

**PARISH CENTRE: 22229/22779; CATHEDRAL PRESBYTERY: 22505**

**BÓTHAR-NA-NAOMH PRESBYTERY: 22688.**

**PARISH WEBSITE: [www.thurlesparish.ie](http://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 this Sunday at 7.00 p.m.

**PARISH CRIBS:** During the Christmas season you are welcome to visit our cribs in Bóthar Na Naomh Church and the Cathedral to pray in thanksgiving for God's love. You are asked to pray for the success of the preparatory work involving all parishes during 2017 for the World Meeting of Families – Dublin 2018.

**FAMILY MASS:** Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7.30p.m., Cathedral. Theme: "The Holy Spirit appeared like a dove".

**CHRISTMAS POST:** If you have not received your 2017 Collection Envelopes please let us know at the Parish Office.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** "God chose us before the world began to be holy." God has chosen each person in Christ for a particular vocation. If He may be calling you to be holy through a vocation to the priesthood contact: Fr Joe Walsh 086-7714888 or your local Priest.

**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 bucket collections in Thurles before Christmas. Thanks to Declan O'Sullivan of Star Systems for the amplification which was of great benefit to us. The local charities who benefited were Suir Haven Cancer Support Group, St. Vincent de Paul, Meals on Wheels, Thurles Mental Health Group, Anusha, Thurles Care Group, Hospital of the Assumption, Thurles Day Care Centre and Tipperary Talking Newspapers.

**SOMETHING NEW FOR 2017?** Volunteer with Refresh Thurles, your local Tidy Towns Group. Tel 087 270 1689, email [refreshthurles@gmail.com](mailto:refreshthurles@gmail.com) or Facebook at Refresh Thurles. Happy New Year to everyone!

**DÚRLAS ÓG JUVENILE CLUB PROGRESSIVE 25 DRIVE:** Thurles Sarsfields Social Centre, Wednesday Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8.30 p.m. €1,000 in prizes.

**THURLES MUSICAL SOCIETY:** The first rehearsal for Thurles Musical Society's 'All Shook Up' will take place on Tuesday evening next and all are welcome to come along. The show runs in The Premier Hall from April 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> and is sure to bring plenty of entertainment to the cast, the chorus, and hopefully the audiences. If you ever thought about participating in musical theatre - now's your chance. Call 085 2868726 for further information. You won't be disappointed.

**CLUB FOR DANCING:** Premier Ballroom, Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup>, 9.00 p.m. – 12 midnight. Music by "Dermot Lyons".

**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:**

Mon. Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> 6.30 p.m.: Scoil Angela Confirmation Parents' Meeting.

Tues. Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION December 31<sup>st</sup>/January 1<sup>st</sup> 2017:**

**Cathedral: €2,252.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,927.00.**

**ANAM CARA:** The national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> from 7.30p.m. to 9.30p.m. in the Horse & Jockey Hotel, Thurles. The guest speaker for the evening is Peter McCartan. This is a free event open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for event, please RSVP to [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) before Friday January 13<sup>th</sup> or call the Information Line on 085 2888 888.

**SERVICES FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PEOPLE:** Our next clinic will be **Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in St Mary's Health Centre, Castlemeadows. This is a free service where you can acquire information regarding hearing loss, guidelines for good communication, information on equipment for your home to help you hear the doorbell, phone, smoke alarm and television. We also provide information on Irish Sign Language, Tinnitus and Lip-reading. Come in and have a chat, no need for an appointment. If you require more information please contact the resource office @ 061 467 494.

**THURLES SPECIAL OLYMPICS CLUB:** A.G.M. Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7.30p.m., Arch Bar. Training resumes in Sarsfield Centre Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> 7.00p.m. – 8.00p.m. Fitness session in L.I.T Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> 7.00p.m. – 8.00p.m. See you all there!

**NCBI:** National Council of the Blind Ireland, Kickham Street – urgently seek unwanted items – clothes, shoes, 'bits and bobs' - all gratefully appreciated.

**FOUND:** Ladies Red rimmed spectacles in Willowmere Drive after Christmas. Contact Parish Office for details.

#### **New Year Prayer**

*Our lives are made of days and nights, of seasons and years,  
for we are part of a universe of suns and moons and planets.*

*We mark ends and we make beginnings and, in all, we  
praise God for the grace and mercy that fill our days.*

*Remember us, O God:*

*from age to age be our comforter.*

*You have given us the wonder of time,*

*blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.*

*Bless your children at the turning of the year*

*and fill the months ahead with the bright hope*

*that is ours in the coming of Christ.*

*You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.*

**NEWLY BAPTISED:** \*Lucas Nathaniel Breathnach, Cluain Airne, Monadreen. \*Lily Brid Gleeson, Tower Lounge, Bohernamona Road. \*Eilís Bríd Síomha Shanahan, Rahealty. \*Érin Rosa Ní Riain, Slí na Siúire. \*Isabella Kacie Rose Hanley, Glengool North, Thurles.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** †Philomena Murphy, née O'Dowd, Oakfield Drive. †Kitty McCarthy, Blanchardstown, Dublin. †Catherine O'Brien, Mountain Road, Cahir. †Philomena Murphy, Mallow, Co. Cork.