

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.

MAY EVENING PRAYER: Cathedral, Sunday @ 7.00 p.m.

JUNE CLERGY COLLECTION: Next weekend, June 4/5 2016. The money collected in each parish goes to a central diocesan fund from which all priests in the Diocese are paid. Target this year: **€161,847.00**. Amount collected to date: **€51,408.50**. (Purple envelope: 5-June-16) As always we appreciate your generosity.

FIRST FRIDAY: Next Friday, June 3rd. Usual Communion Calls. Usual daily Masses in both Churches with evening Mass in Bóthar na Naomh Church @ 6.30 p.m. (preceded by Sacred Heart Confraternity Prayers at 6.15 p.m.).

THURLES PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP: Invite you to Mass in Bóthar na Naomh Church in memory of our recently deceased loved ones on **Friday June 3rd @ 6.30 p.m.** followed by refreshments in Lámh Chúnta.

A LITURGY OF THANKSGIVING, will be celebrated in Lámh Chúnta, Bóthar Na Naomh, on **Wednesday June 8th at 8.00 p.m.** We will gather in thankfulness to God for the many gifts He brings to our Parish groups and community, and also to remember those sitting exams. We will pray for healing too in our lives and there will be an opportunity to write petitions which will be brought to Lourdes on the Diocesan pilgrimage on June 16th. We extend an invitation to all to be part of the liturgy on June 8th.

YEAR OF MERCY:

Mercy is the beating heart of the Gospel. True mercy, the mercy God gives to us and teaches us, demands justice. It demands that the poor find the way to be poor no longer. (*Pope Francis*)

THE FAMILY CHALLENGE: Thurles Parish invites families to take up *'The Family Challenge'* for the Year of Mercy as outlined on our Parish Website. Year of Mercy Logo Stickers for your home and our Diocesan Year of Mercy Bookmarkers are available as part of *'The Family Challenge'* at our **Parish Office**. For further details upon this invitation please visit our website @ www.thurlesparish.ie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT will take place at all Masses this weekend – the Feast of Corpus Christi.

HEALING MASS: Healing Mass Friday June 3rd in Pallottine Chapel at 7.30pm with Fr. Brendan Walsh. SAC.

PRO LIFE CAMPAIGN: Rally in support of the Eight Amendment in Molesworth St., Dublin, Saturday June 4th. Train leaving Thurles at 11.55 a.m. Info @ 086 3150790.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. May 31st, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir;

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Thurs. June 2nd, 6.45 p.m.: Eco-Spirituality Group.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETING: LÁMH CHÚNTA

Fri. June 3rd, 7.00 p.m.: Refreshments after Bereavement Mass.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION May 21st & 22nd 2016:

Cathedral: €2,503.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,007.00.

DEVELOPMENT FUND (Fund raising target: €2.5m)

Total Income to April 30th 2016: €2,126,284.00

April Income:	€
Direct Donations	210
Monthly/Weekly Contributions	95
Standing Orders	340
Car Park	310
Total April Income	955
Total Income to March 2016	2,125,329
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9th WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES DUBLIN 2018: Pope Francis has chosen Ireland to host the 9th World Meeting of Families during 2018. The dates and theme of the Meeting will be announced by Pope Francis himself. It is hoped that this very special pastoral initiative will present all of us in the Church with the opportunity and the challenge to renew, support and strengthen Irish families in their commitment to their faith. A collection to cover the costs of this event will take place at all Masses after Communion **this weekend, May 28/29**.

MAY ROSARY: Bóthar na Naomh Grotto Monday @ 5.00p.m. Our Lady's Grotto Leugh Monday & Tuesday @ 7.30 p.m.

RAHEALTY N.S. FUN RUN/WALK: Sunday May 29th. Registration from 9.30 a.m. Race commences from Rahealty N.S. at 11.00 a.m. Support greatly appreciated.

SCOIL AILBHE MUSIC CONCERT: In Scoil Ailbhe Thursday, June 2nd at 7.00 p.m. A great evening of entertainment awaits. All are welcome.

REFRESH THURLES: Best Estates Competition (3 categories) and Best Streetscape - Closing Date May 31st - Judging July/Aug - Entry Forms at Library or 087 270 1689 - Cash Prizes Facebook Page - RefreshThurles.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT MEETING: Wed. June 1st, 11.00 a.m., Order of Malta Rooms.

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom this Sunday, 9.00 p.m. – midnight. Music by 'Brendan McGee'.

I.C.A.: Monday next, May 30th in Holycross for the Stations of the Cross @ 6.30 p.m.

HORSE & JOCKEY SINGERS – SUMMER VARIETY CONCERT: Horse & Jockey Hotel, Friday June, 3rd @ 8.00 p.m. Proceeds to Thurles Order of Malta. Tickets (€15).

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND: Are providing the QQI Level 5 Healthcare Award training in Thurles in June 2016 based on demand. For more info contact the training department on 0579370221.

BANK OF IRELAND THURLES: Customer Day Thursday, June 2nd in the branch from 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. Refreshments will be served and all proceeds will be going to local Hospice. All welcome to come along

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Catherine (Rena) McLoughlin, née Doyle, Loughtagalla. †Seamus Palmer, 57 Kennedy Park. †James Palmer, England formerly 57 Kennedy Park. †Margaret (Peggy) Wall, née Hallinan, Ballinhalla, Clogheen. †Margaret McGeown, Drumnacara, Ravensdale, Dundalk. †Anna Hayes, née McCormack, South Hampton, formerly Iona Avenue.