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**THURLES PARISH MASS TIMES:**  
**WEEKENDS:** Cathedral: Saturday Vigil 7.00 p.m., Sunday 11.00 a.m.  
Bóthar na Naomh Church: Sunday 09.30 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.  
**WEEKDAYS:**  
Cathedral: Monday - Friday: 11.00 a.m.  
Bóthar na Naomh: Tuesday & Thursday: 7.00 p.m. Saturday: 11.00 a.m.  
**FOR OUR STREAMING SERVICE ON-LINE visit [www.thurlesparish.ie](http://www.thurlesparish.ie)**  
**(This Tuesday 7.00 p.m. Mass will include anointing of the sick)**

**CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION:**  
**“RAISE THE ROOF” LOTTO INITIATIVE**  
**Weekly Lotto Draw Results June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025:**  
**Winning Numbers: 1; 7; 8; 15.**  
The Jackpot was not won this week.  
**Cash Prize of €50 to the weekly lucky Winner – Bridget Power, Thurles.**  
**Next Draw July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Jackpot €6,450.00.00.**  
To help us reach our target of €2.2 million for this building project new members are always required and welcome! Alternatively, you can make a donation to the fund if you do not wish to join our Parish Lotto.  
**€9,590.00 received in Donations, April 2025 – June 2025. Total amount in Cathedral Reroofing Fund June 26<sup>th</sup> 2025: €954,553.43.**  
*“For it is in giving that we receive” – St. Francis of Assisi.*  
*We are deeply grateful for your continued support towards the Cathedral Reroofing Project.*  
**MICHAEL ENGLISH & HIS BAND: “Faith, Hope & Inspiration Concert”**  
in the Cathedral on **Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025**, in aid of the Cathedral Reroofing Project. Ticket Donation: €30. **Tickets now on sale** in Parish Office, Cathedral Street (0504 22229) & Bookworm, Liberty Square (0504 22257).

**WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION:** We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - €3,435.00 received.  
**CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PRIESTS COLLECTION:** Takes place next weekend, July 6<sup>th</sup> 2025, (06-Jul-25). This fund is used to provide priests with in-service training so that they can continue to minister effectively to enhance the life of our parish communities throughout the diocese. We appreciate your continued generosity.  
**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS:** Next Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 10.30 a.m. Bóthar na Naomh Church.  
**COMMUNION CALLS:** If you or someone in your family wish to receive Holy Communion during the First Friday week – please contact the Parish Office to arrange.  
**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:** We wish to express our gratitude and particularly acknowledge the Legion of Mary who organised our Procession last Saturday evening. A special thanks to all who participated in what was a memorable and prayerful gathering.  
**2025 RALLY FOR LIFE:** Dublin, Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup> at 1.00 p.m. Assembling in Parnell Square. Mass will be celebrated in nearby St Xavier's Church Dominic Street at 12 noon. Train leaving Thurles at 9.45 a.m.

**TWO HOUR VIGIL IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL:** Bóthar na Naomh Church on Tuesday July 15<sup>th</sup>, Eve of the Feast Day, beginning with Holy Rosary at 6.30 p.m.; Mass @ 7.00 p.m. and Holy Hour from 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Also Enrolment in the Brown Scapular of our Lady of Mount Carmel. Celebrant Fr. James Purcell.  
**WALK ST. DECLANS WAY:** A jubilee event for young adults (aged 18-35) to mark the canonisation of Pier Giorgio Frassati. Walk St Declan's Way over 4 days (15-20km per day), July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>. Staying in Glencomeragh House. With a full spiritual and cultural programme. Cost €275. p.p. Email: [youthpilgrimages@waterfordlismore.ie](mailto:youthpilgrimages@waterfordlismore.ie) for the link.  
**INVITATION:** Anointing Fire Catholic Ministries are holding a Catholic Charismatic Residential Retreat at De La Salle Pastoral Centre in Castletown, Co Laois, from Monday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 10.00 a.m. – Wednesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>. finishing at 5.00 p.m. Praise and worship/ Confession/ Mass /Word of God /Eucharistic Adoration/Healing Service/One to One prayer. Total cost including accommodation and food, €225 p.p. Further information: Dinto @ 089 2777229 or Alex @ 0879520150.  
**URGENT IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE:** Appeal for blood donations due to low stock have an unscheduled clinic this Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June in - **The Dome, Semple Stadium** from **11.50am - 3.10pm**. New donors are always welcome. In this one-off circumstance, appointment are not necessary and walk-ins are welcome.  
**NEWLY BAPTISED:** \*Desmond John Dorney, Castle Park. \*Isaac Martin O'Callaghan, Cathedral Street.  
**RECENTLY DECEASED:** †Tom Kelly, Coolcree, Two-Mile-Borris. †Margaret (Peggy) Ryan, née Buckley, Mount George, Borrisoleigh.  
*May They Rest In Peace*

" Brothers, sisters... I speak to you, especially to those who no longer believe, no longer hope, no longer pray, because they think God has left. To those who are fed up with scandals, with misused power, with the silence of a Church that sometimes seems more like a palace than a home. I, too, was angry with God. I, too, saw good people die, children suffer, grandparents cry without medicine. And yes... there were days when I prayed and only felt an echo. But then I discovered something: God doesn't shout. God whispers. And sometimes He whispers from the mud, from pain, from a grandmother who feeds you without having anything. I don't come to offer you perfect faith. I come to tell you that faith is a walk with stones, puddles, and unexpected hugs. I'm not asking you to believe in everything. I'm asking you not to close the door. Give a chance to the God who waits for you without judgment. I'm just a priest who saw God in the smile of a woman who lost her son... and yet she cooked for others. That changed me. So if you're broken, if you don't believe, if you're tired of the lies... come anyway. With your anger, your doubt, your dirty backpack. No one here will ask you for a VIP card. Because this Church, as long as I breathe, will be a home for the homeless, and a rest for the weary. God doesn't need soldiers. He needs brothers and sisters. And you, yes, you... are one of them."

*Quote from Pope Leo XIV.*