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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 May 14th:

Winning Numbers: 11, 27; 28; 29. The Jackpot was not won.

Cash Prize of €50 to the Weekly Winner: Ted O'Dwyer, Thurles.

Next Draw: May 21st, 2026; Jackpot: €3,850.00.

We are deeply grateful to all who have supported to date our fundraising drive for the Cathedral Reroofing Project – we are delighted to inform you that we have exceeded 1.5 million. *Míle Buíochas!!* Onwards and Upwards we continue to go from here le cúnamh Dé.

The lotto has assisted immensely in reaching the €1.5 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.*

VINTAGE COFFEE MORNING: Two-Mile-Borris Transport Museum from 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. on Sunday May 24th. Hosted by **Thurles Lions Club** with all proceeds going to **Cathedral Re-Roofting Project.**

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€4,262.00** received.

FAMILY MASS: We invite you to join us next Saturday, May 23rd, Cathedral at 7.00 p.m. Theme: *Pentecost, the Birthday of the Church.*

PADRE PIO PILGRIMAGE 2026: We are happy to announce that devotees of St. Pio will be welcomed back to Holycross Abbey once again for our National Pilgrimage on **Sunday 31st May.** Ceremonies will begin at 1.30 p.m. with concelebrated Mass at 3.00 p.m. All are welcome.

PRAY FOR LIFE NOVENA: An invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Saturday 23rd May to Sunday 31st May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit www.prayforlife.ie for the daily novena prayers and to sign up for daily reminders.

ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY: Knock Shrine, Saturday 6th June. Bus will leave Thurles, outside Thurles Creamery at 7.30 a.m. For information please contact Marie: 086 1052920.

FIRST COMMUNION: CATHEDRAL:

Saturday May 23rd, 11.00 a.m.: Scoil Ailbhe C.B.S & Presentation Primary.

PLEASE NOTE: No 11.00 a.m. Mass in Bóthar na Naomh Church on Saturday May 23rd.

ANAM CARA, THE ORGANISATION THAT SUPPORTS BEREAVED PARENTS:

Monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 20th May 2026 at 7.30pm in the Horse and Jockey Hotel. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

FILM NIGHT - THE ABBEY COMES ALIVE: Holycross Ballycahill Historical Society is preparing a special event celebrating the story of Holycross Abbey and the people behind its restoration. We will present a unique evening of film, music and local history in Holycross Community Centre on Saturday 23rd May at 8.00 p.m. Tickets €10 on the door (u12s free).

A CELEBRATION OF LIAM LAWTON'S MUSIC: Beloved songs performed by Fellow Artists, Sunday May 24th, 8.00 p.m., St. Mary's Church, Edenderry.

THURLES LIBRARY is delighted to host **'The Wave Trio'** this Tuesday, May 19th at 3.30 p.m. as part of our Bealtaine Festival. The trio are: Anthony Condron on violin; Carol Johnson on viola; and Maggie Davis on cello, playing a mixture of popular & classical music. Booking @ 052 616 6131.

LIMELIGHT: Next fundraiser - Afternoon Tea Sunday May 31st @1.00 p.m.; 3.00 p.m. & 5.00 p.m. in the Encore Studio Space, O'Donovan Rossa Street. €20 per person. Pre-booking essential. Email helo@limelighttheatricals.com Come enjoy the tasty treats made by our own members.



QR CODE THURLES PARISH

This QR Code when scanned will bring you directly to the Cashel & Emly Diocesan Website where you can make a Donation to the Cathedral Reroofing Project or to Parish Funds.

DONA DONATE: You may have noticed we have installed a Bank Card Tap Machine to the left, inside the main door of the Cathedral. This is to facilitate anyone who would like to donate to the Cathedral Reroofing Project. This donation will go directly into the Cathedral Reroofing Project. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank You.

MAY – MARY'S MONTH

"If you ever feel distressed during your day, call upon our Lady, just say this simple prayer:

'Mary, Mother of Jesus, please be a mother to me now.'

I must admit, this prayer has never failed me." - *Blessed Mother Teresa*

MAY PROCESSION: Thanks and appreciation to all involved in our May Procession last Wednesday evening in Loughtagalla Park – a beautiful prayerful gathering.

MAY ROSARY: The Rosary will be recited each evening during the month of May at Bóthar na Naomh Grotto at 6.00 p.m. All welcome.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Annie May Loughnane Bourke, Rosemount.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Seamus Purcell, London formerly The Derheen †Derek Dee, Kickham Street & Clonmel. †Sean Carroll, Garrynamona, Ballycahill & Knockeen, Thurles. †Geraldine Molumby, née Killackey, Clonmel formerly Thurles.

"We are faced not with two separate crises, one environmental and the other social, but rather with one complex crisis which is both social and environmental." *Laudato Si*