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THURLES PARISH MASS TIMES:

Weekend Masses:

Cathedral: Saturday Vigil 7.00 p.m., Sunday 9.00 a.m. & 11.00 a.m.

Bóthar na Naomh Church: Sunday 10.00 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.

Weekdays:

Cathedral: Monday - Friday: 11.00 a.m. Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 7.00 p.m.

Bóthar na Naomh: Tuesday & Thursday: 7.00 p.m. Saturday: 10.00 a.m.

FOR OUR STREAMING SERVICE ON-LINE visit www.thurlesparish.ie.

CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION "RAISE THE ROOF" LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results: 6, 12, 13, 22. The Jackpot was not won this week.

Congratulations to the weekly Cash Prize winner of €150:- Sonny & Ita Felle, Thurles, and to our winner in the National Fundraising Draw of a Deluxe Christmas Hamper: - Jerry O'Regan, Borrisoleigh.

Next Draw: December 22nd - Lucky Dip will be €150.00 – Jackpot €2,575.00.

A sincere thank you to those who have joined and continue to support our "Raise the Roof" weekly lotto. 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. Please also encourage family and friends to join. The lotto is available on-line only. To join visit www.thurlesparish.ie and click on the "Join Lotto" button. **The Weekly Lucky Dip has increased to €150 for four Dec. draws until Dec. 22nd - if you're not in you can't win!! Your generosity is very much appreciated.**

HELP AVOID THE SPREAD OF COVID: Due to the rise in Covid numbers we recommend: (a) the wearing of Face Coverings when attending Mass; (b) use of Hand Sanitiser & (c) the reception of Holy Communion on the hands only.

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Contributions - €3,352.00 received. Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Church.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT with New Inn Voices and Guests on Saturday December 17th, 8.00 p.m. in Church of Our Lady Queen, New Inn. Door Collection for Parish Church and New Inn Voices. Please bring battery candles.

THE STANWIX VILLAGE OPEN DAY: This Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th December from 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.. Please come along to view the newly refurbished former Stanwix Home.

CABRAGH WETLANDS: Join us for our celebration of the Winter Solstice Tuesday Dec. 20th at 8.00 p.m. Admission free. All are welcome.

TIPPERARY PEOPLE & PLACES LECTURE: Thurles Library Tuesday December 20th at 7.00 p.m. - Dr. Paul Cotter's lecture on the early history of Ikerrin and its associated family, the O'Mahers. Tea and mince pies beforehand.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Michael Kenny, The Cottage, Cassestown.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Noreen Troy, 'St. Brigid's', Lognafulla. Funeral Mass this Sunday, Cathedral 11.00 a.m. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Paul Galvin, Tooreen, Bohernamona. Funeral arriving at Bóthar na Naomh Church Sunday for Funeral Mass at 10.00 a.m. Burial in Holycross Abbey Cemetery. †Kathleen Gaynor, née Gannon, Monadreen. †Michael McCormack, Curraheen, Horse & Jockey.

CHRISTMAS 2022:

CAROL SERVICE: Cathedral Sunday Dec. 18th, 7.30 p.m. We continue this century old tradition, started by St. Francis of Assisi, of expressing through carols and words our joy at Christmas and the Birth of our Saviour. Please note this event will not be live streamed.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSION TIMES:

TUESDAY DECEMBER 20TH: Bóthar na Naomh Church: 6.00 – 7.00 p.m. (Mass @ 7.00 p.m.) Confessions continue after Mass until 8.00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE: Cathedral: 1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH: Christmas Eve – 5.30 p.m. Christmas Day: 8.00 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. (Please note: NO 7.00 p.m. on Christmas Day).

CATHEDRAL: Christmas Eve: 7.00 p.m.; Christmas Day: 9.00 a.m. & 11.00 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: No Eucharistic Adoration on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day.

WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY DECEMBER 26TH:

MASS TIMES:

CATHEDRAL: 11.00 a.m.: Daily Monday – Friday.

No Evening Mass in the Cathedral Monday, Wednesday and Friday of this week.

7.00 p.m. Vigil Mass: **Saturday, December 31ST.**

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH:

7.00 p.m.: **Tuesday December 27th & Thursday December 29th.** 10.00 a.m.:

Saturday December 31ST.

Sunday, January 1st, 10.00 a.m. Mass. NO 7.00 p.m. evening Mass.

Please Note: NO CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY DECEMBER 31ST.

CHRISTMAS CLERGY COLLECTION: December 17th & 18th. This collection is for the support of priests, active and retired in the Archdiocese. This is the last Clergy Collection for 2022 and we would like to say a very big thanks to all who contributed so generously to our collections during the year.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Tickets on sale in the Parish Centre – all proceeds to the Cathedral Reroofing Project. Variety of Prizes. (Tickets: €2 each or 3 for €5). Join us for the Draw and a Cuppa in the Parish Centre after 11.00 a.m. Mass next **Thursday December 22nd.**

HANDCRAFTED CHRISTMAS CARDS: Kindly made by two of our parishioners, Marina & Moireen, available in the Parish Centre. Check out this beautiful collection of handmade cards. Donations only – Proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Fund. Thurles Parish Christmas Cards & Christmas Mass Bouquets available – Mass:; Card: €2.

'HALLELUJAH CONCERT' - Fr Ray Kelly (Britain's Got Talent Fame): Friday March 24th 2023, Bóthar na Naomh Church. **Tickets Now On Sale In The Parish Office – Ideal Christmas Gift.**

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH GOLDEN JUBILEE BOOK & COMMEMORATIVE C.D.: The Golden Jubilee Book charts many celebrations, the personalities and the neighbours associated with Bóthar na Naomh. 'Fatih, Hope & Love' C.D. features the Bóthar na Naomh Cantors, the Bóthar na Naomh Choir and our three priests. Both on sale in the Parish Office - €10 each. Ideal Christmas gift!!

DECEMBER 2022: Each household will receive the Parish Calendar, Christmas Card, Thurles Cathedral "Raise the Roof" Lotto Brochure inviting you to join the Lotto, if you have not already done so, and a package of envelopes for all Church Collections 2022 including Weekly Offertory Collection Envelopes which begin Jan. 1st 2023. If you do not receive a package please contact the Parish Office.