30am. Music by the famous Chequers.** Local Charities to  
 benefit from this year's festival – **Alzheimer's / Carmelites Lourdes Group**, two  
 worthy causes. Great Raffle Prizes on the night. Your support would be greatly  
 appreciated. Thank You.

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**Appeal from Sue Ryder Foundation:** We are appealing for some good quality furniture  
 to sell in our store at Lower Cork Street. Collection can be arranged. Also clothes, shoes,  
 Bric a Brac and books. We are also appealing for volunteers. So if you have any time to  
 spare please call in for an application form. Thank you for your continued support.

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**Mulberry Montessori Pre-school, Mulberry, - ECCE places available**

Open Day Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 12 to 3pm

Also taking bookings for: Summer Camp, July 2014 (ages 3 to 6)

For further information contact: (025 85823)

**Fionn Doyle Fundraising Table Quiz:** A Fundraising Table Quiz is taking place, **Friday 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**April at 9pm in The Hunters Rest.** The quiz is being run as a fundraiser to support the  
 family of little Fionn Doyle who is being treated for Leukaemia. From a local family, living in  
 Kildorrerry, Fionn's mother Eimear teaches at Bunscoil na Toirbhirte in Mitchelstown.  
 Many people will already be aware of Fionn's story, he is 2½ years old, he'll be 3 in August.  
 Fionn was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia (A.L.L.) on March 3<sup>rd</sup> last year  
 when he was only 18 months old. He has been receiving Chemotherapy treatment since  
 and will continue to do so for the next two and a half years. Fionn's treatment for A.L.L. is  
 all going to plan, however it's a very long road for him and his family, especially his young  
 sisters Saoirse 4, and Amy 9. The family are incredibly grateful for the continued support  
 they're receiving from the local community, the kindness of people, many of whom have  
 been through similar experiences, have been overwhelming. This has given the family the  
 strength to keep going during this difficult time. The cost of teams for this worthy cause is  
 €40, with John Hickey as quiz-master, a great night is guaranteed. Refreshments will be  
 served and with many spot prizes, as many as possible are encouraged to support this  
 fundraiser.

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Mitchelstown Macra will host **'The Big Mitchelstown Bake Off' on Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup> of April**  
**in aid of Breast Cancer Ireland.** The competition will be divided into two sections – Adult  
 and Junior (U16) bakers. People will be expected to bring their baking on the day. Baked  
 goods will be sold as well as tea and coffee at the event. If baking isn't your thing but  
 eating is, then feel free to call in and enjoy some nice treats while contributing to such a  
 great cause. Make it a family afternoon out as we will have face-painters on hand to keep  
 the children entertained. The event will kick-off at 2pm in the Town Hall Mitchelstown. All  
 funds raised will be going directly to Breast Cancer Ireland. For more details contact  
 Mairead on 087-7501033 or email [mitchelstown.macra@gmail.com](mailto:mitchelstown.macra@gmail.com)

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### **Ozanam Computer Centre Mitchelstown**

025 84733    [www.ozanamcomputers.com](http://www.ozanamcomputers.com)    [svpmitchelstown@gmail.com](mailto:svpmitchelstown@gmail.com)

Course:	Date:	Time:	Classes:	Price:
E-Banking	Tues Night 13 <sup>th</sup> May	7pm – 9pm	1	€12
Skype	Tues Night 20 <sup>th</sup> May	7pm – 9pm	1	€12
Beginners Computers	Wed Morning 21 <sup>st</sup> May	10am-12.30pm	6	€95
Beginners Typing:	Thurs Morning 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	10am-12.30pm	8	€90
E-Bay & Pay Pal	Tues Night 27 <sup>th</sup> May	7pm – 9.30pm	1	€15
Twitter	Tues Night 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	7pm – 9.30pm	1	€15
Facebook	Tues Night 10 <sup>th</sup> June	7pm – 9pm	1	€12

*Please note that classes will only run if sufficient numbers enrol. A non-refundable deposit  
 is required to secure a place on these courses.*

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**Ballindangan Monday Morning Club:** The club are going to visit Kilcoran Garden Centre  
 on **THIS Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March** where Mary Scally will be showing all in attendance how to  
 plant up window boxes & pots. Please note that we meet at entrance of Kilcoran Garden  
 Centre at 10.20am.