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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.

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CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION: "RAISE THE ROOF"

LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results July 23rd:

Winning Numbers 1; 2; 3; 30. The Jackpot was not won.

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

Next Draw: July 30th; Jackpot: €7,475.

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!*

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. 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.*

ART EXHIBITION: Cabra Wetlands, August 7th, 8th & 9th. Artists: Mary Finn & Friends. Profits to Thurles Cathedral Reroofing Project.

GOLF CLASSIC: Tuesday August 18 – Friday August 21st. **First ever Cashel & Emly Archdiocese Inter-Parish Golf Championship and Co. Tipperary Inter-Parish Golf Championship** (Co. Tipperary Golf Championship is open to all parishes in Tipperary which includes parishes in the dioceses of Killaloe & Waterford. For Booking contact: William @ 086 3797881 or email thurleslionsgolfclassic@gmail.com Play for your parish! **Organised by Thurles Lions Club – all proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Project.**

MONSTER METAL SCRAP COLLECTION FUNDRAISER: Thurles Mart, Friday August 28th & Saturday August 29th. All types of Metal accepted. **ALL PROCEEDS TO THE CATHEDRAL REROOFING FUND PROJECT.**

SONGS OF HOPE & INSPIRATION: Come along and enjoy a musical evening with Des Willoughby, Louise Morrissey, Marc Roberts & Clodagh Lawlor – Cathedral of the Assumption, Friday October 2nd. Doors open 7.00 p.m. Concert starts 8.00 p.m. Ticket Donation: €35 – now available from Parish Office (0504 -22229); Bookworm (0504 22257) & Holycross Abbey Shop (0504-43124).

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - €4,293.00 received.

AUGUST CLERGY COLLECTION: Next weekend, August 1st/2nd (White Envelope: 02-Aug-26). The money collected in each parish goes to a central diocesan fund from which all the priests are paid. Jim & Vincent say "thank you" for your continued support on behalf of the Priests of the Archdiocese.

CHAPLET OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD & HOLY ROSARY: Sunday, July 26th, 3.30 p.m., Cathedral. All welcome.

ANNUAL NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE: Knock Shrine, this Sunday, July 26th. Celebrating the 6th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Mass at 2.30 p.m. with the anointing of the sick. Chief Celebrant: Archbishop Eamon Martin. A day of grace and blessing for the whole family.

CASHEL & EMLY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Irelands National Eucharistic & Marian Shrine Knock, **Sunday 2nd August** led by Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly. The Pilgrimage commences at 2.00 p.m. with Rosary, 2.30 p.m. Anointing of the sick, 3.00 p.m. Concelebrated Mass followed by Eucharistic Blessing, Rosary Procession to the Shrine (weather permitting) and Blessing of Religious Objects. Sacred Music on the day will be led by Cashel & Emly Diocesan Choir. We look forward to welcoming *Pobal Ailbhe* to Knock Shrine on our Diocesan Day. **Bus from Cathedral at 8.00 a.m.; Bóthar na Naomh Church 8.10 a.m., Templemore 8.30 a.m. Booking & Info from Noreen @ 087 6663243.**

ONE-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGHDERG: Tuesday 18th August. Bus from the Diocese starting in Tipperary Town on Monday 17th August going via Knock for attendance at the Novena, staying overnight in Bundoran for evening meal, B&B, travelling to Loughderg on Tuesday morning, leaving Loughderg around 4.00 p.m. for our journey home. For details please contact Bridget O'Dea at 0866792754 or Fr Martin Murphy at 0863868877.

ANNUAL FENNOR MASS: Fennor Graveyard, Gortnahoe, Tuesday 28th July at 7.30pm.

MARY'S MEALS - TIPPERARY BRANCH: As part of a National Fundraiser (7th-15th August) to raise funds and awareness for the global school feeding charity, Mary's Meals, we are cycling 150k around Lough Derg, Swimming 10k in Lough Derg and walking from Thurles to Knock. Our collectors will be in Thurles (7th), Roscrea (8th) and Cashel (10th). 11 cents purchases a meal while €22 feeds a child one meal a day for a full academic year. 97% of all money raised reaches the front line. John Egan 087 8158720, Seamus Bourke 086 6030597.

LIMELIGHT THEATRICALS: Presents **"Jekyll & Hyde The Musical"** from Wed. July 29th – Sat. August 1st. Tickets available from The Source Box Office @ 0504 90264 or www.thesourceartcentre.ie

CABRAGH WETLANDS: Join us for the celebration of Lughnasa, Harvest Festival on Friday July 31st at 8.00 p.m. All are welcome.

"INSIGHTS INTO DEMENTIA – INFORMING AND EMPOWERING FAMILY CARERS": 7-week face-to-face course offers valuable information, practical guidance, and emotional support for those caring for a family member or friend living with dementia. Course will take place **Anner Hotel, each Wednesdays, Sept. 2nd – October 14th) Time: 7:00pm – 9:30pm.** If interested please contact us at familycarertraining@alzheimer.ie.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Margaret Killackey, Willowmere Drive. †Patrick (Patsy) Ryan, Mullaunbrack. †Margaret (Peggy) Buggle, née Bracken, Lucan, Co. Dublin formerly Littleton.

"For human beings to destroy the biological diversity of God's creation; for human beings to degrade the integrity of the earth by causing changes to its climate, by stripping the earth of its natural forests or destroying its wetlands; for human beings to contaminate earth's waters, its land, its air, and its life ---- these are sins." *Laudato Si*