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.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK OF PRAYER: January 18th – 25th. 2016 Theme: "Call to proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord" (1 Pt 2:9). Ecumenical Evening Prayer for Christian Unity in the Cathedral next Sunday, January 24th @ 7.00 p.m.

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 for 2015 much appreciated. YEAR OF MERCY AT THE CATHEDRAL - follow our pilgrimage route using the leaflet available at our Door of Mercy.

THURLES PARISH CELLS: Meetings resume on Monday/Tuesday of next week. Small groups of people gather to consider Sunday's Gospel reading, listen to a pre-recorded reflection and discuss their own Faith, all in the welcoming surrounds of a family home. Why not give it a try! You will be most welcome. Call the Parish Centre at 22229.

EXHIBITION OF CLUBS, ORGANISATIONS & SOCIETIES in Thurles on **February 5th & 6th** @ the **Premier Hall**. All are welcome to see, acknowledge and celebrate the involvement and dedicated voluntary effort of all our groups which enhance the life of our community.

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

VOCATIONS WEEKEND St. Patrick's College, 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: God brings us through difficult experiences and always leads us to life. Depend on the Holy Spirit to guide you on the path of life. (Luke 4:1-13) If you think God is calling you to priesthood, call Fr. Joe Walsh, Vocations Director 086-7714888 or email jwalsho5@eircom.net

WORLD YOUTH DAY: Krakow, Poland July 25th – **31**st **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.

DAY RETREAT: By Frances Hogan on the Divine Will, Pallottine College, Saturday January 30th @ 9.30 a.m., concluding with Mass at 5.00 p.m. Celebrant: Fr. Con Doherty M.S.C. Booking essential @ 085 1160699.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION January 9th & 10th 2016: Cathedral: €2,453.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,111.00.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – PARISH CENTRE:

Mon. Jan. 18th, 5.00 p.m.: Parish Pastoral Council Working Group.

Tues. Jan. 19th, 11.00a.m.: Adult Faith Formation Group.

Tues. Jan. 19th, 8.30p.m.: Parents Baptism Preparation Meeting.

Wed. Jan. 20th, 8.00p.m.: Core Group Meeting.

Thur. Jan. 21st, 4.00p.m.: Bereavement Support Group Meeting.

Thurs. Jan. 21st, 6.30 p.m.: Scoil Angela First Communion Parents Meeting.

Thur. Jan. 21st, 8.00p.m.: People & Priests Meeting.

Sat. Jan. 23rd, 12 noon: Carol Service Planning Group Meeting.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: LÁMH CHÚNTA:

Tues. Jan. 19th, 6.00 p.m.: Presentation First Communion Parents Meeting; Tues. Jan. 19th, 7.00 p.m.: Presentation Confirmation Parents Meeting;

Tues. Jan. 19th 8.00p.m.: Planning for Lent & Easter Meeting.

Wed. Jan. 20th, 7.30 p.m.: Gaelscoil First Communion Parents Meeting.

URSULINE ASSOCIATES: Meeting Monday January 18th @ 8.00p.m.

ANAM CARA: 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.

SCOIL MHUIRE PRESENTATION PRIMARY SCHOOL: Open & Enrolment Day Thursday January 21st @ 12.00 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. New children & parents welcome. Tel. 0504 22331 or email info@presprimarythurles.ie "Enjoy the flavour of our working day". Busy Bees Pre-School and Clever Clogs Montessori will also be open! FULL TIME & PART TIME COURSES FOR ADULTS: Coláiste Éile have places available for full time and part time courses in a variety of areas including HORTICULTURE and COMPUTER TRAINING. There are no costs to medical card holders or social protection recipients. Please telephone Bernie at 0504 21166 or just call in between 10.00 am & 12.30pm each day to find out more.

CBS THURLES presents 'Back to the 80's' the musical. Join us for a very enjoyable night of music drama and dance with the feel good classics from the 80's like Footloose and Walking on Sunshine. Premier Hall: January 21st, 22nd & 23rd - Curtain up 8.15 p.m. Book on 0504-20729 to avoid disappointment, (group concessions available).

THURLES SPECIAL OLYMPICS CLUB: A.G.M. Tues. Jan. 19th in Arch Bar @ 7.30 p.m. ACTIVE RETIREMENT MEETING: Wed. Jan. 20th, 11.00 a.m., Order of Malta Rooms. TIPPERARY PEOPLE & PLACES LECTURE SERIES: The Source, Tues. Jan. 19th, 7.30 p.m. In 'The hidden lives of a Tipperaryman: O'Mulrian (d.1737/Belgrade), scholar and officer of the Habsburg army', Dr. Dagmar Ó Riain Raedel recalls the story of a Tipp soldier who was also author of a history of Ireland. Info @ 29278.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Ellie Marie Moore, Old Moyne Road.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Elizabeth (Liz) Balfe, Garrenroe & Leixlip, Co. Kildare. †Sheila Flynn, Ballygemmane. †Kieran O'Sullivan, Iona Avenue, formerly Bouladuff. †Willie Corbett, Drombane. †Kathleen Long, Clogher, Clonoulty. †Rosie Foley née St. John, Dublin, formerly Kickham Street. †Mary Sheedy, Springfield, Clonlara, Co. Clare. †Tony Harris, Baybush, Straffan, Co. Kildare, formerly Loughtagalla. †Gwen Reilly, née Guina, Newry formerly Thurles.