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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: We gather at Our Lady's Altar, Cathedral this Sunday at 7.00 p.m.
SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD: January 26th 2020 - In paragraph 3 of 'Aperuit illis', Pope Francis requests that "the various communities will find their own ways to mark this Sunday with a certain solemnity". **An enthronement of the Word of God using the St. John's Bible (courtesy of Mary Immaculate College, St. Patrick's Campus, Thurles) will take place at the 10.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 26th.** Copies of Pope Francis 'Aperuit Illis' Apostolic Letter available at the back of both churches this weekend.

FEAST OF CANDLEMAS: Sunday February 2nd: Candles will be blessed during each Mass. As we now use a variety of candles in both churches you may give a donation towards the purchase of candles.

ST. BLAISE: Monday, February 3rd: Blessing of throats after all Masses in the Cathedral and Bóthar na Naomh. Blessing of Throats in the Pallottine College Chapel from 9.00 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.

CATHEDRAL CHOIR GALA CONCERT: Sincere thanks to the Cathedral Choir for their contribution of €4,015.00 towards the Cathedral Reroofing Project following the memorable Gala Concert evening December 1st last – very much appreciated.

NEW BOILER APPEAL: The new boiler and its installation are costing approximately €55,000. Through your generosity €800.00 was received during this past week bringing the total collected to date to €39,839.10. **Míle Buíochas!**

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

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

CATHEDRAL FLOWER ARRANGERS: Volunteers needed to help with arranging flowers in the Cathedral. If you have a little spare time and would like to become involved, please contact the Parish Office.

CELEBRATE ST. BRIGID'S DAY: Make your own St. Brigid's Cross Workshop with Helen Carey on Friday, Jan. 31st, 10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. in Friends of Nano Office, Westgate. Free event. Contact Anne on 086 7514364.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR: Pallottine Chapel, Wednesday's at 7.30 p.m., Feb. 5th - April 1st.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. Jan. 28th, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

FIRST COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MASS: Next Saturday, February 1st, Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. We invite all First Holy Communion Children and their families to this Mass.

CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MASS: Saturday February 8th: We invite all young people for Confirmation and their families to the 7.30 p.m. Family Mass on Saturday February 8th at 7.30 p.m. in the Cathedral.

LEUGH N.S. AND ELM TREE PRESCHOOL: Open Evening Tuesday 28th Jan. at 7.30 p.m. Tel 0504 23111 or leughns@hotmail.com for further information.

SCOIL AILBHE OPEN EVENING: Thursday, January 30th at 7.00 p.m. All prospective students and their parents are very welcome. Please contact the school office at (0504) 21448 or reception@scoilailbhe.ie for further information.

PRESENTATION PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY: Pupils and parents are invited to our Open & Enrolment Day on Sunday, 2nd February from 12.30 – 2.30 p.m. for a tour of our school. Please see our website or contact the school office on 0504 22331 for further information.

OPEN DAY: Scoil Mochaomhóg Naofa, Two Mile Borris Thursday February 6th 1.00pm - 2.30pm. Now enrolling for all classes. 5 minutes from Thurles town. Local childminders available on request. Enquiries 0504-44466.

MID TIPPERARY WAR OF INDEPENDENCE COMMEMORATION - Sunday January 26th at 1.30 p.m. in St Mary's Graveyard, Thurles, to remember all those from Mid Tipperary who took part in the War of Independence. All are welcome.

BINGO: Premier Hall Wed. Jan. 29th @ 8.30 p.m. Great nights entertainment!

CEILI & SET CLUB: Ceili Sun. Feb. 2nd, 8.00 p.m., Band Hall. Ceol le Taylor Cross.

THE MONKS CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGERS AND COLLECTORS IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE MONKS GOLF SOCIETY: Thanks to all who contributed so generously to our bucket collections before Christmas. Thanks to Star Systems for the amplification which was of great benefit to us. The local charities who benefited were Suir Haven Cancer Support Group, St. Vincent de Paul, Thurles Meals on Wheels, Mental Health Group, Anusha, Thurles Care Group, Community Hospital of the Assumption, Thurles Day Care Centre and Tipperary Talking Newspapers.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION - CUAN MHUIRE (*Treating alcohol, drug and gambling addictions*): Thanks to all who helped organise and take up the collection and to everyone who contributed so generously to this collection.

MEET THE DÁIL CANDIDATES: Come along to the Anner Hotel on Tuesday February 4th at 8.00 p.m. for your opportunity to question the Dáil candidates on issues you feel they should be addressing. Please come along to hear from the candidates before casting your vote.

LOST PROPERTY: Variety of items left in the Cathedral over the last few months are available for collection in the Sacristy until Friday February 7th.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Jan. 18th & 19th 2020:

Cathedral: €2,415.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,362.00.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Nellie Prout, née Hayden, Garryclough, Gortnahoe. †Edward (Ned) Slattery, Blessington, Co. Wicklow, formerly Raheen, Holycross. †Winifred Connaire, Ballinasloe. †Paddy Brett, Callan, Co. Kilkenny, formerly Mitchel Street.

May They All Rest in Peace.