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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: Winning Numbers: 7; 11; 15; 26.

The jackpot was not won this week.

Cash Prize of €50.00 to the weekly lucky winner – Josephine O’Dwyer, Coolahulla.

Next Draw – March 2nd – Jackpot €4,97500.

We urgently appeal to you, if you have not already done so, to join our weekly lotto so that we can reroof the Cathedral of the Assumption without delay- we need this income to fund this essential project. **The estimated cost of the proposed construction works will be €1,725,000.**

What you can do:

Join our Lotto for as little as €2 for one line or €5 per week for three lines if you are not already a member;

To join go to www.thurlesparish.ie and click on the “Join Lotto” button or contact the Parish Office for assistance.

Encourage family members and friends living at home or away, neighbours, work colleagues or employees to join the Lotto.

Make a donation to the fund if you do not wish to, or cannot join the Lotto.

Continue supporting our fundraising initiatives including concerts etc.

We in Thurles Parish really appreciate all the help and support that we continue to receive. We appreciate and realize that times are tough right now, but we hope we can look forward to your continued support, which is always so gratefully received and never taken for granted.

‘HALLELUJAH’ CONCERT: Fr. Ray Kelly (Britain’s Got Talent Fame): **Friday March 24th, 2023 @ 8.00 p.m. Bóthar na Naomh Church. Tickets now on sale in the Thurles Parish Office & Bookworm, Liberty Square, also available in Holycross Abbey Shop & Cashel Parish Office, (Ticket Donation: €25).** Fr. Ray became a worldwide internet sensation when the video of him singing, ‘Hallelujah’ was highly successful on YouTube and Fr. Ray also reached the semi-final of Britain’s Got Talent in 2018. We are delighted to be welcoming him to Thurles for this concert in aid of the Cathedral Reroofing project. **Special Guests on the night: Thurles Parish Youth Choir.**

SACRAMENT OF FIRST CONFESSION: Will take place in the Cathedral next **Tuesday evening, February 28th at 7.00 p.m.** Please note there will be **NO EVENING MASS** in Bóthar na Naomh Church. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

THE CHOSEN: Every Monday night for the season of Lent @7.45 p.m in Lámh Chunta. A great and enjoyable way to enter into the season and prepare spiritually for Easter. This week, episode three explores how children are at the heart of the gospel and teach us so much about our relationship with God. Hope to see you there.

DIOCESAN SERVICES COLLECTION: Takes place next weekend, March 4th/5th.

Administering the Archdiocese is the responsibility of the Archbishop and his staff working from the Diocesan Office. They are charged with the legal, financial and pastoral care of the Archdiocese, its priests, people, property and assets. Because of the new legal responsibilities, the workload has grown considerably, and staff levels have increased. General secretarial administration personnel, a full-time Accountant and secretarial assistance, Child Safeguarding Director and vetting personnel, and the equipment they use, comprise part of the cost of administering the Archdiocese. **Your contribution to the Diocesan Services goes towards supporting these new and necessary pastoral resources for our Diocese.** We appreciate your generosity.

MARCH FIRST FRIDAY: Usual Communion Calls to the Sick and House-bound.

EASTER RAFFLE: Variety of great prizes. Tickets now available in the Parish Centre – all proceeds to the **Cathedral Reroofing Project.** (Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5).

TROCAIRE BOXES: Available at back of both Churches. Theme: *“Hold Fast to Love and Justice”*, Hosea 12: 6. Please support Trócaire because it is only when we work together that we can build a truly just world.

TRÓCAIRE: Ba mhaith le daltaí Rang a 6, Gaelscoil Bhríde buíochas ó chroí a ghabháil le gach duine a thug tacaíocht dá ndíolachán cácaí le déanaí. Rang 6, Gaelscoil Bhríde sincerely thank all those who supported their recent cake sale. They raised €5,000.00 for Trócaire and the victims of the recent earthquake.

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€4,455.00** received. Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Church.

LEGION OF MARY: The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at Bóthar na Naomh Grotto every Saturday during Lent at 3.00 p.m.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE: Fethard Augustinian Abbey, **Sunday Feb. 26th, 12 noon.** It is a community gesture of solidarity with all who have been affected by suicide.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT MEETING: Wednesday March 1st, 11 a.m. Order of Malta Rooms.

PARENTS COUNCIL OF THE URSULINE SECONDARY SCHOOL: In association with the Holman Lee Agency invite you to our Fashion Show, March 4th, 8.00 p.m. in the Sr Ursula Memorial Hall, Ursuline Secondary School. Enquiries to 0504 22147.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Fia Janet Meaney-Culley, Slí na Síuire. *Gearóid Seán Purcell -Crudden, Hazelwood Grove. *Emily Aoife Ryan, Ard na Croise.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †James (Jim) Dunne, Brittas Road. †Bernadette (Bernie) Rigney, née McCarthy, Davis Road. †Martha Scanlon, née Moore, Croke Gardens, formerly Kennedy Park. †Catherine (Cathy) Shanahan, Sarsfield Street. †Declan Barry, Knocka, Drom. †Rita (Alice) Fitzpatrick, née McNamara, Rosemount & Bansha. †Eileen Shanahan, Killough Avenue, Moycarkey. †Jane Bulfin, Snr., Eglis, Birr, Co. Offaly. †Don Gray, Dorset, England.

May They Rest in Peace.

ANNUAL CASHEL & EMLY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: JUNE 17TH - 22ND

Information from Parish Office. All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours at 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2. Bookings are also accepted over the telephone 01-2410800.

SPECIAL ASSISTED SECTION: There will not be a special assisted section with medical and care staff this year. Hopefully this will resume for 2024. For this year all pilgrims should be able to make the pilgrimage independently or with the assistance of someone accompanying them and taking responsibility for their care.