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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.

DEVOTIONS: We gather together at Our Lady's Altar in the Cathedral this Sunday evening at 7.00 p.m.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY INTO HEAVEN WEDNESAY AUGUST 15TH: HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS TIMES:

Cathedral: Tuesday: 7.30 p.m. Wednesday: 8.00 a.m., 11.00 a.m. & 7.30p.m. Bóthar na Naomh Church: Tuesday: 6.30 p.m.; Wednesday: 10.00 a.m. ROSARY will be recited at Our Lady's Well Shrine at 12 noon.

AUGUST CLERGY COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this collection. Target this year €154,140.00. Amount received: €11,790.00. Amount collected to date € 90,663.83.

PHIL COULTER - CATHEDRAL ECHOES -: *Tickets available in the Parish Centre, Cathedral Street and Bookworm, Liberty Square.* Enjoy an evening with the internationally renowned composer and musician Phil Coulter in the **Cathedral of the Assumption on Friday September 28th.** This event will mark the beginning of our fundraising for the Cathedral re-roofing project. **Ticket Donation: €35.00.**

TEMPLETUOHY CEMETERY: Wednesday August 15th, 7.30 p.m. In the event of bad weather Mass will be celebrated in the Church of the Sacred Heart.

THE FUTURE OF THE IRISH PARISH – LESSONS FROM AROUND THE WORLD: Pastoral Conference on 'The Future of the Irish Parish' ('*The Parish is not an out-dated institution*', Pope Francis) will take place in MIC St. Patrick's Campus on Tues. August 28th & Wed. August 29th. Contact 0504 20590 for information & booking or visit: www.irishinstituteforpastoralstudies.com

LOUGH DERG ONE DAY RETREAT: Tues. Sept. 4th & Wed. Sept. 5th. Booking: Fr Murphy 0863868877 or Bridget O'Dea 0866792754.

NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE: Sept. 9th, Knock Shrine, 2.30 p.m. All welcome to honour & thank Grandparents alive & dead for all they have done for us down through the ages. Chief Celebrant Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Apostolic Nuncio - Combined Choirs of Knock Parish - The Tuttle Family - Dana sings 'Our Lady of Knock'.

LOST PROPERTY: Variety of items left in the Cathedral over the last few months are available for collection in the Sacristy until Friday August 24th.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE: Mon. August 13th, 7.30 p.m..: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION August 4th & 5th 2018: Cathedral: €2,285.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,175.00.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES PASTORAL CONGRESS

DIOCESAN PREPARATIONS FOR WMOF: You are invited to the Cathedral of the Assumption on **Tuesday, 21st August @ 7.30 p.m.** for a Liturgy of Evening Prayer in preparation for the WMOF Gathering and the visit of Pope Francis. Our Liturgy of prayer, song, dance and reflection for families in accord with the theme of 'the joy of love in families is also the joy of the Church' will involve the Diocesan Choir, families and parishes throughout the diocese.

"TOGETHER WE PRAY": World Meeting of Families Prayer Booklet on sale at the Parish Centre. Cost: \mathfrak{C}_3 each or two for \mathfrak{C}_5 .

WMOF FINAL COLLECTION: Hosting this event requires an enormous amount of planning and funding. Thurles Parish Collection, as part of the National Collection, will be taken up as a **Second Collection at all Masses next weekend**, **August 18th/19th**. **FESTIVAL OF FAMILIES:** Croke Park Sat. Aug.25th. One of the most significant and beautiful events within every World Meeting of Families is the Festival of Families. This event is a celebration of family life around the world that will feature musical and dance performances, as well as five selected families from around the world giving witness to their family's faith. **Parishioners who have submitted their names for this event will receive their tickets from the Parish Centre in the next two weeks**.

FINAL MASS – SUNDAY AUGUST 26th – PHOENIX PARK – 3.00 p.m.:

We ask all travelling to gather at the Source Art Centre Car Park at **8.45 a.m**. so that both coaches will be ready to leave at **9.00 a.m**. (please note change of time to 9.00 a.m.) Those travelling need to bring enough food and drink for the day. The bus will stop for a short break at Junction 14 on the way to and from the Phoenix Park. Any queries please contact the Parish Office.

RELICS OF SAINTS LOUIS & SAINT ZÉLIE MARTIN & THEIR DAUGHTER THÉRÉSE OF LISIEUX: We are very blessed to have relics of the Martin Family of Saints associated with the Carmelites in Ireland for the World Meeting of Families. The Relics will be in the Cathedral **on Monday September 3rd from 11.00 a.m. (or later) until 5.00 p.m. sharp.** The Relics will be in the Phoenix Park for the Papal Mass.

SOCIAL DANCE CLASSES: Commence Tuesday Sept. 4th, 8.20 p.m. sharp – 10.00 p.m., Premier Ballroom. €25 for six weeks course. Over 18's. Foxtrot, Quickstep, Waltz, Novelty. Contact 087 9732837.

AN EVENING OF MUSIC AND SONG: with the Horse and Jockey Singers, Michael Molumby, dancer Conor Hartnett, Eoin Ryan of Seskin Lane, and many more in a free concert in The Source Theatre, Thursday August 23rd, 7.45 p.m. All welcome.

THURLES 1850: the amazing 3D model of the town crafted by the late Jim Condon is on display in The Source from August 10th - August 31st, with the official launch by Noel Dundon, Tipperary Star on Thursday 23rd at 6.45 p.m. See Thurles of 170 years ago!

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Blake Ellen O'Shaughnessy, Ard Mhuire. *Mikey William McCarthy, Gortataggart. *Fionn Michael Quinlan, Australia.

RECENTLY DECEASED: [‡]Catherine Coffey, Rosemount. [‡]Very Rev. Fr. Ailbe O'Bric, P.P. Clerihan, formerly Killenaule.

May They All Rest in Peace.