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COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS UPDATE:

WEEKEND MASSES: CATHEDRAL: SATURDAY: VIGIL MASS: 7.00 P.M.

SUNDAY: 9.00 A.M., 11.00 A.M. & 7.00 p.m.

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH: SUNDAY 10.00 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES: CATHEDRAL: MONDAY – SATURDAY: 11.00 A.M.

EVENING MASS: MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY: 7.00 P.M.

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH EVENING MASS: TUESDAY & THURSDAY: 7.00 P.M. Pallottine College Chapel is open for Mass at 10.00 a.m. each day. The capacity for Pallottine College Chapel is 50 people.

Following the latest Government Covid Guidelines Churches are now allowed half of their maximum seating capacity for Religious Ceremonies. We ask you to please sit in alternate pews (every second pew) in the Cathedral and Bóthar na Naomh Church.

- Funerals: Funeral Masses now take place in both the Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Church. 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 and grounds or cemetery to sympathize.
- Baptisms: Baptisms may be booked through the Parish Centre. 20 people may attend
 each Baptism.
- **Confessions** will not take place until further notice.
- 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 regulation.)

FOR OUR STREAMING SERVICE ON-LINE VISIT: www.thurlesparish.ie All

Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Masses can also be heard via local radio.

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

OCTOBER CLERGY COLLECTION: Will take place next weekend, **3rd October 2021**. The money collected in each parish goes to a central diocesan fund from which all the priests are paid. Jim, Joe & Vincent say 'thank you' for your continued support on behalf of the Priests of the Archdiocese. We greatly appreciate your generosity – however we understand if you are unable to contribute during these difficult times.

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - €3,234.00 received. **Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Church.**

PARISH VOLUNTEERS: Thank you to everyone who is enriching the life of the parish through your parish duties. It has not been easy, particularly during these most trying times. We hope to see a return to more normal activities and look forward to full participation in Parish life. Any Volunteers who have not completed Garda Vetting in the last 3 years, are now asked to contact the Parish Office, to get started on this important task. Please note only Parish Volunteers working directly with children (under 18s) or vulnerable adults need to participate in the vetting process. Thank you.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

SATURDAY OCTOBER 2nd: 10.00 a.m. - Gaelscoil Bhríde; 12.00 p.m. - Leugh N.S.; 2.00 p.m. - Scoil Angela.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 9th: 10.00 a.m. – Scoil Ailbhe C.B.S. Primary; 12 noon – Presentation Primary; 2.00 p.m. – Rahealty N.S.

PLEASE NOTE: NO 11.00AM MASS or EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THESE DATES IN THE CATHEDRAL DUE TO THE COMMUNION CERMONIES.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the Young People, who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Cathedral over the last two weeks and to their parents & teachers. A big 'Thank You' to all who helped make these ceremonies so meaningful and special – Teachers, Stewards, Musicians and Singers, Sacristans – Meg & Jim, Cathedral Flower Group, Parish Office Staff and all who prepared the Cathedral Grounds.

HAIL HOLY QUEEN CONFERENCE: Will be on Radio Maria Ireland @ 2.00 p.m., Sat., Oct. 9th. Guest speakers include Bishop John Keenan, Dr Patrick Kenny, Fr. Gerry McCloskey, and Dr Blythe Kaufman. On the following day (Sunday Oct 10th), the Coastal Rosary will take place at 2.30pm. Join people from around Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith at our grottos, churches, at the coasts and other suitable places. Simply sign up a Rosary location at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie or text your location to 087 278 6552.

TANZANIA FACE MASK APPEAL: The Collection of Face Masks to protect against Covid 19 in Tanzania will continue until **Thursday**, **September 30th**. If you wish to donate please do so in the coming week. Please note that only **new face masks in sealed packaging will be accepted**. Sincere thanks to all who supported this project.

TEAM HOPE INFORMATION EVENING: Rahealty Community Hall, Tuesday Sept. 28th, 7.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. to learn more the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. For more information on Team Hope please check out our new website: www.teamhope.ie/csa

CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION "RAISE THE ROOF" LOTTO INITIATIVE Weekly Lotto Draw Results: Winning Numbers: 1; 3; 9; 12. The Jackpot was not won this week.

Cash Prize of €50 to the lucky winner, Catherine O'Brien, Thurles.

Next Draw – Thursday September 30th - Jackpot of €4,250.00.

You can join our Lotto anytime for as little as €2 per week (for one line) or a maximum of €5 per week (for 3 lines) with the jackpot growing every week if not won. Any week that the lotto is not won will see a draw for a cash prize. The lotto is available on-line only. We have been trying to find a way around your disappointment with the Lotto being on-line only. If you have been unsuccessful in joining our Lotto and you still wish to do so, please contact the Parish Office and Marie or Louise will do their best to assist you. The Cathedral is a very costly building to maintain, and we must again turn to the people of our parish and the Archdiocese to assist with the significant cost of reroofing it. Go to www.thurlesparish.ie and click on the "Join Lotto" button. We thank you for your support and great interest in this fundraising venture.

Coinciding with the 'Raise the Roof' Lotto initiative, we have received a number of donations to the Cathedral Reroofing Fund. We acknowledge and thank those of you who have contributed. Your kindness and generosity is much appreciated.

RECENTLY DECEASED: \$\Partial Gary (Gunner) Carroll, St. Enda's Terrace, Bohernananve. \$\Phyllis Galvin, Blackcastle, Two-Mile-Borris. \$\Partial Adrian Maguire, Ballynonty, Thurles. \$\Partial Denis Sheehy, The Glebe, Cooleeney, Moyne. \$\Partial Elma Quirke, née Blake, Kilfeacle.

May They Rest in Peace