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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. Pallottine College Chapel: Sunday & Weekday Masses @ 10.00 a.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL:

WEEKDAYS: 11.30 A.M. – 7.30 P.M.; SUNDAYS: 1.00 P.M. – 7.00 P.M.

# **SUNDAY LENTEN EVENING PRAYER:** <u>No Lenten Evening Prayer this Sunday.</u> **TRÓCAIRE:** This weekend a representative from Trócaire will speak at all Masses

about the tremendous work of Trócaire. "How much longer will you set on a victim, all together, intent on murder, like a rampart already leaning over, a wall already damaged?" Psalms 62:3. Today we pray for the people of Eastern Ghouta in Syria. Hundreds of innocent civilians have been killed in the bombing of the past two weeks including many children. Trócaire's partners continue to work on the ground in horrendous conditions. We pray for those who can resolve this crisis to find the political will to do so. To find out more on Trócaire's work visit <a href="https://www.trocaire.org">www.trocaire.org</a>
DIOCESAN NEEDS APPEAL COLLECTION takes place this weekend. Your contribution to this Collection goes towards supporting administrative costs of the Diocesan Office, i.e. legal, financial and pastoral care of the Archdiocese and costs incurred by the Archdiocese at national level, e.g. liturgy, safeguarding, counselling, ecumenism, communications, education, emigrants/immigrants, research and development. We appreciate your generosity. Target: £38,535.00.

**JAMES KILBANE IN CONCERT**: Due to weather conditions the James Kilbane Concert scheduled for this Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> in Bóthar na Naomh Church is postponed until next <u>Friday evening March 9<sup>th</sup></u>. Some tickets still available at Parish Office and will be available on the door on the night. Donation Ticket is €20. (Special rate for families). Any queries please contact the Parish Office @ 0504 22229. **FAMILY MASS:** Cathedral next Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7.30 p.m.

**THE REALITY OF FAMILY LIFE TODAY:** Parish conversations on the family in preparation for World Meeting of Families, for the parishes of Thurles Deanery, will take place on **Tuesday March 6th at 7.30 p.m.**, **Lámh Chunta, Bóthar na Naomh**. Presented by a Team of Parishioners from Borrisoleigh Parish.

**WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018:** Visit <a href="www.worldmeeting2018.ie">www.worldmeeting2018.ie</a> for details of the WMOF Programme at the RDS, Dublin, August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>. When you book tickets for the RDS you automatically acquire tickets for the Festival of Families on Sat. Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> in Croke Park and the Final Mass on Sun. Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> in Phoenix Park.

**INTERCESSIONS FOR OUR ARCHBISHOP & PRIESTS:** Blessed Sacrament Chapel this Sunday at 3.00 p.m.

#### **UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:**

Tues. Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir;

Tues. Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>, 6.30 p.m.: Finance Committee Meeting;

Tues. Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>, 8.30 p.m.: Parents' Baptism Preparation Meeting.

#### UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: LÁMH CHÚNTA

Tues. Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 p.m.: World Meeting of Families Parish Talks. Wed. Mar. 7<sup>th</sup>, 8.00 p.m.: Recycling & Waste Management Workshops.

## CATHEDRAL ROOF PROJECT

- The roof was examined in 2001 prior to the Cathedral Refurbishment Project and found to be intact and in good working order.
- From 2012 onwards, it has deteriorated to the point where it now requires full replacement, to begin within 2 years.
- Conservation architects and quantity surveyors have drawn up specifications and detailed costs of a replacement roof which will last up to 80 years.
- The new roof will protect the integrity of our magnificent Cathedral and help secure its long-term sustainability.

For further information please check out the noticeboards in both churches.

### ST. PATRICK'S DAY 2018

**IRISH MASS:** Mass will be celebrated as Gaeilge in Bóthar na Naomh Church at 11.30 a.m. and in the Cathedral at 12 noon on St. Patrick's Day. The new Irish Missal will be used for the first time in the Parish on St. Patrick's Day.

MOYCARKEY BORRIS LITTLETON FOLK GROUP will sing at 7.30 p.m. Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup>. We are delighted to welcome to Thurles Parish this recently formed Folk Group made up of the youth from Moycarkey:Littleton:Borris Parish.

**WHAT WASTE?** Confused about which bin takes what waste? Workshop on Recycling & Waste Management hosted by Thurles Eco-Spirituality Group in **Lámh Chúnta**, **Bohernanave on Wednesday March** 7<sup>th</sup> **at 8.00 p.m**. The presentation is by David Corboy of 'Voice'. Admission free.

**RALLY FOR LIFE BUS:** Leaving the Pallottine College on Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup> after 10.00 a.m. Mass. €15 Return. Names to: Sheila 086/4081792. Margaret 086/8882971. Donal 31615 / 085/8117548. Because Life is Worth It!

**PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES/FRIENDS OF NANO:** Meeting Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm.

**HOW TO READ THE BIBLE:** Meet the Author, Fr. Brendan McConvery, C.S.S.R., on Wednesday March 7<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 p.m., Ballykisteen Hotel.

**FATIMA APOSTOLATE THREE HOUR VIGIL:** Pallottine Chapel, Monday March 19<sup>th</sup> (Feast of St. Joseph), commencing at 7.30 p.m.

**DEMENTIA AWARENESS WORKSHOPS:** Thurles Financial Services are urged to enrol staff for Dementia Awareness Workshops which take place on two consecutive Fridays -March 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. Workshops are free. Further information contact Ursula Paine @ 086 8381818.

**PHOENIX PRODUCTIONS:** Sincere gratitude and appreciation to the people of Thurles for their generosity to their Church Gate Collection last weekend.

**THURLES CEILI & SET CLUB:** Ceili Sunday March 4<sup>th</sup>, 8.00 p.m., Band Hall. **ACTIVE RETIREMENT:** Wed. March 7<sup>th</sup>, 11.00 a.m. Order of Malta Rooms.

**BINGO:** Bingo at Premier Hall Wednesday March 7<sup>th</sup> @ 8.30p.m.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION February 24th & 25th 2018:

Cathedral: €2,355.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2015.00.

**NEWLY BAPTISED:** \*Bridget Arianna Smith, Drombane.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Eileen Cahill, Cabra Road. †Alicia Mai (Ciss) Ryan, Abbey Road, formerly Garrycomer, Kilcommon. †Jim O'Kelly, Ikerrin Court. †Susan Butler, Friar Street. † Mary Dunne, née Ryan, Beakstown, Holycross.