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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.

(This Tuesday 7.00 p.m. Mass will include Anointing of the Sick)

FOR OUR STREAMING SERVICE ON-LINE visit [www.thurlesparish.ie](http://www.thurlesparish.ie).

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:**

**FRIDAY DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> – MASS TIMES:**

**Thursday Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>:** Bóthar na Naomh Church 7.00 p.m. (Vigil Mass);

**Friday Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>:** Bóthar na Naomh Church: 10.00 a.m. (please note additional morning Mass for Holy Day).

**Friday Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> - CATHEDRAL:** 11.00 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION VIGIL:** Friday December 8<sup>th</sup> in the Cathedral commencing with Holy Rosary at 6.30 p.m.; Mass 7.00 p.m. and concluding with Adoration from 7.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. Celebrant: Fr. John Makoni, C.C. All welcome to come and pray.

**WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION:** We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€4,532.00** received.

**FAMILY MASS:** Saturday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> @ 7.00 p.m. in the Cathedral. Theme – *Preparing the way for Jesus this Christmas.* We invite our children to make a Christmas Card and write your message to Jesus on it. Place your card in the box at the back of the Cathedral during the week. These will be placed near the crib for Christmas.

**ENVELOPE DISTRIBUTORS:** The Christmas Package ready for collection by the Distributors at the Parish Centre. We hope our existing distributors can continue to help with delivering the envelopes. If you have some free time, we would be delighted to have more volunteers to help.

**POLISH MASS:** Presentation Convent Sun. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1.00 p.m. Confessions available. Polska Msza odbędzie się 3 Ciego grudnia o Godz 1.00 p.m. w Kaplicy Siostr Presentation Convent.

**ADVENT WITH THE WORD OF GOD:** Join us in Lámh Chúnta, Bóthar na Naomh on the Mondays of Advent at 7.45 p.m. for prayer with the scriptures in preparation for Christmas (Mon. Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, Mon. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> & Mon. Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>).

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:** Tickets now on sale at the Parish Office. A great variety of prizes. All proceeds to the Cathedral Reroofing Project. Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5.

**HANDCRAFTED CHRISTMAS CARDS:** Kindly made by two of our parishioners, Moireen & Marina, available in the Parish Centre. Donations only – proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Fund. Thurles Parish Christmas Cards & Christmas Mass Bouquets also available (€2).

**GALA EVENING OF MUSIC & SONG:** This Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm., Cathedral. *Come along and enjoy an evening of jubilant and festive Music & Song at this years 'Raise the Roof' Gala Concert* - Cathedral Choir, Clonmel Concert Band with Special Guest: **Gina Oberoi (Irish Soprano), Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7.30 p.m.** in the Cathedral. **No booking required** – Donations gratefully received on the night towards the Cathedral Reroofing Fund.

**CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION “RAISE THE ROOF”  
LOTTO INITIATIVE**

**Weekly Lotto Draw Results November 30<sup>th</sup>:**

**Winning Numbers: 6; 13; 14; 23.**

The jackpot was not won this week.

**Cash Prize of €150.00 to the weekly lucky winner – Mary Egan, Thurles**

**Next Draw: December 7<sup>th</sup> . Jackpot: €7,300.00.**

**The weekly Lucky Dip has increased to €150 for the next four draws: Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>.** We greatly appreciate your support and commitment to the Cathedral Reroofing Project....fingers crossed we might reach 600 members by Christmas!!! If you have not already done so – please join our Lotto for as little as €2 for one line or €5 per week for three lines. To join go to [www.thurlesparish.ie](http://www.thurlesparish.ie) and click on the “Join Lotto” button **OR** you can join with a cash payment - to do so, call into the Parish Office. **Have you considered giving a gift of the Parish Lotto to family & friends this Christmas? One line = €40 for 20 weeks; 3 lines: €100 for 20 weeks and more options available.** Please note a mobile number can only be used once, i.e. a separate mobile number for each new member. Alternatively, you can make a donation to the fund if you do not wish to join our Parish Lotto. **We wish to express our gratitude for €42,635.00 received in direct donations since August 31<sup>st</sup> this year.** The estimated cost of the proposed construction works will be €1,725,000. *We look forward to your continued support.*

**CAROLS BY CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE:** St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Sunday Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, 7.00 p.m. All welcome

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Families or people who need help this Christmas please make a request by ringing St Vincent de Paul @ [061 317327](tel:061317327) or email [info.midwest@svp.ie](mailto:info.midwest@svp.ie) - Requests have to be in by **Dec.13th**

**DEMENTIA FRIENDLY THURLES:** Pre-Christmas Cafe and end of year celebration on Wed. Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> ,Bookworm, 11.00 a.m. Aromatherapy crafting, music and mince pies! We will also discuss our plans for the 2024 cafes. Looking forward to seeing everyone again.

**ACTIVE RETIREMENT:** Meeting Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec., 10.30, Order of Malta Rooms.

**RAHEALTY HALL CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEMONSTRATION:** This Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3.00 p.m. Admission: €10. Tea & mince pies for all!

**CAR PARKING:** We are very fortunate to have the use of the MIC (St. Patrick's College) Car Park at the weekends. In the interest of safety and easy access MIC vehemently request that **NO CARS BE PARKED ON THE COLLEGE AVENUE AT ANY TIME.**

**ARCHBISHOP'S RESIDENCE:** We also ask that greater care be taken when parking in the grounds of the Archbishop's residence. Please refrain from **parking/turning cars** on the lawn area. Thank you for your co-operation in these matters.

**NEWLY BAPTISED:** \*Christopher Michael Doyle, Brittas. \*Ronan Sean Mullaney Rosemount. \*Evie Moloney, Ballycahill.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** †Bernard Quin, Ard Mhuire. †Very Rev. Fr. Tadhg Furlong, P.P., Cappawhite, Co. Tipperary. †John O'Dwyer, Kilcock, Kildare, formerly Mitchel Street. †Gerry Linehan, Mallow, Co. Cork. †Sonya Brannigan Campion, Mountrath, Co. Laois.

*May They Rest in Peace.*



Heavenly Father, as we begin this Advent, give light to our eyes and peace to our hearts. May the Lord find us watching and waiting in hope when He comes.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**CASHEL & EMLY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE DIOCESAN TO LOURDES 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY – June 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> 2024.**