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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: 4; 5; 11; 18.

The jackpot was not won this week.

Cash Prize of €50.00 to the weekly lucky winner – Richard Barry, Thurles.

Next Draw – March 16th – Jackpot €5,500.00.

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 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.**

THE CHOSEN: Join us in Lámh Chunta next Monday night for Episode V of the Chosen - the Wedding Gift. If you are curious about the show but afraid that you have missed too much, this is the episode for you. Experience the ceremony and beauty of an ancient Jewish wedding and watch out for some new characters -especially the first appearance of Mary, the mother of Jesus.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY: FRIDAY MARCH 17th – MASS TIMES:

Cathedral: Friday 9.00 a.m., 11.00 a.m. (Mass as Gaeilge) & 7.00 p.m.

Bóthar na Naomh Church: Thursday 7.00 p.m.; Friday 10.00 a.m. Please note additional morning Mass at 9.00 a.m. in the Cathedral & 10.00 a.m. Mass in Bóthar na Naomh.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Congratulation to all the Young People who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Cathedral this weekend and to all their parents and teachers. A big Thank You to all who helped make these ceremonies so meaningful and special – Teachers, Stewards, Musicians and Singers, Meg & Jim, Cathedral Flower Group, Parish Office Staff and all who prepared the Cathedral Grounds.

FAMILY MASS: The Family Mass will take place on Saturday, March 18th in the Cathedral @ 7.00 p.m. with a special focus for children and parents preparing for 1st Holy Communion. Our theme is learning to look below the surface. Seeing God's blessings and signs with the eyes of the heart. Hope to see you then.

DIOCESAN SERVICES COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this collection. We appreciate your continue support.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: The Archdiocese of Cashel Emly is developing its *Diocesan Adoration Lay Committee* in order to increase the practice of Eucharistic Adoration in all parishes. Information Meeting in the Parish Hall, St Michael St., Tipperary on Sat., 18th March at 11.00a.m.

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).

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€3,335.00** 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.

ACCORD is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation facilitators. Marriage facilitators are part of a team that prepare couples for the Sacrament of Marriage. If you are interested, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact marriagepreparation@accord.ie for more information.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE: Liberty Square, 2.30p.m. on **Fri 17th – St. Patrick's Day.** Entries still welcome. The parade will assemble at 1.30pm and start at 2.15 p.m. in Abbey Road at JYSK for entrants. Liberty Square will be closed off at the Slievenamon Road junction from 2.00 p.m. There will be live music and street entertainment. Come out and enjoy the day!

THURLES MEN'S SHED: Open Wednesdays and Fridays, 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. All new members welcome. For further information contact: **0504 22458.**

ANAM CARA TIPPERARY the organisation that supports bereaved parents next monthly Parent Evening on Monday March 20th at 7.15 p.m., Horse and Jockey Hotel. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents. We also offer an online meeting. Info @ 085 288 8888.

LOST: In Friar Street - Blue (Knock Shrine) Purse containing Rosary Beads & Relics – of great sentiment value – if found, please contact Parish Office.

THURLES FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB: Meeting Tuesday March 14th @ 8.00 p.m. in Order of Malta Hall. Guest Speaker: Mary Keenan, Gash Gardens, Co Laois. Non-members welcome.

THURLES ACTIVE RETIREMENT MEETING: Wednesday March 15th, Order of Malta Rooms.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Sallyanne Rose Butler, Fertiana, Holycross. *Seán Luke Kevin McCormack, Glasnevin, Dublin.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Anne Crowe, née Cantwell, Kennedy Park. Funeral Mass this Sunday, Cathedral 11.00 a.m. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Joan Fitzgerald, née Caesar, Bohervaroon. †Seamus Mangan, Brittas Road formerly Edenderry, Co. Offaly. †Adam Kirwan, Derrrough, Mountrath, Co. Laois. †Renie McGann nee Crowe, Lincoln, England, formerly Innisfallen Avenue.

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.