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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.

HELP AVOID THE SPREAD OF COVID: 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.

CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION "RAISE THE ROOF" LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results: Winning Numbers: 3; 7; 13; 15.

The jackpot was not won this week.

Cash Prize of €50.00 to the weekly lucky winner – Frida Dunne, Thurles.

Next Draw – February 9th – Jackpot €4,225.00.

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 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.**

THE CHOSEN: Thurles Parish presents Season One of 'The Chosen' - a world-wide phenomenon with over 460 million downloads; the largest crowd funded mini-series of all time; the Christian answer to Game of Thrones. Re-live the mystery of Jesus through the eyes of his closest followers - **Commencing Monday February 13th** and continuing every Monday during Lent in Lámh Chunta from 7.45 – 9.00 p.m. with light refreshments Please spread the good news.

FAMILY MASS (PRE-CONFIRMATION MASS)

Saturday, February 11th at 7.00 p.m.

Theme: 'I have called you by Name' (Isaiah 43:1)

We invite you to our Family Mass next Saturday and encourage all Candidates for Confirmation and their families to come for this celebration in preparation for Confirmation on Saturday March 11th.

In preparation for the Mass a worksheet will be issued through the schools. We ask our Young People to bring their Baptismal Candle and the Worksheet to this Mass next Saturday.

VIGIL IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES: Friday Feb. 10th, (Eve of Feast Day), in the Cathedral commencing with Rosary at 6.30 p.m.; Mass 7.00 p.m. and concluding with Adoration from 7.30 – 8.00 p.m.

FEBRUARY CLERGY COLLECTION: Takes place this weekend, 4th/5th February 2023 (White Envelope: 05-Feb-23). 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 do understand if you are unable to contribute in these times.

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€2,995.00** received. Donation Boxes for the Weekly Offertory Collection are placed around the Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh Church.

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS: Mt St Joseph Abbey, Roscrea on 10-12th Feb.

GAELSCOIL BHRÍDE AR SON TRÓCAIRE: Beidh Rang 6, Gaelscoil Bhríde, ag eagrú a nDíolachán Cácaí bliantúil ar son Trócaire ar an Aoine seo chugainn, 10ú Feabhra, in halla na scoile ar 10.00. Bígí linn! Rang 6 will host their annual cake sale in aid of Trócaire in the school hall on Friday, February 10th at 10.00. All are welcome!

I.C.A. MEETING: Wednesday, Feb. 8th in Order of Malta Rooms at 11.00 a.m.

THURLES DRAMA GROUP PRESENTS: Conor McPherson's 'The Seafarer' in the Source at 8.00 p.m. on Monday Feb. 13th - Saturday Feb. 18th. This award winning black comedy, directed by Margaret McCormack, contains strong language.

MOYNE DRAMA GROUP: Presents "The Hen Night Epiphany", Moyne Community Centre Saturday Feb. 4th & Sunday February 5th @ 8.30 p.m. Admission €10.

ORMOND OCTAVES: Upcoming Concert in Roscrea Catholic Church, Friday Feb. 17th 8.00 p.m. Tickets from Bookworm and Parish Office, Roscrea. Proceeds to St. Cronan's Day Services.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Ollie Patrick Lawlor Meaney, Childers Park.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Carmen Quinn, née Hodoivianu, Marlstone Manor, Brittas Road. †Mary Webster, née Brolan, 'Chez Nous', Bohernamona. †Matthew Joseph Whelan, Mweelnahorna, Ring, Waterford. †John Walsh, Oughterard, Co. Galway. †Betty Johnson, née Broderick, Kilmacud, Dublin formerly Inch. †Helen Twomey, Blackrock, Cork.

May They Rest in Peace.

ANNUAL CASHEL & EMLY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

June 17th – June 22nd, 2023 (Five Nights). 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.**