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WEBSITE: www.thurlesparish.ie email: parishcentre@thurlesparish.ie WEKEND 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.

DEVOTIONS: No Devotions in the Cathedral this Sunday Jan. 5th.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY: HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION- Monday January 6th: Usual daily Masses in both Churches with Evening Mass in the **Cathedral at 7.30 p.m.** Rotary Club Memorial Tree Ribbons will be blessed during this Mass.

EVENING PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Sunday January 19th at 7.00 p.m. No Devotions in the Cathedral Sunday Jan. 19th.

PARISH CRIBS: We invite you to visit our cribs in Bóthar na Naomh and the Cathedral during the Christmas season.

HOLY FAMILY CONFRATERNITY MASS: Tuesday January 7th, 7.30 p.m. **CONFESSIONS AFTER CHRISTMAS:** Confessions recommence in the Cathedral on Saturday January 11th.

FAMILY MASS: Cathedral next Saturday, January 11th at 7.30 p.m.

NEW BOILER APPEAL: The new boiler and its installation are costing approximately **€55,000.** Through your generosity **€420.00** was received during this past week bringing the total collected to date to **€37,454.10**. *Mile Buíochas!*

PATRICK FEENEY IN CONCERT: Sunday March 8th 2020 in SS Joseph & Brigid Church, Bóthar na Naomh as part of his Gospel Choir Tour. Tickets now available in the Parish Office, Cathedral Street & Bookworm, Liberty Square. Ticket Donation: €25. Proceeds to the Cathedral Reroofing Project.

2020 PARISH DATES TO REMEMBER:

CONFIRMATION DAY: Saturday March 28th, Cathedral.

FIRST COMMUNION DAYS:

Sunday May 10th: Scoil Angela Ursuline Primary School – Cathedral;

Scoil Ailbhe C.B.S. Primary School – Bóthar na Naomh Church.

Sunday May 17th: Scoil Mhuire Presentation Primary School – Cathedral;

Gaelscoil Bhríde – Bóthar na Naomh Church.

Sunday May 24th: Rahealty N.S. - Cathedral;

Leugh N.S. – Bóthar na Naomh Church.

NEW MASS SCHEDULE: The Parish Pastoral Council are currently working on the suggestion forms you submitted with a view to a new Mass Schedule in the Parish. We appreciate your great response and your many suggestions. We will keep you updated.

PALLOTTINE MISSIONS CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: Will take place this weekend, January $4^{th}/5^{th}$. Please support.

GOLDEN JUBILEE - ARCHDIOCESE OF CASHEL & EMLY LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: June 13th – 18th 2020. Application Forms available in the Parish Centre soon.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. Jan. 7th, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir;

Tues. Jan. 7th, 8.30 p.m.: Parents Baptism Preparation Meeting.

SPECIAL BINGO: Premier Hall Wed. Jan. 8th @ 8.30 p.m. €3000.00 prize money! **MEMORY CAFE**: *Thursday January 9th* at 11.00 a.m. at Bookworm. (Please note the Memory Cafe will take place on the 2nd Thursday of the month). Our topic will be on the more advanced stages of this condition and the management of this stage. Again, we will have a little music and song to end on a happy note.

SUIR HAVEN: Monthly Bereavement Meeting on Tuesday, January 7th at 11 a.m. These meetings offer support for people who are bereaved and finding it difficult to cope with the loss of a loved one and offer empathy, compassion, and friendship.

DURLAS ÓG: Progressive 25 Card Game in the Dome (please note change of venue) Wednesday January 8th @ 8.30 p.m. €1,000.00 Prize Money. Tea and Raffle on the night. Thanks for your support.

THURLES CEILI & SET CLUB: Ceili Sunday January 5th, 8.00 p.m., Band Hall. **ACCORD COUNSELLING SERVICE:** Accord offers a professional and confidential service facilitating

couples and individuals to explore, reflect upon and resolve difficulties in their marriage relationship. Accord Counsellors are trained to the highest professional standards. Accord training is accredited by the National Association of Pastoral Counsellor & Psychotherapists. To arrange an appointment contact 0504 22279.

OPEN DAY MARY IMMACULATE COLLEGE: Saturday, Jan. 11th, 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. for prospective students interested in undergraduate/postgraduate degrees.

CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE: Second Floor, Centra, Mall House, Slievenamon Road. Independent & Confidential Information & Advice on Rights & Entitlements. Contact 0761 076510.

MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2020: 7 Night Stay and Airport Shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €266 per person sharing. Book any flight - any time and we provide guaranteed airport shuttle service. Call us for further info and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 01 4434510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Dec. 28th & 29th 2019: Cathedral: €2,960.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,330.00.

God Sent Us a Saviour

If our greatest need had been information,
God would have sent us an educator.
If our greatest need had been technology,
God would have sent us a scientist.
If our greatest need had been money,
God would have sent us an economist.
If our greatest need had been pleasure,
God would have sent us an entertainer.
But our greatest need was forgiveness,
So God sent us a Saviour.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Christy Perkins, Newtown, Drombane. †Thomas Ryan (Danny), Gortkelly, Upperchurch. †Rev. Fr. Jim Hannon, Ballybunion, Co. Kerry & Newmarket, Cork. †Noreen Dolan, née Barrett, Ballaghadereen, Co. Roscommon.

May They All Rest in Peace.