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 this Sunday @ 7.00p.m.

OCTOBER CLERGY COLLECTION: Will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, Sept.30th/Oct. 1st 2017. The money collected in each parish goes to a central diocesan fund from which all priests in the Diocese are paid. Target this year €154,140.00. Amount collected to date €90,539.50. (Purple Envelope: 1-Oct-17). As always we appreciate your generosity.

EVENING OF FAREWELL

We extend an open and heartfelt invitation to all in Thurles to come along to our Evening of Farewell **next Friday October 6**th **at 8.00 p.m. in the Premier Hall.** Let's make this an occasion to be remembered by the whole Parish Community. See you all in the Premier Hall on the 6th!

DAY FOR LIFE 2017: SUNDAY OCTOBER 1ST **2017.** There is currently a campaign to remove Article 40.3.3 (the pro-life article) from the *Constitution of Ireland*. Day for Life Leaflets available in both churches this weekend or visit www.dayforlife.org

FIRST FRIDAY: Next Friday, October 6th. The priest will call throughout the day for First Friday Communion. Usual daily Masses in both Churches with evening Mass in Bóthar na Naomh Church @ 6.30p.m. (Preceded by Sacred Heart Confraternity Prayers at 6.15 p.m.).

STATUE/SHRINE OF OUR LADY: To mark the 100th anniversary of the miracle of the sun and the apparition of our Lady in Fatima, a new statue and shrine dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary will be unveiled in Bóthar na Naomh Church. This will happen at a special 6.30 p.m. **Mass on Friday, October 13th** – All are welcome and please spread the word.

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING: Training for new altar servers will begin in October. New members are needed and always welcome. Contact the Parish Office, Ciara Lanigan (Cathedral) or Fr. Vincent (Bóthar na Naomh).

INTERCESSION FOR OUR ARCHBISHOP & PRIESTS: Blessed Sacrament Chapel Sunday October 1st @ 3.00p.m.

THREE HOUR VIGIL: To commemorate The Centenary of the last Apparition of Fatima will take place in Holycross Abbey on Thursday October 12th (Eve of the Apparition) from 7.00 p.m. – 10.00 p.m. Eucharistic Hour, Marian Hour and concluding with Mass. Conducted by Fr. Patrick Maria Cahill from the Community of The Family of Mary Rome. Enrolling in the Brown Scapular and Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary also.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION September 23rd & 24th 2017:

Cathedral: €2,223.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,978.00.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. Oct. 3rd 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir;

Tues. Oct. 3rd 8.30 p.m.: Parents Baptism Preparation Meeting.

Wed. Oct. 4th 7.30p.m.: Eco–Spirituality Group.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: LÁMH CHÚNTA

Mon. Oct. 2nd, 7.30 p.m.: Prayer Chain Formation Meeting

PRAYER CHAINS: We are hoping to begin prayer chains in Thurles Parish. Prayer chains are activated in response to emergency or important situations. A chain comprises of 7-12 members who make a commitment to pray a certain prayer for the intention involved when contacted by the chain leader. The chain would also try to meet once a month to pray the prayer together. If there is enough interest we hope to begin a Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayer Chain in the coming weeks. A meeting of interested parties will take place in **Lámh Chúnta on Monday 2nd Oct at 7.30 p.m.** or contact Fr. Vincent Bóthar na Naomh Presbytery.

THURLES MENS SHED: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to recent Church Gate Collection. €1,400.00 was collected.

CABRAGH WETLANDS: New Cosmic Walk (our Creation Story) will be launched this Sunday, October 1st @ 2.00 p.m. All welcome. Small entrance fee. Children free. **TRIP TO TIPP: Sunday 1st October**, has an event suitable to pretty much anyone who is looking to get active while supporting a local event in aid of the NCBI - Working for People with Sight Loss and in memory of Lorraine Shanahan. Cycling - 3 Routes available; Family Fun 6km, Walk or Run 6km Route. Registrations taken on the day or online: http://www.active.com/thurles-munster/running/distance-running-races/trip-to-tipp-2017 Further info from Billy @ 087 9253225.

SILVER BAND: Recruiting for new Band Members 12 years and over – Wednesday @ 6.00 p.m, Band Hall. For further details contact 087 2965604.

CEILI & SET CLUB: Ceili Sunday October 1st in Band Hall @ 8.00p.m. Ceol le 'Danny Webster'.

SUPPORTERS PROGRAMME: For anyone who is supporting a family member, friend or neighbour with their mental health. Practical skills, information on services as well as tips on how to look after one's own mental health. Training: **October 10th**, 17th & 24th, Order of Malta Building. <u>FREE of Charge</u> (usually €75 per person). Contact NTLP on 087 9280755 - eligibility may apply.

TWO WEEK JOB CLUB PROGRAMME: Job Search & Interview Techniques, Online Job Searches & Applications; Manual Handling Training. Start Dates: Oct. 2nd /Oct. 16th, Kickham Street. Free to all. Contact Suzanne/Linda 0504 90579.

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom Sunday October 1st, 9.00p.m. - 12 midnight. Music by "Dave Ray".

I.C.A. MEETING: Wed. Oct. 4th, 8.00 p.m., Band Hall, Stradavoher. All welcome. **ACTIVE RETIREMENT:** Wed. Oct. 4th @ 11.00a.m., Order of Malta Rooms.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Denis James Commins, Clobanna. *Juliet Geoghegan, Toor, Killinan. *Eimear Joanne Noone, Ashgrove, Monadreen.

RECENTLY DECEASED: & Gerard Quigley, Highfield Court, Cabra Road. & Mary O'Donnell, née White, Riversdale House, Liskeeven, Littleton and First Editions, Liberty Square. & Chrissie Moore, née Craddock, England, formerly 4 Bohernanave. & Margaret Kelliher, Tubberadora. & Josie Tierney, Lincoln formerly Holycross.