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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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL:

Weekdays: 11.30 a.m. – 7.30 p.m.; Sundays: 1.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

DEVOTIONS: Please note there will be **NO DEVOTIONS** in the Cathedral this **Sunday and next Sunday September 15th** due to Holycross Novena.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR HIS HOLINESS, POPE FRANCIS (PETER'S PENCE): Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to this collection. Amount received: **€3,640.00**. Target for Thurles **€3,853.50**. As always, we appreciate your generosity.

THE SEASON OF CREATION: Sept 1st, the Feast of Creation, to October 4th, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. Prayer cards available at the back of both Churches.

VANDALISM OF THE ARCHBISHOP LEAHY MONUMENT: Investigations continue into the vandalism of the Archbishop Leahy Statue in the Cathedral yard, we have temporarily covered the monument until such time as we are able to restore it to its former glory. We continue to appeal for any relevant information on the damage caused. If you can help, please contact Thurles Garda Station @ 0504 25100.

THURLES PARISH YOUTH CHOIR: Are you in 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th Class? Would you like to sing at mass as a member of a choir? Come along to Thurles Parish Centre, **Tuesday September 17th** and join Thurles Parish Youth Choir. Rehearsals are from **4.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.** All singers welcome.!

THURLES PARISH FOLK GROUP: Resumes **Sunday Sept. 15th** and looking for new members. If you are over 14 and enjoy singing please contact the Parish Office or come along to Rehearsals at 7.00 p.m. every Saturday, Parish Centre. We are also looking for extra musicians to help out at the 10.30 a.m. Mass in the Cathedral.

POLISH MASS: Next Sunday Sept. 15th, at 11 a.m. in Presentation Convent Chapel. Confession available before and after Mass.

LEGION OF MARY BUS TO KNOCK: Sunday September 29th from Cathedral @8.00a.m. sharp. Contact Noreen 21505/087 6663243 or Jim 21260/ 085 8278014.

THE SOLEMN NOVENA IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP: Holycross Abbey – **Sunday September 8th – Monday September 16th.**

FAMILY OF MARY RETREAT: Deebert House Hotel, Killmallock, Sept. 20th – 22nd. Led by Fr. Maximilian, Fr. Patrick Cahill & Fr. Niall O'Riordan and Sisters from the Family of Mary, Rome. Info: Claire @ 0851532258 or Nodlaig @ 087 6527033.

AN EVENING WITH 'THE PRIESTS':

Come and enjoy an evening of Music and Song with the Musical Trio from Northern Ireland in the **Cathedral of the Assumption on Friday September 27th**. With three weeks to go ticket sales are going very well at the **Parish Centre, Cathedral Street, (0504 22229)** and **Bookworm, Liberty Square, (0504 22257)**. This is one of our fund-raising events for the reroofing of the Cathedral. Tickets: €35.00. Doors open at 7.00 p.m. Concert starts at 8.00 p.m.

NEW BOILER APPEAL:

Our Cathedral is presently heated using an oil-fired boiler connected to a radiator system. The present boiler has developed a terminal fault and so we are replacing it with a new, more efficient oil boiler. Before deciding to go ahead with this replacement, we commenced investigations into alternative heating systems with a view toward our responsibilities towards reducing CO2 emissions. We believe that we can make use of Air Source Heat Pump (ASHP) technology to greatly reduce our use of oil and in preparation for this, when we replace the oil boiler, we will make provision for connection of a heat pump system to the distribution header. For such a large building, fitted as it is with a heating system designed to operate at 70C+, it may not be feasible for an ASHP system to cater for 100% of our heating needs. From time to time the higher temperature oil boiler may be needed in very cold weather and so it was deemed appropriate to proceed with the replacement of the oil boiler. Further work is required to finalise a system design and to arrange for an adequate electrical supply and location for the AHSP system. In addition to these heating system considerations, when we replace the roof of the cathedral, we plan to insulate it to a very high standard which will reduce the amount of heat energy required to keep the building comfortable for its occupants and to maintain the building fabric. **The new boiler and its installation will cost approximately €55,000 and the work has commenced. As this is an unforeseen but necessary expense, we invite anyone who would like to donate towards this cost to please do so through the Parish Centre or by using one of the envelopes available on the assigned donation boxes in both churches. €15,795.00 has been received to date – thanks to all for your huge generosity.**

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY THURLES MEMORY CAFÉ: Wednesday Sept. 11th, 11.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Topic: Brain Health with tips on how to help maintain a healthy brain, and where people can get more information and support with this.

ST. BRIGID'S & ST. JOSEPH'S RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL FUN DAY: Sunday Sept. 15th from 2.00 – 5.00 p.m. All welcome to this fun filled day!

TIPPERARY ETB – FREE ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES: If interested in returning to education come along to Colaiste Eile on Wednesday Sept. 11th from 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon or contact Mary Jo/Nicola on 067-31845.

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom Sunday Sept. 8th, 8.30 p.m. – 11.30 p.m. Adm.: €9.00. Music by "Michael Cahill". **SOCIAL DANCING LESSONS:** Continue Tues. Sept. 10th 8.20 p.m. Foxtrot, Waltz, Quickstep & Novelty. Over 18's.

FLOWER CLUB: Next Meeting Tuesday Sept. 10th, 7.30 p.m., Order of Malta Hall. Lesson and Flower Demonstration. New Members welcome.

BINGO: Premier Hall Wednesday September 11th @ 8.30 p.m.

DOWN SYNDROME TIPPERARY BRANCH THANKS: To all who volunteered and support the Annual Collection on August 9th last. €5,100.00 was raised.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Claire Margaret Quirke, Skehane, Two-Mile-Borris.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Ann McGrath, née Kelly, Killinan. †Ronan Hever, Maynooth, Co. Kildare formerly Boyle, Co. Roscommon. †William Gleeson, Main Street, Urlingford, Co. Kilkenny formerly Blueball, Co. Offaly. †Molly Flanagan, Galbertstown, Holycross. †Paddy Ryan (Philips), Gortnagoona, Templederry. †Louise Murphy, Castleknock, Co. Dublin. †Alice Minogue, née Hayde, New York formerly Seskin.

May They All Rest in Peace.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION August 31st & Sept. 1st 2019:

Cathedral: €2,880.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,045.00.