PARISH CENTRE: 22229/22779; CATHEDRAL PRESBYTERY: 22505 BÓTHAR-NA-NAOMH PRESBYTERY: 22688;

PARISH WEBSITE: www.thurlesparish.ie

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Bóthar na Naomh: Saturday 6.30 p.m.; Sunday: 9.30 a.m. & 11.30 a.m. Cathedral: Saturday 7.30 p.m.; Sunday 8.30 a.m., 10.30 a.m. & 12 noon. EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL:

WEEKDAYS: 11.30 A.M. – 7.30 P.M.; SUNDAYS: 1.00 P.M. – 7.00 P.M.

DEVOTIONS: Cathedral, Sunday 7.00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS CLERGY COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this Collection. Target: €177,261.00. Amount collected: €40,985.00. Total collected to date: €164,292.00. All outstanding envelopes much appreciated. COLLECTIONS 2015: Each household will have received the Parish Calendar, List of Priests' Areas, Letter to Parishioners and package containing envelopes for all Church Collections, including Weekly Offertory Envelopes are being introduced so that Thurles Parish can benefit further from the Charity Tax Refund Scheme which is particularly relevant to parishioners who are taxpayers (PAYE & Self Assessed). Extra boxes of envelopes are available at the back of both churches should any household need more than one box.



CRIBS: During the Christmas season you are welcome to visit our cribs in Bóthar Na Naomh Church and the Cathedral to give thanks for God's love and to pray for peace throughout the world.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD TUESDAY, JANUARY 6TH - HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION MASS TIMES

Cathedral: Monday 7.30p.m. Tuesday 8.00 a.m., 11.00a.m. & 7.30 p.m. **Bóthar na Naomh Church**: Monday @ 6.30p.m. Tuesday 10.00 a.m.

HOLY FAMILY CONFRATERNITY MASS: Every Tuesday, Cathedral @ 7.30p.m. with Holy Family Prayers @ 7.15p.m.

FAMILY MASS: Cathedral Saturday January 10th 7.30p.m. All are welcome. **ACCORD COUNSELLING SERVICE**: Accord offers a professional and confidential service facilitating couples and individuals to explore, reflect upon and resolve difficulties in their marriage relationship. Accord Counsellors are trained to the highest professional standards. Accord training is accredited by the National Association of Pastoral Counsellor and Psychotherapists. To arrange an appointment contact **1850 303 202** (10.30 am – 1.30 pm. Monday – Friday) or 24 hr confidential answering service.

CITIZEN'S INFORMATION CENTRE: 34/35 Croke Street. Independent & confidential Information & Advice on Rights & Entitlements. Contact 0761 076510.

Offertory Collection December 27th & 28th 2014:

Cathedral: €2,178.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,708.00;

PARISH DEVELOPMENT PLAN: We appeal to your generosity over the Christmas period to ensure the ongoing maintenance of our magnificent Cathedral. You may contribute to our Christmas Cathedral Maintenance Appeal using the donation boxes in the Cathedral. With thanks for your contributions.

DÚRLAS ÓG JUVENILE CLUB: Progressive 25 Drive @ Thurles Sarsfields Social Centre, Wednesday 7th January @ 8.30p.m. Tickets €10 & teas served. **CARERS ASSOCIATION** are providing QQI (FETAC) LEVEL 5 Healthcare Support Major Award Training in your area in January 2015. Also providing Topic Specific workshops for Family Carers. Contact 057 93 22920.

SENIOR HELP LINE IS OPEN OVER CHRISTMAS: Ireland's only confidential listening service for older people provided by older volunteers is open 365 days of the year. The help line is open every day of the Christmas holiday and New Year season from 10.00 a.m. – 10.00 p.m. So don't be alone! Phone Senior Help Line LoCall 1850 440 444, (no call costing more than 30 cent).

THURLES CARE THANKS: Sincere thanks to all who supported in many ways our coffee morning in McKevitts Costcutters on Monday December 21st. A total of €506.38 was raised on the day. Thurles Care appreciate the ongoing support they receive from their volunteers and groups in the parish.

CABRAGH WETLANDS: A night of music, song and dance in the weltands centre on Tuesday, January 6th @ 8.00p.m. All are welcome.

TIPPERARY READS FESTIVAL: Crime author Sophie Hannah will read from her novel 'Kind of Cruel' in Thurles Library, Saturday 10th January @ 7.00p.m. Refreshments will be served and all are welcome.

I.C.A.: Aqua Aerobics resume Anner Hotel Leisure Centre Jan. 5th @ 7.30p.m. **NORTH TIPP SPORTS PARTNERSHIP** in association with the RTE

programme Operation Transformation are holding a Fun Family Walk on the Sli na Slainte Route in Templemore on Saturday January 17th 2015.

Registration @ 9.30a.m. Walk will start @ 10.00a.m. No dogs allowed. For further information please contact Elaine Cullinan, North Tipperary Sports Partnership, Tel 067-43604, email: elaine@ntsp.ie.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. Jan. 6th, 8.30 p.m.: Parents' Baptism Preparation Meeting.

Wed. Jan. 7th, 4.00p.m.: Parish Youth Choir.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Alfie Lee Quinn, Cluain Dara, Monadreen.

RECENTLY DECEASED: 廿Jo Jo Treacy, Stradavoher. **廿**Pa McGuire, 2 Óisin Tce., Kickham Street. **廿**Mary Connors, 19 Innisfallen Avenue. **廿**Frances Whelan, 10 Seán Treacy Avenue. **廿** James J. Tierney, Lincoln, England. **廿**Teresa C. O'Neill, New Ross, Co. Wexford, formerly Friar Street.