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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 the Pallottine College Chapel is 50 people.**

- **CATHEDRAL OPENING HOURS:** 8.30 a.m. daily. The Cathedral will remain open until 6.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and on all other days until after 7.00 p.m. mass.
- **BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH OPENING HOURS:** 9.00.am each morning remaining open until 2.00 pm daily (Open for 7.00 p.m. mass Tuesdays & Thursdays).
- **IN LINE WITH THE GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES:** Religious Services, Weddings & Funerals can proceed without capacity limits but with all other protective measures remaining in place: We ask that all parishioners attending masses and services be mindful of wearing face coverings, (it is understood that for medical reasons some people may not be able to comply with this regulation); using hand sanitizer; keep social distance. The Eucharist will continue to be received on the hand only.
- **FOR THE PRESENT CURRENT MASS TIME SCHEDULE WILL REMAIN IN PLACE: .**
- **BAPTISMS** may be booked through the Parish Centre. 20 people may attend each Baptism.
- **CONFESSIONS:** Cathedral Saturdays: 2.30 – 3.30 p.m.
- **FIRST FRIDAY CALLS:** Will not resume for November but hopefully, once easing of restrictions remains in place, First Friday Calls will resume in the near future. In the meantime, should you wish a priest to call to a family member please contact the Parish Office.
- **HOLY WATER:** If you need Holy Water please bring your container, filled with water to the Parish Centre for blessing.
- **PARISH CENTRE:** Please remember to wear your face coverings when visiting the Parish Centre.

**FOR OUR STREAMING SERVICE ON-LINE please visit [www.thurlesparish.ie](http://www.thurlesparish.ie).**

**THURLES PARISH CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:**

| DATES   | CATHEDRAL                               | BÓTHAR NA NAOMH         |
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| Friday 24 <sup>th</sup><br>CHRISTMAS EVE              | 6.00 p.m.<br>8.00 p.m.                  | 5.00 p.m.<br>7.00 p.m.  |
| Saturday December 25 <sup>th</sup><br>CHRISTMAS DAY   | 9.00 a.m.<br>11.00 a.m.                 | 8.00 a.m.<br>10.00 a.m. |
| Sunday December 26 <sup>th</sup><br>ST. STEPHEN'S DAY | 9.00 a.m.<br>11.00 a.m.<br>No 7.00 p.m. | 10.00 a.m.              |

**COME AND MAKE YOUR PEACE THIS CHRISTMAS.....**

**CHRISTMAS CONFESSION TIMES:**

**Saturday December 18<sup>th</sup>:** Cathedral 2.30 – 3.30 p.m.

**Monday December 20<sup>th</sup>:** Bóthar na Naomh Church 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.

**Tuesday December 21<sup>st</sup>:** Cathedral 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.

**Please note: No Confessions on Christmas Eve.**

**FAMILY MASS: Next Saturday December 18<sup>th</sup>, 7.00 p.m., Cathedral.** Theme: “Giving Thanks and Looking Forward to Christmas”. Art work will be distributed to all primary schools next week.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:** Tickets now on sale in the Parish Centre – all proceeds to the Cathedral “Raise the Roof” Fund. Variety of prizes. (Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5).

**WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION:** We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€3,260.00** received. Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Church.

**ENVELOPE DISTRIBUTORS:** Christmas package containing a Parish Bookmark, Thurles ‘Raise the Roof’ Lotto Information Leaflet & Box of Envelopes are ready to be collected by the Distributors at the Parish Centre. If you have not helped with this project before and have some free time, we would be delighted to have more volunteers. The [Thurles Parish 2022 Calendar](#) is available at the Parish Centre as it is not part of Christmas package this year due to Covid-19.

**HANDCRAFTED CHRISTMAS CARDS:** Kindly made by two of our parishioners, Moireen & Marina, available in the Parish Centre. Call in and check out this beautiful variety of handmade cards. Donations only – proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Fund. Thurles Parish Christmas Cards & Christmas Mass Bouquets also available (€2).

**CHRISTMAS CLERGY COLLECTION:** Will take place next weekend, **18/19 December 2021**. (White Envelope 19-Dec-21) 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.

**VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL:** If you wish to donate to the Vincent de Paul this Christmas please drop your donation envelope to Thurles Parish Centre, both churches or at the Vincent De Paul Centre. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

**CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION “RAISE THE ROOF” LOTTO INITIATIVE**

**Weekly Lotto Draw Results: Winning Numbers: 3; 11; 25; 30.**

*The Jackpot was not won this week.*

**Cash Prize of €150 to the weekly lucky winner – Arthur Griffin.**

**Next Draw – Thursday December 16<sup>th</sup> - Jackpot €1,825.00.**

**Thanks to all for the support we have received with our Lotto. In appreciation the Lucky Dip will increase to €150 for five draws – Thursday November 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2021 incl.** If you haven’t already joined the lotto we would be delighted if you choose to join as we strive to raise the necessary finance to fund the replacement of the roof of the Cathedral of the Assumption.

**Coinciding with the ‘Raise the Roof’ Lotto initiative, we have received a number of donations to the Cathedral Reroofing Fund. Sincere thanks to all who have contributed. Your continued kindness and generosity is much appreciated.**

**NEWLY BAPTISED:** \*Tadhg Gearóid Dempsey, The Cottage, Holycross. \*Rebecca Simone O’Riordan, Cork.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** †Kathleen Cleary, née Allis, Cluain Glas, formerly Toher, Doon, Co. Limerick. Funeral Mass Sunday, 10.00 a.m., Bóthar na Naomh Church. Burial in Doon Cemetery. †Edward O’Dwyer, London formerly Kincora Terrace. Funeral Mass Sunday, 11.00 a.m., Cathedral. Burial in St. Patrick’s Cemetery. †Martin Hughes, Rosemount. †Patrick (Paddy) Doran, Garranroe, formerly Galbertstown. †Christy Bracken, Collins Park, formerly Ballacolla, Laois. †Biddy Mulcahy, née McGrath, Dublin, formerly 4 Mitchel Street. †Rose Quilter, née Doran, Gortinare, Lixnaw, Co. Kerry.

**May They Rest In Peace**

*“The Advent Journey.....Hope becomes Peace. Peace becomes Joy.  
Joy becomes Love. Love becomes Christ.”*