

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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.



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.

CHRISTMAS CLERGY COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this Collection. Annual Target: **€165,700.50**. Amount collected to date: **€157,117.00**. All outstanding envelopes much appreciated.

YEAR OF MERCY AT THE CATHEDRAL - follow our pilgrimage route using the leaflet available at our Door of Mercy.

VOCATIONS WEEKEND In St. Patrick's College, Thurles, February 5th - 6th. Maybe you have been thinking about the priesthood as a way of life for you? Maybe you have felt you are being called? This event is an opportunity for you to 'Come and See'. Contact Fr. Joe Walsh @ 086 7714888 or your local priest.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Like Jesus, you are called God's beloved. Renew your baptismal commitment and pray for those discerning a call to priesthood or religious life. (Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22). If you think God is calling you to priesthood, call Fr. Joe Walsh, Vocations Director 086-7714888 or email jwalsh05@eircom.net.

WORLD YOUTH DAY: Krakow, Poland July 25th – 31st 2016. Are you interested in a week of faith and fun that could change your life? Why not represent your parish as a pilgrim at World Youth Day. Contact your local priest or see the poster on the church noticeboard for further information about #WYD#Krakow2016.

ECO-SPIRITUALITY GROUP: "We care about the Earth because it is God's Earth". Meeting Thursday January 14th @ 6.30p.m., Parish Centre. Reading for reflection is Laudato Si, Paragraphs 32-37 and 65-67. All are welcome!

PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES: Meeting Monday January 11th @ 8.00p.m.

MARANATHA PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM: Invites you to the Family Tree Mass & Healing Retreat Sunday January 17th in St. Paul's Church, Dooradoyle, Limerick @ 2.30p.m. All are welcome.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – PARISH CENTRE:

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| Mon. Jan. 11 th , 4.00 p.m.: | Catholic Initiation Group. |
| Tues. Jan. 12 th , 4.00p.m.: | Parish Youth Choir |
| Thur. Jan. 14 th , 6.30p.m.: | Eco-Spirituality Group. |

OFFERTORY COLLECTION January 2nd & 3rd 2016:

Cathedral: €2,441.00; **Bóthar na Naomh:** €1,980.00

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED: To help with flowers in Bóthar na Naomh Church. Contact 0504 23394.

ANAM CARA: Is holding its monthly Parent Evening, Monday January 18th from 7.30p.m. – 9.00p.m. @ Horse & Jockey Hotel. For further information see www.anamcara.ie or email info@anamcara.ie or call 01 4045378.

THURLES MUSICAL SOCIETY: *Children wanted for Evita* – Thurles Musical Society will stage Evita in The Premier Hall from March 15th – 19th and are looking for children from 4th – 6th classes, boys and girls to participate. Stage experience not necessary but all must be able to sing. Auditions will be held on Saturday January 16th in The Anner Hotel and anyone interested should text their name to 085 2868726. Further information available from this number or from any Musical Society member. The audition piece will be the Santa Evita number which is available to view on YouTube. Rehearsals for adults continue on Tuesday and Thursday's – all are welcome! Auditions for adult parts also takes place on Saturday January 16th.

THURLES SPECIAL OLYMPICS CLUB: Basketball returns next Wednesday January 13th, Sarsfields Centre 7.00p.m. – 8.00p.m.

THANKS: The Monks Christmas Carol Singers and Collectors in Association with the Monks Golf Society would like to thank all those people who contributed so generously to their Christm as Carol Singing bucket collections in Thurles before Christmas. The local charities who benefited were Suir Haven Cancer Support Group, St. Vincent de Paul, Meals on Wheels, Thurles Mental Health Group, Inclusive Opportunities (Cabragh), Thurles Care Group, Hospital of the Assumption, Thurles Day Care Centre and Tipperary Talking Newspapers.

CHARITY DANCE: Sunday January 10th, Anner Hotel, 3.00p.m. – 6.00p.m. in aid of Thurles Day Care Centre. Music by Philip English. Refreshments provided. Adm. €10. Please come along, your support is greatly appreciated!

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom, Sunday January 10th. Music by "Dave Rae". Dancing 9.00p.m. – midnight. Admission €8.00.

LOST: Engagement ring in Thurles. Also lost red purse in Bóthar na Naomh area. If found please contact Parish Centre.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Eoin Daniel Commins, Clobanna. *Fionnuala Marjorie Upton Cahill, U.S.A.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Seán Ryan, Beechwood Grove, formerly Sean Treacy Avenue. †Ambrose (Amby) Fogarty, Cluain Glas formerly Dublin. †William (Billy) Stapleton, Semple Villas, formerly Templemore. †Jimmy Sheppard, Moycarkey. †Kathleen Murphy, Carlow. †Stella Kelly, Durrow. †Sheila O'Reilly, Clonlara, Co. Clare. †Terrie Horgan, née Carew, Mallow, formerly Innisfallen Ave. †Tom Carroll, Clonmel, formerly Ballycahill.