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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.

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CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION: "RAISE THE ROOF" LOTTO INITIATIVE Weekly Lotto Draw Results Oct 9th, 2025:

Winning Numbers: 1;11; 23; 24. The Jackpot was not won this week.

Cash Prize of €50 to the weekly lucky Winner.

Next Draw: Oct 16th, 2025. Jackpot: €11,750.00.

Since the Lotto commenced it has raised  $\mathfrak{C298,741.00}$ . The lotto has assisted immensely in reaching  $\mathfrak{C}1$  million of the  $\mathfrak{C}2.5$  million required for us to commence the Reroofing of our Cathedral.

€6,390 received in Direct Donations, July – September 2025. Our objective is to have all the necessary works to this magnificent building completed in time for the 150th anniversary of the Cathedral's construction in 2029.

Thank you most sincerely for your support to the Cathedral Reroofing Project.

#### 'IN OUR HANDS: PRESERVING OUR CATHEDRAL'

We have now commenced Phase 2 of our fundraising campaign which we hope will get us to the magic figure of €2.5 million. "In Our Hands: Preserving Our Cathedral" is a fundraising campaign that we hope will encourage people, near and far, to support the reroofing project by donating towards the cost of the slates. Information brochures will be distributed to all houses and parishes over the next few weeks. Please help with this distribution of brochures in our parish-call in or contact the Parish Office this week – we really need your help! Parish Centre: 050422229/0858819575 Email: parishcentre@thurlesparish.ie

**WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION:** We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - €4,465.00 received.

**OCTOBER CLERGY COLLLECTION:** Jim & Vincent say "thank you" to all who supported this Collection.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** October 19<sup>th</sup>. Theme: *Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples*". When we give, we are not simply making a donation—we are participating in a spiritual and missionary act of love, sustaining the Church where it cannot yet sustain itself. And when we pray for the missions, especially during World Mission Month, we are united with those bringing Christ's hope to the peripheries of the world. Envelopes are available at the back of both Churches.

**'WHY SUNDAY MATTERS':** Reflections on the Sunday Mass continues with the second of three nights on Tuesday, Oct 14th @ 7.30pm in Lámh Chúnta, Bóthar na Naomh. All are welcome.

**THURLES YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:** A prayer space for teenagers (secondary school age) taking place 1st/3rd Friday of every month. Beginning in the Cathedral @ 3.30pm on Friday 17th October. Leaders: Fr Vincent & Caitriona. All are welcome.

**OCTOBER ROSARY:** The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited on Saturdays at 3.00 p.m. in Bóthar na Naomh Church. All Welcome.

**HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE:** Annual Church of Ireland Harvest Thanksgiving Service in St. Mary`s Church, Mary`s Avenue, Thurles on **Sunday October 12**<sup>th</sup> **at 7.00 p.m.** The preacher will be Mr Richard Codd, Diocesan Reader. All are welcome.

**BIODIVERSITY PLAN FOR BÓTHAR NA NAOMH:** The Bishop's Conference of Ireland have agreed that 30% of Church grounds should be given over to native Biodiversity. To achieve this goal in Thurles there will be a **Public Meeting** in Lámh Chúnta **Thursday, 16th October at 7:45 p.m.** We hope to draw up a biodiversity plan that will be put into action in the coming months. Please come and have your say on the night and hopefully stay involved in the work as it develops. All are welcome.

PRAYERS FOR THE PRE-SYNODAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN IRELAND: All Catholics are invited to pray for a special gathering that will take place in Kilkenny on 18 Oct., called a *Pre-Synodal Assembly of the Catholic Church in Ireland.* A preparatory document, entitled *Baptised and Sent* will be the basis for discussion at this gathering, and for the next stage of the journey of renewal. You are invited to read this document by visiting <a href="https://www.synod.ie/baptised-and-sent-preparatory-document-available-now/">www.synod.ie/baptised-and-sent-preparatory-document-available-now/</a>

**ANAM CARA**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, Monthly Parent Support Evening Wed. Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Horse and Jockey Hotel. Free event open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance.

**OUR LADYS TEMPLEMORE:** Present 'Shrek the Musical' on Oct 15<sup>th</sup>, 16th & 17th. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. show starts at 8:00 p.m. Booking online through Gr8 Events.

**RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN FOR AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA:** Open Night at Thurles Garda Station, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7.30 p.m. for anyone interested in a career in An Garda Síochána.

**THURLES LIBRARY**: FREE Talk by Professor Anne-Marie O'Dwyer, author of the new book, on Tues. 14<sup>th</sup> October @ 6.30 p.m. entitled, 'The Cancer Guide". Booking @ 052-6166131.

**FLOWER ARRANGING CLASSES:** Commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> October @ 7.00 p.m. in Stannix House. Call 087 9384408 to book.

**THURLES BINGO:** Every Wednesday @ 8.00 p.m. in Sarsfield's Centre. All welcome.

**NEWLY BAPTISED:** \*Nina Pippa Maher, Castle Avenue.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Michael (Mick) Doyle, Mitchel Street, formerly Main Street, Urlingford. †Tommy St. John, Cabra. †Patrick (Paddy) Treacy, Cabra Road. †Jackie Cooke, Childers Park. †Mary Lanigan Ryan née O'Dwyer, Main Street, Borrisoleigh.

## May They Rest In Peace.

### SAFEGUARDING MONTH OF OCTOBER:

Pope Francis reminded us that, 'in the Confiteor, we ask forgiveness not only for the wrong we have done, but also for the good we have failed to do'

In the past, the Catholic Church in Ireland failed in its duty to protect children and young people. Church policies have focused on establishing consistent standards to prevent abuse and assist the Church on its journey to learn from the mistakes of the past and ensure that children's safety is a core part of its mission.

Members of our Safeguarding Committee will speak at all Masses next weekend, October 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>.