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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2021 Monday January 18th – Monday January 25th 2021. Jesus Christ,

You seek us, you wish to offer us your friendship and lead us to a life that is ever more complete. Grant us the confidence to answer your call so that we may be transformed and become witnesses of your tenderness for the world. God our Father, You reveal to us your love through Christ and through our brothers and sisters. Open our hearts so that we can welcome each other with our differences and live in forgiveness. May all of us together be a reflection of the living Christ.

Lord Jesus,

Your entire life was prayer, perfect harmony with the Father. Through your Spirit, teach us to pray according to your will of love. May the faithful of the whole world unite in petition and thanks, and may your kingdom of love come. Amen.

COVID-19 LEVEL 5 RESTRICTIONS:

- Religious services will be online only Cathedral daily (Monday Sunday) in the Cathedral at 11.00 a.m. & 7.00 p.m. and Bóthar na Naomh Church every Sunday at 9.00 a.m. Churches will remain open for private prayer.
- Confessions will not take place until further notice.
- Weddings: Up to 6 guests are permitted to attend a wedding ceremony.
- Funerals: Up to 10 mourners can attend the Funeral Mass.
- Baptisms: Postponed until further notice.
- Travel: We must stay within a radius of 5km unless we need to leave for essential purposes which include:
 - 1. To attend a wedding or a funeral;
 - 2. To visit a grave.
- <u>Wearing of face coverings is expected when visiting the Cathedral or</u> <u>Bóthar na Naomh Church</u>. (It is understood that for medical reasons some people may not be able to comply with this request.)

FOR OUR STREAMING SERVICE ON-LINE VISIT: <u>www.thurlesparish.ie</u> All Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Masses can also be heard via local radio. **PARISH NEWSLETTER:** May be accessed on the parish website under the Heading 'Newsletter' on the home page.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed each day on the main altar in the Cathedral, **Monday – Sunday incl., after 11.00 a.m. Mass until 5.00 p.m.**

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - €2,075.00 received. Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral and Bóthar na Naomh Church.

VISITING OF THE SICK & FIRST FRIDAY CALLS: First Friday house visits and other pastoral house visits have ceased except in the case of emergency.

CATHEDRAL FLOWERS ARRANGERS: Volunteers needed to assist with arranging the flowers in the Cathedral. If you have a little spare time and would like to become involved please contact Bertranda @ 0504 23394 or 087 9384408.

SCOIL ANGELA: Have launched a fundraiser to build an Outdoor Classroom in honour of the late Sr. Xavier. We have created a photo archive of school life dating back to 1956. Each donation received will be responded to with access to the archive. Please visit our GoFundMe page. <u>gf.me/u/zcugis</u>. Donations will also be gratefully received in the school in January.

REFLECTION.....THE SEVEN STEPS OF MORNING

Our first step is that of **gratitude**.... for the gift of another fresh day of life. Our second step is that of **love**.... for the Holy One and for all our dear ones. Our third step is that of **hope**.... for the possibility of growth in each moment. Our fourth step is that of **compassion**.... for all of creation and our deep connection. Our fifth step is that of **generosity**.... for all that shall be asked of me this day. Our sixth step is that of **laughter**.... for the joys that will refresh my heart. Our seventh step is that of **patience**....for the difficult challenges that may arise. *Giver of Life, awaken our entire being so that we can enter this day with the eagerness of one who sees beauty and truth strewn through every part of life. Deepen our bond with you and strengthen our peace. Amen.*

(Joyce Rupp)

RECENTLY DECEASED: DGerard O'Brien, 'Ambleside', Clongour. Funeral Mass this Sunday, Cathedral at 11.00 a.m. followed by burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. DAnn Griffin, Dunmore East, formerly Slievenamon Road. Deggy Ryan, Cloneyharp, Ballycahill. DGeorge Cleary, Turraheen, Rossmore & Moyne. DGerard McGrath, Borrisoleigh. Catherine (Kitty) Doyle, née Molloy, Mockler's Hill, Fethard. Develyn Hennessy, née Mockler, Derrymore, Roscrea. DJames (Jim) Ryan, Castleisland, Co. Kerry, formerly Galbertstown, Holycross. DMaureen Cody, Dublin, formerly Glengoole. Andy Connolly, Dublin, formerly Cormackstown. Tony Maher, England, formerly 27 Innisfallen Avenue. Carol McCabe, Luton. Sr. Margaret Duggan, Presentation Sister, Zimbabwe, Waterford, & Thurles.

May They Rest in Peace