

PARISH CENTRE: 22229/22779; CATHEDRAL PRESBYTERY: 22505;

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH PRESBYTERY: 22688.

PARISH CENTRE MOBILE NUMBER: 085 8819575

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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 25 mourners can attend the Funeral Mass from Monday April 26th 2021. People not attending the Funeral Mass are asked to avoid congregating immediately outside the church building or around the hearse. For the sake of the great majority trying to keep to the public health guidelines, we ask people, difficult as it is, not to approach the bereaved in the church grounds or cemetery to sympathize.
- Baptisms will take place at the following times: Cathedral Saturdays @ 6.00 p.m.; Sundays after 11.00 a.m. Mass. Bóthar na Naomh Church Sundays after 9.00 a.m. Mass. Maximum of 6 people (incl. parents) allowed. Contact Parish Office for booking and further details.
- Travel: We must stay within our own county or within a radius of 20 km unless we need to leave for essential purposes which include: To attend a wedding or a funeral; to visit a grave.
- Wearing of face coverings is compulsory when visiting the Cathedral or Bóthar na Naomh Church. (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: www.thurlesparish.ie

All Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Masses can also be heard via local radio. **We acknowledge that there have been difficulties with our streaming service, while this is frustrating for everyone please be patient with us while these technical issues are currently being resolved.**

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - €2,000. 00 received. **Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral and Bóthar na Naomh Church.**

TRÓCAIRE: A big thanks to all our parishioners who supported the Trócaire campaign this year. Thurles Parish has collected €13,235.00 to date. **Míle Buíochas!**

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

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS: Monday – Friday, 11.30 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.

Closed for lunch 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.

PARISH NEWSLETTER: May be accessed on the parish website under the Heading 'Newsletter' on the home page.

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

HOLY WATER: If you need Holy Water please bring your container, filled with water to the Parish Centre for blessing.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Isabelle Mary Kate Molloy, Marlstone Manor.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Gillian Lawlor Ryan, Ashill, Horse & Jockey. †Noel Maher, Kennedy Park. †Pat O'Donnell, Ardeen Nursing Home, formerly 'St. Paul's', Monadreen. †John Freeman, Bohernanave. †Katie Manton, Bohereengloss, Cashel. †Eileen O'Connell, née Kerrigan, Mallow. †Martin Bourke, Dooradoyle, Limerick, formerly Farneigh, Newport. †John Purcell, Peterborough, Toronto, formerly Borroway. †Rose Evans, Romford, Essex.

May They Rest in Peace

SUNDAY, APRIL 25TH - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, especially for our diocese. If you are considering such a vocation, speak to **Vocations Director Fr Joe Walsh @ 086 7714888** or your local Priest or email the National Vocations Office: info@vocations.ie

“My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going.

I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end.

Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you.

And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore will I trust you always, though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear, for you are ever with me,

and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.”

Thomas Merton