PARISH CENTRE: 22229/22779; CATHEDRAL PRESBYTERY: 22505; BÓTHAR-NA-NAOMH PRESBYTERY: 22688.

WEBSITE: www.thurlesparish.ie email: parishcentre@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 evening @ 7.00p.m.

FEBRUARY CLERGY COLLECTION takes place this weekend, Feb. 3rd/4th. (Yellow envelope: 4-Feb-18). Annual Target **€154,140.00.** Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously in 2017.

CARE OF THE SICK: If you have a family member ill at home or in hospital and would like a priest to visit please contact the Parish Office at the above numbers.

JAMES KILBANE IN CONERT: HYMNS & SONGS OF FAITH - Celebrating the World Meeting of Families 2018: Sunday March 4^{th,} SS Joseph & Brigid's Church, Bóthar na Naomh. Doors open at 7.00 p.m. Concert at 8.00 p.m. Tickets now available in the Parish Office and Bookworm, Liberty Square.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED to help with flowers in Bóthar na Naomh Church. Names for rota can be left at the Parish Office 0504 22229.

INTERCESSION FOR OUR ARCHBISHOP & PRIESTS: Blessed Sacrament Chapel Sunday February 4th, 3.00 p.m.

THREE HOUR VIGIL: In honour of Our Lady of Lourdes, Pallottine Chapel Monday Feb. 12th 7.30p.m. – 10.30p.m. All are welcome.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CASHEL & EMLY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: June 16 – 21 2018. 5 Nights – Fully Inclusive Price €715. Booking forms available from Parish Office. Director: Rev. Jimmy Donnelly @ 061 380165. Application forms for Assisted/Sick Section from Rev. Joe Tynan @ 061 384213.

MASS TO PROTECT THE 8th AMMENDMENT: Pallottine College Chapel, Thursday February 8th at 8.30 p.m. Rosary at 7.30 p.m. Celebrant: Fr. Brendan Walsh. All are encouraged to come and pray at this crucial time for our country.

SCOIL ANGELA URSULINE PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY: Will take place on Wednesday February 7th (1.30p.m. – 4.00p.m.). Parents and new students welcome.

SCOIL ANGELA URSULINE PRIMARY SCHOOL: Cake Sale & Coffee Morning, Friday February 9th in school hall, 9.30 a.m. – 12 noon. All are welcome.

ANAM CARA BEREAVEMENT INFORMATION EVENING: Milford Care Centre, Castletroy, Limerick on Thursday Feb. 15th, 7.00 – 9.00 p.m. **RSVP on 01** 4045378 – 085 2888 888.

SPECIAL BINGO: Premier Hall Wednesday February 7th @ 8.30p.m. **ACTIVE RETIREMENT:** Wed. February 7th, 11.00 a.m., Order of Malta Rooms.

I.C.A. MEETING: Band Hall, Stradavoher, Wed. February $7^{\text{th}} @ 8.00 \text{ p.m.}$

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. Feb. 6th 4.00 p.m.:Parish Youth Choir.Tues. Feb. 6th 8.30p.m.:Parents' Baptism Preparation Meeting.Wed. Feb. 7th 7.30p.m.:Eco Spirituality Group Meeting.

THURLES PARISH DATES TO REMEMBER:

Pre-First Communion Mass (Family Mass): Cathedral, Saturday February 10th @ 7.30 p.m. Children from all our parish schools who are making their First Holy Communion this year are invited along with their parents and families to attend this Mass.

First Holy Communion Dates:

LEUGH N.S.: Bóthar na Naomh Church Sunday April 29th, 11.30 a.m. GAELSCOIL BHRÍDE: Bóthar na Naomh Church Sunday May 13th, 11.30 a.m. SCOIL AILBHE: Bóthar na Naomh Church Sunday May 20th, 11.30 a.m. SCOIL MHUIRE PRESENTATION: Cathedral Sunday May 20th, 10.30 a.m. SCOIL ANGELA URSULINE: Cathedral Sunday May 27th, 10.30 a.m. RAHEALTY N.S.: Cathedral Sunday May 27th, 12 noon.

Confirmation Day: Saturday April 28th, 11.00 a.m., Cathedral.

"COME AND SEE": February 23rd/24th 2018 – Pallottine College. Thinking about Priesthood? Meet others discerning priesthood and some recently ordained priests. Stay overnight, and on the Saturday morning there will be prayer, breakfast and discussion. There will be time for Adoration, with Mass at 11.30 a.m., followed by lunch at 12.30 p.m., final discussion and departure at 3.00 p.m. Advance booking is required. Event is free of charge. Contact your local priest or vocations director.

THURLES BUSINESSES URGED TO SIGN UP STAFF FOR DEMENTIA AWARENESS WORKSHOPS TO BETTER SUPPORT CUSTOMERS: The workshops, presented by Ursula Paine, CAMEO Care, and Jennifer Doyle, Community Hospital of the Assumption, are part of the ongoing **Dementia: Understand Together** initiative to create better understanding and awareness about the condition. The Dementia Awareness Workshops are free. Workshops for the retail sector: **Feb. 9th**, **16th and 23rd**, from 2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. in **The Source Arts Centre.** For more information, contact Ursula on 086 8381818.

SOCIAL DANCING: A six weeks course commences in the Premier Ballroom at 8.20 p.m. on this Tuesday, February 6th. Total Cost: €25. Over 18s.

CASHEL & EMLY LOURDES FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE SOCIAL TEA DANCE: Millennium Centre, Caherconlish Sat. February 3rd, from 9.30p.m. to 12.30a.m. Admission €10. Tickets available on the door or @ 086 8423172.

THURLES CÉILI SET CLUB: Céili Sunday February 4th Band Hall @ 8.00p.m. **MO CHARA CAKE SALE** outside The Cathedral this Sunday February 4th.

MOYCARKEY LITTLETON ACTIVE RETIREMENT COFFEE MORNING: Friday, Feb. 9th @ Muintir Hall, Littleton 10.00 a.m.- 12 noon in aid of Tipp Branch of Parkinsons. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

MIDLAND CAT CLUB FOR IRELAND & GCCFI REGIONAL: Championship Cat Show, Presentation Sports Complex on Sunday February 11th from 12.30 p.m.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION January 27th & 28th 2018: Cathedral: €2,483.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,985.00.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Mikey Seán Doran, Monakeeba.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Alice Harris, Childers Park. Funeral arriving at Bóthar na Naomh Church Saturday at 7.45 p.m. Funeral Mass Sunday 11.30 a.m. followed by burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Nancy Donnelly, née Davern, Iona Avenue formerly Ballycurrane. †Dinny Byrne, London formerly Moyne Road. †Bridget Ryan, née Caeser, Graigue, Moycarkey.