

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.

EUCARISTIC ADORATION – BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL:

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

First Corporal Work of Mercy: Feed the Hungry

Reflection: In our western world where shops are piled high with foodstuffs, it is hard to visualise a situation where every day is a life and death struggle for food and water.

Action: Do something this week to “*feed the hungry*”; give a donation to Vincent de Paul or Trócaire.

YEAR OF MERCY AT THE CATHEDRAL: The guided pilgrimage which begins at the Door of Mercy continues each Friday in Lent commencing @ 10.30a.m. All welcome.

YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE TO HOLYCROSS ABBEY: Sunday, March 6th @ 3.15 p.m. consisting of Stations of the Cross (outdoor – weather permitting) followed by concelebrated Mass led by Archbishop Kieran @ 4.00 p.m. Confessions available.

FAMILY MASS: Saturday next, March 12th, at 7.30p.m. in the Cathedral.

Lenten Theme: ‘*BE people of Mercy*’.

EVENING PRAYER during Lent in Bóthar na Naomh Church, Sunday @ 7.00 p.m.:

MASS TIMES FOR LENT 2016: Usual Daily Mass Times.

TRÓCAIRE: We welcome our Trócaire speakers **Colm Hogan** and **Jason Rice** to our parish this weekend. In addition to their presentation upon the work of Trócaire which concerns poverty due to climate change and in conjunction with National Tree Week, our Eco Spirituality Group have organised that Jason plant an oak tree in the grounds of Bóthar na Naomh Church after 11.30 a.m. Mass this Sunday.

DIOCESAN NEEDS APPEAL COLLECTION: Will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, March 5th & 6th. The purpose of this collection is to enable each parish to contribute to the cost of the administration of the diocese and the church at national level. Target: **€30,828.00.** (Blue envelope: 6-Mar-2016).

PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES: Monday March 7th @ 7.30 p.m.

ENTERPRISE TOWN EVENT – ST. PATRICK’S COLLEGE: **Friday March 11th** - arising from the success of the Exhibition we encourage and emphasise the importance of participation of all Groups in the Enterprise Town Event – details at Parish Office.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE Thur. 17th March @ 4.00p.m. from Abbey Road. The committee are inviting entrants to mark the occasion in a special commemorative fashion celebrating 2016 as it is the Centenary Year of the 1916 Easter Rising.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – PARISH CENTRE

Tues. March 8th, 11.00 a.m.: Parish Liturgy Group;

Tues. March 8th, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – LÁMH CHÚNTA

Mon. March 7th, 7.30p.m.: ‘*Grow in Love*’ Parents Programme.

Tues. March 8th, 7.30 p.m.: Gaelscoil Confirmation Parents’ Refreshments.

Wed. March 9th, 7.30 p.m.: Scoil Ailbhe Confirmation Parents’ Refreshments.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION February 27th & 28th 2016:

Cathedral: €2,543.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,928.00.

SEACHTAIN NA GAELIGE - ST. PATRICK’S COLLEGE: Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill will give Aoichaint Sheachtain na Gaeilge in St. Patrick's College on Tues., March 8th @ 7.00 p.m., followed by a reception. Further information @ LNiCheallaigh@stpats.ie

PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL FASHION SHOW: Sports Complex, Thurs. March 10th, 8.00 p.m. Tickets available from school office @ 22291.

COFFEE MORNING: In aid of Milford Hospice in **Cabragh Wetlands**, Friday March 11th from 11.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. Your support appreciated!

CABRAGH WETLANDS: Lecture ‘Exploring 1916, before and after in Thurles and beyond’, Thur. 10th March 7.00p.m. Admission Free – Booking 086 6008860.

GAELSCOIL BHRÍDE TABLE QUIZ in aid of School Library on Friday March 11th in the Monks Pub, commencing at 8.30 p.m. €20 per Team. Please support.

LEUGH N.S. TABLE QUIZ: Fri. March 11th, 8.30 p.m., Hickey's Pub. Table of 4 - €20.

BOOKING OFFICE FOR THURLES MUSICAL SOCIETY’S EVITA: Opens on Tuesday next in Hickey's Pharmacy, Liberty Square - 085 2868726. The show runs from Tues. March 15th – Sat. 19th in The Premier Hall. Tickets: €20 adults; €10 children. OAP discount night Wednesday - €10. Family ticket €50. All tickets cost €20 on opening night which is a benefit night for the Presentation Secondary Schools Astro Turf Pitch Project. See you there.

HORSE & JOCKEY SINGERS present **TIPPERARY ECHOES OF 1916**, a Tipperary commemoration of the 1916 Rising in music, verse, song and story, on Friday 18th March at 8.00 p.m. sharp, at the Derrynaflan Theatre, Horse & Jockey Hotel. Tickets €15, are available from hotel reception or from Connie O’ Keeffe: 087 6667988. Please book early to avoid disappointment. Period costume optional.

FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB: Next meeting Tuesday 8th March @ 8.15p.m. Garden talk by Michael Caplis, Knights of Malta Hall. Non Members welcome.

THURLES DISTRICT VINTAGE CLUB: First Tractor/Car run of the new season Sunday March 13th starting from Inch Community Centre, The Ragg. Registration from 11.00 a.m. Refreshments provided. Proceeds to North Tipp Hospice.

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Hall, Sunday March 6th, 9.00 – 12 midnight. Music by ‘Declan Aungier’.

CLUB FOR DANCING A.G.M.: Monday March 7th, Premier Hall @ 8.00 p.m.

THURLES CEILI & SET CLUB: Céili Sun. March 6th @ 8.00p.m., Bandhall.

VINTAGE, CRAFT & FOOD FAIR: Sun. March 13th, noon – 6.00 p.m., Anner Hotel.

CO.TIPPERARY DRAMA FESTIVAL: March 11th – 19th with nine nights of different plays @ 8.30 p.m. each night, St. Michael’s Hall, Holycross. See www.tipperarydrama.ie or phone 086-2575159 for full details.

SERVICES FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PEOPLE: Next clinic **Monday March 7th**, 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. in St Mary’s Health Centre. Info @ 061 467 494.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Sr. Angela O’Dwyer, Sisters of Mercy, Carrick-on-Suir, formerly Skeard, Holycross. †Martin Ferncombe, Regaile, Boherlahan. †Michael Foley, Mallow formerly Ballycahill. †John Molloy, Bray, Co. Wicklow, formerly Errill, Co. Laois.