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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: 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.
- 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: Are not taking place presently, but hopefully, can 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.

EXPLORING PRIESTHOOD - ZOOM WITH SEMINARIANS AND PRIESTS: On

Tuesday 1st March @ 8.00 p.m. there will be an opportunity for young men to join in on a Zoom to find out more about priesthood and to hear directly from two young men who are currently studying for the priesthood in our National Seminary in Maynooth. The event is being run by the National Vocations Office. Information and registration details can be obtained by emailing info@vocations.ie alternatively by visiting vocations.ie/zoom or by contacting the Cashel & Emly vocations team at josephwalsho504@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS - THURLES PARISH: To avoid disappointment please book Anniversary Masses, in the Parish Office, at least two weeks before required date.

ANAM CARA TIPPERARY: The organisation that supports bereaved parents, monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Monday 21st February at 7.20 p.m. in the Horse & Jockey Hotel.

CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION "RAISE THE ROOF" LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results: Winning Numbers: 7; 13; 17; 30.

The Jackpot was not won this week

Cash Prize of €50 to weekly lucky winner – Cecelia Byrne, Thurles. Next Draw: February 24th – Jackpot €2,175.00.

A sincere thank you to those who have joined and continue to support our "Raise the Roof" weekly lotto. At the end of 2021 a total of 490 people had joined this fundraising initiative, the sole purpose of which is to raise the capital needed to reroof the Cathedral of the Assumption. With 490 members a total of €67,000 will be raised in a twelve month period – **this is a great help to our on-going fundraising but we need an increase in membership!** If you are not already a member we encourage you to please join the lotto as we seek to raise the very significant sum required to undertake this essential work. Please also encourage family and friends to join. The roof for the Cathedral was estimated at €1.5 million but with substantial increases in materials, inflation, etc., our target will be considerably greater so there is a very significant challenge facing us all. Thank you for your support. The lotto is available on-line only. To join visit www.thurlesparish.ie and click on the "Join Lotto" button. If you need assistance in joining the Lotto please contact the Parish Office and Louise or Marie will do their best to help you.

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Contributions - €2,425.00 received. Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Church.

HOLYCROSS'S DOMHAN GLAS ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP & TIDY VILLAGE are ready for the 5th Spring Clean of the six approach roads to Holycross in Feb/Mar. We are inviting residents /volunteers to take "Pride in our Place" on the Cabragh & Beakstown roads to participate safely on nominated days. Contact 0872349003 domhanglasenviromental@gmail.com

THURLES LIONS CLUB: Coffee Morning and Open Day in Two-Mile-Borris Vintage Transport Museum on **Sunday February 27th**, 10.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. All proceeds will go towards supporting local charities. Everyone welcome .

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT FEBRUARY 21ST – MARCH 6TH: The theme of the fortnight is the growing challenges that climate change brings to farmers and workers in the communities that Fairtrade works with. See fairtrade.ie/fortnight for details of online events.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Margaret Ann Hanly, née Corcoran, Ikerrin Court, formerly Glenbreeda, Borrisoleigh. Funeral arriving to the Cathedral next Monday at 7.45 p.m. Funeral Mass Tuesday, Cathedral 11.00 a.m. followed by burial in St. Brigid's Cemetery, Borrisoleigh. †Breda Callanan, née O'Brien, Collins Park. †John Joe Quigley, Leeds, formerly College View.

May They Rest In Peace.

PRESENTATION OF THE PASTORAL PLAN 'SEEDS OF HOPE': 'Seeds of Hope' is the pastoral plan for all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Cashel & Emly for the next few years. It has emerged from the Listening Process which took place from 2016 – 2019. Many of you were involved in this process and your discussion and feedback is reflected in the plan. Katherine Dullaghan and Sadie Moloney from the Diocesan Pastoral Development Office warmly invites parishioners to a meeting on **Tuesday, March 1**st **from 7.30 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. in the Templemore Arms Hotel** at which the 'Seeds of Hope' Plan will be presented.