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THURLES PARISH MASS TIMES:

WEEKENDS: 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

The Jackpot was not won:

Weekly Lotto Draw Results: April 25th: Winning Numbers: 4; 7; 21; 27.

Cash Prize of €50 – to the weekly lucky winner – Noreen Gleeson, Thurles.

Next Draw: May 2nd, 2024. – Jackpot €5,425.00.

If you wish to join the Parish Lotto by cash payment - 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. We take this opportunity to remind you if your 20 week cash membership has almost reached expiry date and if you wish to continue supporting Thurles Parish Lotto please call into the Parish Office to renew. If you need clarification on your expiry date, please contact the Parish Office. *If you have not already joined the Lotto, why not take the opportunity to do so now as the prize fund continues to increase!! Alternatively, you can make a donation to the Reroofing Fund if you do not wish to join our Parish Lotto.*

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€4,448.00** received.

FIRST FRIDAY: The sick & housebound will be visited during this coming week.

MAY PROCESSION: Celebrate the month of May and honour our Lady in the newly developed Loughtagalla Park, **Wednesday May 1st @ 7.45 p.m.** with rosary, hymns and blessing of Our Lady's statue. All are welcome to join in our **Parish May Procession.**

MAY ROSARY: Will be recited each evening during May at **Bóthar na Naomh Grotto** at 6.00 p.m. All welcome.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE: Organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, on **Saturday May 4th in Knock Shrine** with Mass at 3.00 p.m. in the Basilica. Anointing of the Sick will take place during Mass. Main celebrant & homilist: Archbishop Francis Duffy.

CASHEL & EMLY ARCHDIOCESAN 50TH ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE TO

LOURDES: June 14th - 20th.

Pilgrimage Director: Rev. Jimmy Donnelly. **Bookings & Enquires:** Contact Joe Walsh Tours @ info@joewalshstours.ie or – 01 241 0800. **For Assisted Pilgrims only, please contact:** Very Rev. Joe Tynan, PP: on lourdesassistedpilgrimage@cashel-emly.ie or 087 222 5445.

A special appeal has been issued for nurses or care assistants to travel as helpers on the pilgrimage this year: Special staff rates apply. For further information contact Fr. Jimmy Donnelly on 086-2622787.

FIRST COMMUNION DATES 2024

SATURDAY MAY 18th:

10.00 a.m.: SCOIL AILBHE - BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH.

10.00 a.m.: RAHEALTY N.S. – CATHEDRAL.

12.00 Noon: PRESENTATION PRIMARY SCHOOL – CATHEDRAL.

SATURDAY MAY 25th:

10.00 a.m.: GAELSCOIL BHRÍDE - BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH.

12.00 Noon: LEUGH N.S. - BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH.

12.00 Noon: SCOIL ANGELA URSULINE PRIMARY SCHOOL – CATHEDRAL.

POLISH MASS: Next Sunday May 5th in the Presentation Convent chapel at 1.00 p.m. Polska Msza Sw bedzie 5 maja w kaplicy Siostr Presentation o godz 1pm. Mozliwosc Spowiedzi.

THANK YOU: On behalf of the Polish Community a sincere thanks to all our parishioners who took part in the Mass of Welcome for the **Relics Of The Blessed Martyrs, Polish Franciscans, Zbigniew Strzalkowski And Michal Tomaszek** last Sunday.

THURLES COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES: AGM **Tuesday April 30th @ 7.30 p.m.** at Golden Years Day Centre, St Mary's Health Centre, Parnell St. All are welcome.

ANAM CARA & MILFORD CARE CENTRE LIMERICK: Face-to-face Bereavement Support Evening in Milford Care Centre, Castretroy, Limerick on **Thursday May 2nd from 7.00pm – 9.00pm** (Registration from 6.45 p.m.) This evening gives parents an opportunity to hear an experienced bereavement professional talk about the many challenges parents face on their journey through grief.

CELEBRATION OF BEALTAINE: At Cabragh Wetlands on Wednesday, May 1st. All welcome.

THURLES LIBRARY ANNUAL BEALTAINE FESTIVAL:

Tuesday May 7th @ 7.00 p.m.: An opportunity to meet 'The Irish Gardener', Peter Dowdall, regularly seen on RTÉ and TV3.

Monday May 13th from 2.30p.m.- 3.30 p.m.: Awaken your creativity and explore painting techniques in our Art Workshop.

Wednesday May 15th @ 11.30 a.m.: Local author, Susie Murphy, author of 'A Matter of Class', will give a reading and answer any questions you may have.

Friday May 17th @ 2.30p.m.: 'What's it Worth?'. Come along to a talk by auctioneers Louise Mitchell & John Gleeson and have your treasures appraised.

Wednesday May 29th @ 11.30 a.m.: Community Policing Sergeant Raymond Moloney will go through personal, home and internet safety.

Thursday May 30th from 10.00 a.m. – 12 noon.: Try your hand at manual carving on a Wood Carving Exhibition & 2 hour Workshop with Para. If you would like to book a place on any of the above, please contact 052-6166131.

RATHDOWNEY CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Daniel O'Donnell & his band will hold his only Christmas Concert in Ireland for 2024, in Rathdowney Parish Church on **Sun. December 1st at 6.00 p.m.** Tickets on sale from **Wed. May 1st**. Contact Rathdowney Parish Office on 0505 46282.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Mary Carey, née Ryan (King), Tooreen, Bohernamona. †Patrick McEvoy, Stradavoher. †Delia Ryan, née Ryan, St. Brigid's Villas, Borrisoleigh, formerly Drombane. †Joe Moloney, Barronstown, Tipperary Town, Co. Tipperary. †Seamus O'Shea, Nenagh.

May The Rest In Peace.

*"When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves,
You know that summer is near."* (Matthew 24:32)