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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 Oct 22nd:

Winning Numbers 2; 12; 19; 28. The Jackpot was not won.

Cash Prize of €50 to the lucky weekly winner.

Next Draw: October 29th - Jackpot: €11,950.

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 now have exceeded 1.8 million!! A big *Míle Buíochas* to all who are supporting this project.

The lotto has assisted immensely in reaching the €1.8 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.*

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - €4,450.00 received.

POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD - CALLING ALL 16-18-YEAR-OLDS: Make a difference in your local parish and school community through the **Pope John Paul II Award**. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet others, develop your skills and put your faith into action. Information: **Fiona, Youth Coordinator**, at youth@cashel-emly.ie before **31 October**.

THE CHOSEN: Join us for Season 5 of the award-winning mini-series on the life of Jesus. Season 5 continuing in Lámh Chúnta, **Monday November 2nd at 7.30 p.m. The Chosen will not take place Bank Holiday Monday, October 26th.**

MISSION SUNDAY MASS – LIVE BROADCAST BY RTE:

Thurles Parish Pastoral Team wish to convey a big *'Thank You'* to all involved in *organising and participating in the 11.00 a.m. Mass last Sunday*. Special thanks to the Choir, Readers, Altar Servers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Offertory Processors and Collectors. Well done to the Sacristans, Stewards, Ushers, Flower Arrangers, Cleaning Group, Office Staff, & also the Hospitality Team for looking after everyone in the Parish Centre before and after Mass.

Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the Annual Missions' Collection.

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS: HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION - SUNDAY NOV 1ST: Usual Sunday Masses: Cathedral: Saturday Vigil: 7.00 p.m.; Sunday: 11.00 a.m.; Bóthar Na Naomh Church: Sunday 9.30 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.

ALL SOULS DAY – MONDAY NOV. 2ND: Please note additional Mass in Bóthar na Naomh Church at 7.00 p.m. Monday.

MASSES FOR THE HOLY SOULS will be offered at the weekday and weekend Masses throughout the month of November. **There will be an additional Mass on Friday evenings in the Cathedral at 7.00 p.m. for November.** November Envelopes are available at back of both Churches and in the Parish Office. Completed Lists can be placed in the Boxes provided in either Church or the Parish Centre.

INDULGENCES: See Church Notice Boards.

MEMORIAL LIGHTS: Available at either Sacristy or Parish Centre for those who wish to light a candle in memory of their loved ones. **Cost: €4.**

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES: Cathedral Saturday November 7th @ 7.00 p.m. All those whose funerals took place in the Cathedral and Bóthar na Naomh Church in the past year will be remembered during this Mass. **Guest Speaker: Niamh McCann, Ballyhaderreen, Co. Mayo**, who lost her son, C.J. in October 2023, following a long battle with brain cancer, will share her journey through grief and loss.

CEMETERY SUNDAY: November 8th – We will visit our Parish Cemeteries to pray for our deceased loved ones beginning with **St. Patrick's Cemetery 2.30 p.m.; Relig Brid 3.00 p.m.; Killinan 3.15 p.m.; Rahealty 3.15 p.m.; Old Shyan 3.15 p.m. & St. Mary's 3.30 p.m.**

ANNUAL NOVEMBER MASSES: An invitation to clubs, groups, organisations who wish to have their Annual November Mass for Deceased Members - are very welcome to arrange this Mass to be celebrated in either of our Churches. Please contact Parish Office.

BLOOD DONORS CLINIC: Semple Stadium Tues. 27th, Wed. 28th, Thurs. 29th Oct. 4.50 p.m. – 8.10 p.m. & Sunday 1st Nov. 11.50 a.m. – 3.10 p.m. Phone 1800 222 111 for appointment.

THURLES DRAMA GROUP presents *'One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest'* in The Source Theatre commencing on **Mon. 16th Nov.** The proceeds from the first night of the production will be donated to Thurles Lions Club who have committed to raising a minimum of €50,000 towards the Cathedral of the Assumption Reroofing Fund. Tickets are **€20** each and include a pre-show finger food reception at 7.15 pm. **Tickets available from The Parish Office, Thurles Lions Club members & The Source Theatre.**

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Michael O'Shea, Kyle Terrace, Kickham Street, formerly Cloran, Fethard. Reposing at Hugh Ryan's Funeral Home Sunday from 5.00 – 6.00 p.m. Funeral Mass in Cathedral Monday at 11.00 a.m. followed by Burial in Cloneen Cemetery Drangan. †Sean Ryan, Derrynaflan Drive, Littleton. †Mary Coppinger, née Dunne, Collins Park. †Martin Byrne, Geraldine Terrace, Kickham Street.

SAFEGUARDING MONTH IS OCTOBER: CREATING A SAFE PARISH:

Safeguarding is more than policies and procedures – it is about respecting the dignity, wellbeing and rights of every person. As a parish community, let us continue to be vigilant, caring and supportive of one another. By working together, we can help ensure that everyone who comes through our doors feels safe, valued and welcome.

'Fresh drinking water is an issue of primary importance, since it is indispensable for human life and for supporting terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems. Sources of fresh water are necessary for health care, agriculture and industry. Access to safe, drinkable water is a basic and universal human right.' *Laudato Si*