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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.

CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION: "RAISE THE ROOF"

LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results March 5th:

Winning Numbers: 4, 16, 22, 29. The Jackpot was not won.

Cash Prize of €50 to the Weekly Winner: Larry Doherty, Thurles.

Next Draw: March 12th, 2026; Jackpot: €19,250.00.

The lotto has assisted immensely in reaching the €1.2 million of the €2.5 million required for us to commence the Reroofing of our Cathedral. Thank you!!

'IN OUR HANDS: PRESERVING OUR CATHEDRAL'

Having 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. 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. Please consider supporting the **'Donate a Slate' Campaign** – you can purchase a slate or a bundle of 4 – a symbolic and practical way to help reroof the Cathedral. *Let us preserve our sacred Cathedral, protect its rich history and ensure it continues to inspire for generations to come! Visit www.inourhandsthurles.ie for more information. Thanks to all who have purchased slates since the beginning of Phase 2 Fundraising venture.*

EASTER RAFFLE: Great selection of 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 - €3,740.00 received.

PRAYER & REFLECTION: For all Parish Eucharistic Ministers will take place in the Cathedral, **Thursday March 12th** from 7.45 – 8.30 p.m. We invite you to gather at Our Lady's Altar.

DIOCESAN SERVICES COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the Diocesan Services Collection.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM: The ceremonies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil form one great Paschal celebration. Join us for three Monday nights leading into Easter as we reflect on the readings and symbols of the Easter Triduum. Beginning on Monday, 16th March in Lámh Chunta @ 8pm where we explore Holy Thursday and the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

TROCAIRE BOXES: Available at the back of both Churches.

CATHOLIC MOTHERS IRELAND RETREAT: Day of Spiritual Restoration, St Saviour's Parish Hall, Limerick on Sat. March 14th. Info @ info@catholicmothers.ie

PATRICK FEENEY IN CONCERT: Come and enjoy an Evening with Patrick Feeney on his Gospel Concert Tour **Saturday April 25th in Church of St Joseph & St Brigid, Bóthar na Naomh Church @ 8.00 p.m.** Ticket Donation: €30. Proceeds towards Cathedral Reroofing Appeal. Tickets available from Thurles Parish Centre (0504 22229), Bookworm, Liberty Square (0504 22257) and Holycross Parish Office (0504 43124).

CASHEL & EMLY ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: June 12th – 17th. General information and booking forms from Joe Walsh Tours @ 01 2410800; for **Assisted Pilgrims -Fr. Joe Tynan -087 2225445** or by email at lourdesassistedpilgrims@cashel-emly.ie; anyone wishing to travel as a **Helper** please contact Jacqueline **089 4913351** or email lourdespilgrimage@cashel-emly.ie. **LOURDES SOCIAL TEA DANCE:** Drombane Hall, Friday March 13th, 9.00 p.m. – 12 midnight. Music by Peter Burke. Finger food served.

NO MORE TEARS IN MY EYES: Fr. Brian McKeivitt, O.P. will speak in Littleton Church, Tues. March 10th, 7.00 p.m. about Kathleen Kilbane who lived in an orphanage for 9 years, a sanatorium in Roscommon for 15 months and died of TB at the age of 14. Kathleen was an extraordinary "Witness to Catholic Hope" – an inspiration to the sick and the youth. All welcome.

LEUGH NS TRACTOR, VINTAGE AND MOTORBIKE RUN: Sunday March 8th from Thurles Racecourse. Registration at 11.00 a.m. Run leaving at 12.15 p.m. A Family Fun Day out with a Mini Tractor Run for Tots!!

THURLES ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE: St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, Liberty Square at 2.30. We would love to showcase the best of Thurles, so our theme for 2026 is *"Wearing of the Green"*, and we would encourage all groups/clubs to enter. Information: 087 9774725.

THURLES DISTRICT FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB: Next Meeting Tuesday, March 10th, Order of Malta Hall, Boheravoroon, 8.00 p.m. Garden Talk by Siobhan O'Mahony from Ballylanders, Co. Limerick. Non-members welcome. Admission: €10.

CAMEO CHARITY SHOP: Volunteers urgently needed for three hour shift (once weekly) at Cameo Charity Shop, (near Ely's Centra) Slievenamon Road. If interested call John on 086 2520766.

AFTERNOON TEA: Saturday 14th March from 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Catch up with family or friends in the Dormitory above the shop in Holycross Abbey. €30pp. Book in Holycross Parish Office 0504-43124 or email hbparrishoffice@gmail.com

URSULINE SECONDARY SCHOOL CLASS OF 1976 REUNION: Members of the Ursuline Secondary School Leaving Cert Class 1976 wish all classmates for a Reunion on 12.09.2026 at the Anner Hotel. Please share this with family & friends who were in this year group. Please contact me [@ber.corcoran@btopenworld.com](mailto:ber.corcoran@btopenworld.com) to join our Ursuline 50th Reunion WhatsApp Group.

PURPLE DAY (OR EPILEPSY AWARENESS DAY): Thursday 26th March. Please visit purpleday.org.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Mary Kamhal, née Hickey, Gortataggart, formerly Bohernanave. †Tom Grace, Friar Street. †Maura Molumby, née Purcell, Ikerrin Close, formerly Moyne Road & Lisdonwley, Moyne.

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CAR PARK: We regret to inform you of a number of car break-ins that took place in the grounds of Bóthar na Naomh Church on the evening of February 24th when people were attending a ceremony in the Church. We ask you to be vigilant and not to leave any bags or items on display in your car! Let us encourage one another in our sense of neighbourly responsibility, especially looking after those who are most vulnerable. If you should notice any suspicious activity in the area please alert Thurles Gardai.

"The relationship between a good aesthetic education and the maintenance of a healthy environment cannot be overlooked. By learning to see and appreciate beauty, we learn to reject self-interested pragmatism".

Laudato Si

