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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. EUCHARISITIC ADORATION – BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL Weekdays: 11.30 a.m. – 7.30 p.m.; Sundays: 1.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

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DEVOTIONS: Cathedral this Sunday evening at 7.00 p.m.

VOCATIONS SUNDAY: World Day of Prayer will be observed this Sunday, April 22nd, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfil the Lord's instruction to, "*Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest*" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

PARISH DATES TO REMEMBER:

CONFIRMATION: <u>Next Saturday, April 28th @ 11.00a.m.</u> Children from C.B.S., Gaelscoil, Rahealty, Presentation and Ursuline Schools will receive their Confirmation in the Cathedral @ 11.00a.m. We ask you to kindly refrain from using cameras during the ceremony. Thank you for your co-operation. We wish every blessing on the Young People who will be confirmed and on their families.

CONFESSIONS IN PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION: Confessions for the Young People, their parents & families in preparation for Confirmation will take place on **Monday April 23rd**, **7.00 p.m. in the Cathedral**. Jim, Joe & Vincent will be available from 7.00 – 8.00 p.m. that evening for Confessions.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY APRIL 29th: Children from **Leugh N.S**. will receive their First Holy Communion @ 11.30 a.m. in Bothar na Naomh Church.

PLEASE NOTE: No Confessions in the Cathedral next Saturday, April 28th – Confirmation Day.

PRO-LIFE CAMPAIGNERS will have a speaker at all Masses next weekend, April 28th/29th, in both Churches. As children from Leugh N.S. are receiving their First Holy Communion at the 11.30 a.m. Mass Sunday April 29th in Bóthar na Naomh Church it is the wish of the Pro-Life Campaigners not to speak at this Mass.

PRO-LIFE MEETING: Thursday April 26th at 8pm in Hayes Hotel, please come along to this crucial meeting as there are only four weeks left to the' Repeal the 8th Amendment' Referendum May 25th date.

ROSARY AND THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY will be prayed for the protection of all life at the Sacred Heart Statue, Liberty Square at 12 noon, continuing every Friday until May 25th. Please come and join us.

ANEW (formerly Life Pregnancy Care) provides professional Crisis Pregnancy Counselling, Counselling after Abortion and Family Support Services at the Mall Thurles (across from GAA Museum) from Monday to Wednesday. Telephone 0504-24402/086-1806337, National Helpline 1800281281, <u>www.anew.ie</u>.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. April 24th, 4.00 p.m.:Parish Youth Choir.Wed. April 25th, 7.30 p.m.:Eco-Spirituality Group Meeting.Thurs. April 26th, 7.30 p.m.:Listening Process Planning Group.

POLISH MASS: Msza Sw. Polska odbedzie sie 22 kwietnia o godz. 13-tej w kaplicy Presentation Convent. Spowiedz Św. od godziny 12:30. Polish Mass this Sunday April 22nd at 1 p.m. in Presentation Chapel Convent. Confession from 12:30 p.m.

PHIL COULTER · CATHEDRAL ECHOES · An evening with the internationally renowned composer and musician Phil Coulter will take place in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Thurles on Friday September 28th. Tickets will be on sale shortly. This event will mark the beginning of our fundraising for the Cathedral re-roofing project.

DIOCESAN FAMILY FUN DAY: In preparation for the World Meeting of Families a family fun day will take place at Tipperary Racecourse next Sunday 29th April from 1.00p.m. – 4.30p.m. Plenty of activities for families and young people from water zorbing to an obstacle course, a prayer liturgy, an exhibition of what is happening in our diocese, and a special walk for teenagers. A real family day out! Visit <u>www.cashel-emly.ie-pastoralresources</u> for more details.

CASHEL AND EMLY LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 16-21ST JUNE: Would you be interested in volunteering as a senior helper with the pilgrimage. If you are please contact Fr Jimmy Donnelly on 061 380165 for more information.

ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY: Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo, Saturday June 2nd. Main Celebrant : Most Rev. Bishop Kevin Doran Homilist : Fr John Walsh O.P.

THURLES COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES: 46th Annual General Meeting on Thursday 26th April 2018 in the Day Care Centre, St. Mary's Health Centre. Mass will be celebrated at 7.15 p.m. followed by the meeting at 8.00 p.m.

THURLES LIONS CLUB: Annual Vintage and Classic Car Show St. Patrick's College, Sunday May 13th. Wanted: Donations of books for Book Stall – please contact Gary @ 086 8386235 or John @ 087 2408035.

ALZHEIMER'S CAFE: Liberty Square (formerly First Editions) April 27th and every last Friday of the month from 12 noon - 1.30 p.m. Call for a cup of tea and a chat. Advice and support for people with dementia and their families. Guest Speaker: Kathy Ryan ASOI. All welcome.

MAKE A WISH FUNDRAISER DANCE: Resource Centre, Cappawhite on Saturday May 5th. Music by Peter Bourke. Doors open at 9.00 p.m. Adm.: €10. *Together we can make wishes come true for brave children.*

TIPPERARY BRANCH OF M.S. SOCIETY: Thanks to all who supported recent Church Gate Collection. Amount received; €1,550.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Richard (Richie) Maher, 'Ashgrove', Leugh.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION APRIL 14th & 15th 2018: Cathedral: €2,584.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,095.00.

"It is beautiful – and a great grace – to be completely and forever consecrated to God and the service of our brothers and sisters." Pope Francis.