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. 1<sup>st</sup> Friday: 7.30p.m. - Weekday: 8.30a.m. & 10a.m. Morning Praver 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<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month. BALLYGIBLIN: 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 7p.m. KILLACLUIG: before 1st Friday Mass. 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 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 Priest on Sick call this week is: Canon O'Leary Sick Call Phone Number: 087 - 2524979

#### Pharmacv Rota:

**Fitzgibbon's** Pharmacy open this Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> December 11.30a.m. To 1.30p.m.

Supports available for people in emotional distress or those with thoughts of Suicide.

Are you experiencing emotional distress or worried about someone else in your life that you think needs support, as they may be vulnerable and is potentially at risk of taking their own life? If so, the following supports are available to you:

- 1Life Freephone 24/7 Helpline: 1800 247 100 or Text 'help' to 51444
- HSE South Free-phone 24/7 Suicide Prevention Helpline: 1800 742 745
- HSE South Free-phone 24/7 Farm & Rural Stress Helpline: 1800 742 645
- Samaritans Low-call 24/7 helpline 1850 60 90 90 E-mail: jo@samaritans.org
- South Doc Out of Hours GP service: 1850 335 999 Website: www.southdoc.ie
- Contact your nearest Emergency Department (A&E)
- Talk to Someone You Trust! How? Just start by saving, "I need to talk..."

Supports for those bereaved or affected by someone who has died by Suicide If you have been bereaved by suicide or affected by someone who has taken their own life, support is available for you through a partnership between the HSE South and Console. Individuals, families or community groups and organisations who have been affected by someone who has died by suicide can avail of the following support:

- Samaritans Low-call 24/7 helpline 1850 60 90 90 E-mail: jo@samaritans.org
- HSE South 24/7 Suicide Bereavement Helpline phone: 087 7986944
- Console Free-phone 24/7 helpline 1800 201 890 or E-mail info@console.ie
- Console's Southern Region Office can be contacted on 021 4274218.

# Mitchelstown Parish & Community Newsletter

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#### **Episcopal Ordination of Canon William Crean.**

The ordination of the new Bishop of our Diocese. Canon William Crean will take place on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 3pm, in St. Colman's Cathedral Cobh. In order to allow for the smooth running of the ceremony, it will be all ticket. Tickets will be allocated to each parish based on population. Mitchelstown Parish has been allocated 22 tickets. We now invite all who are interested in attending the Ordination to submit their names to the Parish Office as soon as possible. The tickets will be allocated in a draw. After the 22 tickets have been allocated, the remaining names will be put on a waiting list.

Those travelling are asked to do so together, in order to limit traffic as much as possible. We will consider hiring a minibus - coaches are not recommended. The Cork train to Cobh is also recommended. Tickets will be issued in early January. Please send in your names as soon as possible for this very historic day for the Diocese.

#### 2013 - A New Year:

As we give thanks for 2012, we look forward in hope to 2013. Every year is a mixture of joy and sorrow and for many of you 2012 has been significant for various reasons. As people of faith we believe that God is always with us. With the passing of another year, our journey through life is leading us closer to God and our eternal reward. We are always full of hope and expectation. Let us leave the past to God's mercy, the present to His love

## A Word of Thanks:

Thanks to all the Parishioners for their love and support for the priests and the Parish throughout the year. Thanks to all who helped in a thousand and one ways in running the Parish throughout the year and your generous self-giving of your time and energy. May God reward you all and may you see your Parish grow stronger every day. Thanks especially to the Parish Secretary, Patricia who helps in so many ways to co-ordinate all the other works of the Parish. Every service to the Parish, no matter how small or hidden, makes Mitchelstown the great Parish

Any payments being made to the parish by cheque, should be made payable to "Mitchelstown Parish"

The **Roche Family** are hosting a **Coffee Day**, in aid of St Francis Hospice Raheny and Marymount Hospice Cork, on **Saturday 5th January 2013** at **Peter and Eilís Watson's home, Knockanevin**, from 10am - 5pm. Please join us for a cup of coffee or tea in support of such a worthy cause. All donations will be gratefully received.

THANK You: Louise White would like to thank all those who contributed to the **TEAM HOPE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL.** A Total of 2605 shoeboxes were collected and are now on their way to Ukraine.

Eucharistic Adoration - we are looking for adorers for the following hoursThursday 8 - 9amThursday 7 - 8pmFriday 8 - 9amFriday 9 - 10amIf interested please contact Catherine Hanley on 087 7727496.

PARISH OFFICE <u>CLOSED</u> until THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY 2013.

### 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 St. Vincent de Paul 025-84733 Gardaí. Mitchelstown 025 84833 MITCHELSTOWN CITIZEN'S INFORMATION CENTRE for all your information needs. Marian Hall, Convent Hill. Opening hours Mon, Tue, Thurs, & Fri 10am-12noon, Thursday 2pm-4pm & 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 & 2-4. 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

**St. Vincent de Paul:** The President and Conference members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul wish to express sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed in any way to our organisation during the past year. A special word of thanks to all our volunteers who give tirelessly of their time, week in, week out. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy and peaceful Christmas and every blessing in 2013.

**Cookery:** Classes with Mary O'Farrell will resume on Wednesday January 9<sup>th</sup> Mary can be contacted on: 087 9431258

Dear Lord,

We pray that this New Year will bring us closer to You. May we take the time to get to know You. Help us to truly celebrate the gifts You have graciously given us and use them to serve You and spread Your word, May we also see and love you in all the people we meet, so that in turn, they can see You in us. We know that all human relations take time if they are to grow and deepen. This is also true of our relations with You, the Father and the Holy Spirit, which must grow over the course of our lives. In this New Year, let us realise that every action of ours no matter how great or small enables us to be in touch with You. Let us accept You in our lives, in the way it pleases You, as Truth, to be spoken, as Life, to be lived, as Light, to be lighted, as Love, to be followed, as Joy, to be given, as Peace, to be spread about,

as Sacrifice, to be offered among our relatives, friends, neighbours and all people. Amen

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On Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> January, there will be a 'Unite for Life' pro-life Vigil held in Dublin at 4.30pm in Merrion Square. Please make every effort to be there and to encourage family, friends and neighbours to do likewise. The vigil will have a positive, clear message about safeguarding the lives of mothers and babies in pregnancy. Posters will be provided on the day. Please do your part to spread the word. For further information, contact Denise on (087) 266 8702.

A special thank you to the 212 DONORS who attended the recent clinics held in Mitchelstown. Donors, together with the families, friends and neighbours that support them, make up a community that brings life and hope to hospital patients every day.