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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 this Sunday @ 7.00 p.m.

NATIONAL CHURCH COLLECTION JULY 22/23: In aid of 25m people facing hunger crisis in east-Africa: Kenya, South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia. Special collections will take place across Ireland at all masses **this weekend, 22/23 July** to fund life-saving aid for people currently affected by the devastating hunger crisis in east-Africa. The money raised will be donated to Trócaire, the overseas development agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland, which is delivering emergency food, water and health care to the 25 million people affected. Severe drought, driven by climate change, is currently affecting Kenya, South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia and this has resulted in failed harvests and the widespread death of livestock. Conflict has exacerbated the effects in South Sudan and Somalia, with areas in both countries now on the verge of famine. Please support this appeal this weekend which will be taken up as the Second Collection after Communion. With thanks.

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION: On Wednesday July 26th, the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, a Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated in the Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. This Mass is to acknowledge the role that grandparents played and continue to play in passing on the faith. Please submit names of grandparents, living and deceased, who will be remembered during the Mass, to the Parish Office before Friday July 21st. The congregation will be addressed by Catherine Wiley, founder of the Catholic Grandparents Association.

ST. PATRICK'S ANNUAL CEMETERY MASS: Friday July 28th @ 7.30p.m. Our opportunity to gather and pray for our deceased family members and friends. Bottles of holy water will be available after the mass. Outdoor candles can be purchased on the night. Final Planning Meeting on Tuesday next, July 25th @ 8.15 p.m. in St. Patrick's Cemetery.

FENNOR GRAVEYARD: Cemetery Mass Thursday, July 27th, 7.30 p.m.

CASHEL & EMLY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Sunday, August 6th. Coach departs from Hogan's, Liberty Square @ 8.00 a.m. and from Town Hall, Templemore at 8.30 a.m. For details and booking contact Bridget @ 0504 21096 or Jim 085 8278014.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION JULY 15th & 16th 2017:

Cathedral: €2,088.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,797.00. **THE RELIC OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA (JULY 16th – 18th):** Sincere thanks to all who helped out during the visit of the Relic of St. Teresa of Calcutta – Sacristans, Choir, Singers, Stewards, Readers, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and all who assisted in any way.

LOUGH DERG 2017: You may begin the Three Day Pilgrimage on any day up to and including Sunday 13th August. Advance booking is not necessary. The Lough Derg Team can help you co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality. Contact Maureen/Lorraine on 071 9851518.

ORDER OF MALTA AMBULANCE CORPS THURLES THANKS: To all who contributed to their recent annual church gate collection. All funds go towards the upkeep of our local ambulance fleet. For information on first aid courses, event cover, and transport contact 087 239 0111.

ART TALK: Glenstal Abbey Sunday July 23rd @ 4.30 p.m. Monk and Artist Br. Emmaus, OSB., presents a discussion on sacred art with a focus on his own artwork. By highlighting the need for sacred art today, this talk will explore the impact of postmodernity as an invitation to retrieve the sacred in new ways. Contact Reception @ 061 621000 or Email:events@glenstal.com for details.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE: From Shannon, 6th - 13th Sept. Limited number of places still available. Contact (067) 32160.

CAMEO CARE CHARITY SHOP: Donations needed of furniture & household goods – suites, couches, armchairs, etc. Volunteers needed for three hours a week. Contact Margaret @ 0876866359.

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom Sunday July 23rd, 9.00 p.m. – 12 midnight. Dancing with “Checkers”.

FREE TEDDY BEAR STORYTIME & SLEEPOVER: Source Library Tuesday 25th July from 7-7pm for 3-6 year olds. Wear your pyjamas, bring your teddy and come join the fun. Leave your teddy here for a sleepover and collect it on Wednesday. Children must have parental supervision.

TWO WEEK THURLES JOB CLUB PROGRAMME: Free to all. Job Search & Interview Techniques, Manual handling Online Job searches & Applications. 40 euro paid to participants on completion of programme. Start dates: August 7th, Monday – Friday 10.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.; August 21st, Monday – Friday, 10.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Contact Suzanne/ Linda 0504 90579.

STUDY THEOLOGY BY DISTANCE LEARNING: Degree, Higher Certificate, Diploma and Certificate Courses available at The Priory Institute, Tallaght, Dn. 24. Further information: 01 4048124 or email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com and also see noticeboards.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Abbie Rose Johnson-Moore, The Glebe, Mill Road.