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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.

A WORD OF THANKS

As 2022 draws to a close we reflect with great joy and gratitude on the involvement of so many parishioners in the vigour and wellbeing of our parish. We give thanks for the witness you provide to our Christian Faith through your participation in the different groups; our Parish Pastoral Team incorporating all the existing ministry groups, Sacristans, Secretarial Staff, Eucharistic Ministers, Choirs, Cantors, Folk Group, Organists and Musicians, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Adorers, Readers, Eco-Spirituality Group, Bóthar na Naomh Hospitality Group, Parish Centre Hospitality Personnel, Events Committee, Altar Societies, Church Flower Arrangers, Crib Builders and those who organised the Carol Service. We appreciate those who help in the cleaning of the Churches. We are very grateful to all who contribute to our Collections including our Parish Building Fund. We value the time and advice given by our Finance Committee. We express a special word of thanks to the Envelope Distributors. Finally, conscious of the many families that have been bereaved in the past year, we renew our sympathy to you and remember you particularly in our prayers during this time.

A New Year's Prayer:

As the dawn breaks on a new year

Let us give thanks for all we hold dear, our family & our friends.

NOTE: Sunday, January 1st, No 7.00 p.m evening Mass

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY FRIDAY JANUARY 6th – MASS TIMES:

CATHEDRAL: Friday 11.00 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH: Friday 10.00 a.m.

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.

CONFESSIONS: Resume in the Cathedral on Saturday January 7th.

CHRISTMAS CLERGY COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this Collection. 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.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Sincere thanks to all who supported our Christmas Raffle and to all who so kindly donated prizes. **€2,600.00** was raised for the Cathedral "Raise the Roof" Fund. Congratulations to the lucky winners!

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€11,133.00** received. Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Church.

PARISH CRIBS: We invite you to visit our cribs in the Cathedral and Bóthar Na Naomh Church during the Christmas season.

PARISH OFFICE: Will re-open Tuesday January 3rd, 11.30

– 5.00 p.m. Lunch: 1.30 – 2.30 p.m. Open normal hours on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday.

CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION "RAISE THE ROOF" LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results: Winning Numbers: 18; 19; 23; 28.

The Jackpot was not won this week.

Cash Prize of €150.00 to the weekly lucky winner – Breda Kennedy

Next Draw – January 5th - Jackpot €2,875.00

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. 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 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. **Your generosity is very much appreciated.**

CAMEO CARE CHARITY SHOP: Welcome donations of small items of furniture, pictures, & other household goods in saleable condition. (No clothes please). **OPENING TIMES** Monday – Saturday 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Contact 086 2520766 or 087 6866359. Thank you for your Support.

CABRAGH WETLANDS: Join us on Tues Jan 3rd at 8.00 p.m. for an evening of Music, Song Story, & Dance. Admission is free. All are welcome.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †John Jordan, 78 Kennedy Park. Funeral arriving in Bóthar Na Naomh Church Saturday at 8.00 p.m. Funeral Mass Sunday at 10.00 a.m. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Bridget (Bridie) Williams née Shanahan, Slievenamon Meadows, formerly Gortacoola, Drombane. †Liam Ryan, Willowmere Drive. †Anne Bourke née Ryan (Cowboy) Sean Treacy Ave, Loughtagalla. †Ann Keating née Webster, late of Bohernamona Rd. †Anne O'Shaughnessy née Heavy, Ard Mhuire. †Phyl Dwyer née Butler, Turtulla. †Peggy Hayde née Purcell, Birmingham, late of Whitefield, Loughmore. †Kay Clerken, née Doyle, Askeaton, Co Limerick.

May They Rest In Peace.

"Let us not soundproof our hearts...

...Let us listen to one another."

Pope Francis

