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**WEEKEND MASS TIMES:**

**Bóthar na Naomh:** Saturday 6.30 p.m.; Sunday: 9.30 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.  
**Cathedral:** Saturday 7.30 p.m.; Sunday 8.30 a.m., 10.30 a.m. & 12 noon.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL:**

WEEKDAYS: 11.30 A.M. – 7.30 P.M.; SUNDAYS: 1.00 P.M. – 7.00 P.M.

**ADVENT 2014:** “*Making a new space for Jesus in our hearts.*”

(*Theme for Advent 2014 in Thurles Parish*)

**EVENING PRAYER: Bóthar na Naomh Church** Sunday 7.00 p.m.

**JESSE TREE:** As we prepare for Christmas this year, we decorate the Jesse tree. We are reminded of the beauty of creation. We thank God for giving us the sun, moon, stars, the earth in its richness, all things that blossom and bear fruit. May our relationship with God grow during this Advent season.

**WELCOME** to a native of Cork, S.M.A. missionary, scripture scholar and Bishop of Killaloe, **Kieran O’Reilly** who will be installed as Archbishop of Cashel and Emly on Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup> 2015.

**FIRST FRIDAY:** Next Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Usual Communion Calls. Evening Mass in Bóthar na Naomh Church @ 6.30 p.m. (preceded by Sacred Heart Confraternity Prayers at 6.15 p.m.).

**HOLY FAMILY CONFRATERNITY MASS:** Every Tuesday, Cathedral @ 7.30p.m. with Holy Family Prayers at 7.15 p.m.

**BOOKING OF ALL MASS INTENTIONS** for Cathedral & Bóthar na Naomh through the Parish Centre (10.00a.m. – 1.30p.m. /2.30p.m. – 5.00p.m.).

**CATHEDRAL CLEANING:** Thanks to all for the great work of cleaning, dusting and polishing in preparation for Advent on last Tuesday evening.

**PEOPLE & PRIESTS;** At our meeting last Thursday, beginning with prayer, we took account of the positive response to our ongoing survey (1/3 complete) of all groups in Thurles and considered the implications of its feedback upon our understanding of parish and pastoral planning into the future. The survey process, which in itself is creating links within parish, will continue with the aim of organising a celebration of the life of Thurles Parish. Our next meeting is on February 26<sup>th</sup> 2015. All welcome.

**FUNERAL HOSPITALITY- BÓTHAR NA NAOMH:** Refreshments are served before and after prayers on the evening of a funeral and before Mass on the day of the funeral. For further information contact Parish Office.

**URSULINE ASSOCIATES;** Advent Mass Monday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> @ 8.00 p.m.

**Offertory Collection November 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> 2014:**  
**Cathedral: €1,768.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,630.00.**

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES:** In order to ensure that Thurles Parish can benefit further from the Charity Tax Refund Scheme we are introducing weekly envelopes for our Offertory Collection in 2015. Parishioners who wish to contribute as heretofore may continue to do so. The new Weekly Offertory Collection envelope will be included in the box of collection envelopes to be delivered to all homes in the Parish before Christmas. *Thanks for all your contributions.*

**INTERCESSION FOR OUR ARCHBISHOP & PRIESTS:** Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Cathedral Sunday Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 3.00 p.m.

**EVENING OF PRAYER & TESTIMONY:** Community Centre Cappawhite, Monday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 7.30p.m. Information: Maura 06275244.

**YOUTH 2000 IRELAND:** Annual Christmas Retreat in Newbridge College, Kildare, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec. Booking @ [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

**SCOIL AILBHE COFFEE MORNING/CAKE SALE:** School Hall Friday December 5<sup>th</sup>, 9.00 a.m. All are very welcome.

**C.B.S. SECONDARY SCHOOL:** Presents *Grease* the musical. This ever popular show should not be missed.... Premier Hall from Thursday Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> - Saturday Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> incl. Curtain up 8.15 p.m. Call to book on 0504-20729.

**THURLES FLOWER CLUB:** Christmas Demonstration by Bertranda Delaney in Anner Hotel, Tuesday Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8.15 p.m. Non-members welcome.

**CABRAGH WETLANDS:** We are delighted to announce the return of our evening of Music, Song and Dance next on Tues. Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>. All are welcome.

**I.C.A. MEETING:** December 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 8.00 p.m. in the Band Hall.

**COMHALTAS THANKS:** To all who supported our Church Gate Collection.

**CLUB FOR DANCING:** Premier Ballroom Sunday Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 9.00 p.m. – 12 midnight. Admission: €8. Music by Dermot Lyons.

**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – PARISH CENTRE:**

Tues. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 11.00 a.m.: Adult Faith Formation Group Meeting;

Tues. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8.30 p.m.: Parents’ Baptism Preparation Meeting.

Wed. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4.00p.m.: Parish Youth Choir.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS – LÁMH CHÚNTA:**

Tues. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8.00p.m.: Scoil Ailbhe First Communion Parents’ Meeting.

Wed. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8.00p.m.: Scoil Ailbhe Confirmation Parents’ Meeting.

**NEWLY BAPTISED:** \*Jack Thomas Nolan, Leugh.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** †Alberta Taylor, Abbey Road. †Paul Witherow, 9 Ballycurrane. †Danny Ryan, Two-Mile Borris, formerly Dovea. †Sean Gannon, Tubbercurry, Co. Sligo. †Finbarr Hennessy, Sunnyside, Ballineen, Co. Cork.