

PARISH CENTRE: 22229/22779; CATHEDRAL PRESBYTERY: 22505

BÓTHAR-NA-NAOMH PRESBYTERY: 22688;

PARISH WEBSITE: www.thurlesparish.ie

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.

DEVOTIONS: Cathedral this Sunday @ 7.00 p.m.

CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to all the children who received their Confirmation in the parish on Saturday and to their parents and teachers. We thank all who participated in our parish-school-home preparation.

FIRST FRIDAY: Next Friday, May 1st. Usual Communion Calls. Usual daily Masses in both Churches with evening Mass in Bóthar na Naomh Church @ 6.30 p.m. (preceded by Sacred Heart Confraternity Prayers at 6.15 p.m.).

THURLES PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Invites you to Mass in Bóthar na Naomh Church in Memory of our recently deceased Loved Ones on Friday May 1st @ 6.30 p.m. with refreshments afterwards in Lámh Chúnta.

HOLY FAMILY CONFRATERNITY: Cathedral every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. with Holy Family Prayers before Mass at 7.15 p.m.

THE MEANING OF MARRIAGE: ‘Marriage is a gift from God between a man and a woman that is open to procreation.’ For further reflections upon the importance of marriage see: **1)** www.thurlesparish.ie/news; **2)** the full text of ‘The Meaning of Marriage’ on catholicbishops.ie. **3)** copies of ‘The Meaning of Marriage’ newsletter which are in churches and on notice boards and **4)** visit www.meaningofmarriage.ie

PEOPLE & PRIESTS: Having received a positive response from our meeting with and survey of the 140 or so active groups in Thurles we are now issuing invitations to a gathering of representatives of all those groups on **Thursday May 7th in L.I.T., Thurles.** Our purpose is to acknowledge life in Thurles and to formulate a vision for Thurles Parish into the future.

VOCATIONS SUNDAY: Ursuline Community welcomes you to join in prayers for Vocations this Sunday @ 3.00 p.m. in the Convent. (Entrance via Brittas Road.)

INTERCESSIONS FOR OUR ARCHBISHOP & PRIESTS: Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Cathedral next Sunday May 3rd @ 3.00 p.m.

DVD OF INSTALLATION CEREMONY: To order please contact Parish Office. Cost: €15.

OUR LADY’S SODALITY: Ursuline Convent, Mon. April 27th. Mass @ 7.30 p.m.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION April 18th & 19th 2015:

Cathedral: €2,341.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,915.00

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – PARISH CENTRE:

Mon. April 27th, 6.30 p.m.: Pastoral Council Development Group;

Mon. April 27th, 8.00 p.m.: People & Priests Strategy Group.

Tues. April 28th, 11.00 a.m.: Adult Faith Formation Group.

Wed. April 29th, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: LÁMH CHÚNTA:

Mon. April 27th, 11.30 a.m.: Parish Liturgy Group.

Fri. May 1st, 7.00 p.m.: Bereavement Support Group Refreshments

ARCHDIOCESE OF CASHEL & EMLY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2015:

June 16 – 21 – 5 nights – Fully inclusive Price €720. Booking Forms available from the Pilgrim Section, Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lower Baggot Street, Dn. 2. Tel: 01 2410811/01 2410810. Pilgrimage Director: Rev. Thomas Hearne, Bohermore, Palmershill, Cashel: Tel: 062 61409.

THANKS: On behalf of our babies, Helen & Seán Gleeson, we, the family, would sincerely like to thank all who became involved and supported recent fundraisers to assist our children with their ongoing medical treatment. Unfortunately, it is impossible to thank everyone individually but please know how grateful we are for your spiritual, emotional and financial support. The kindness and humanity shown to us has been very moving and has been a great strength to us during this difficult time. Thank you so much.

FUNDRAISING CYCLE: Sunday May 10th in aid of Pallottine Missions & Novas Initiatives (Care of Homeless in North Tipperary). 100km @ 10.00 a.m.; 50 km @ 11.00 a.m. and 25 km at 12 noon. Information: 0504 21202

SCOIL AILBHE FUN RUN/WALK: Friday May 15th. Walk starts at 6.30 p.m. with the run beginning at 7.00 p.m. Registration at 5.30 p.m. in the school. There will be plenty of refreshments available afterwards. Looking forward to meeting you there!

PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL - CYCLE AGAINST SUICIDE: “It’s ok not to be ok, and it’s absolutely ok to ask for help”. Why not don your orange colours and help the students of Thurles line the streets of our town to welcome Ireland’s cyclists! (Dunne’s roundabout, Sliabh na mBan Road, Liberty Square, Cathedral Street from 12.45 – 1.15 p.m.)

SUCCESSFUL AGEING PRESENTS: May Tea Dance, Wednesday May 6th, Anner Hotel, 2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. Music & Refreshments provided free of charge. Information from Evelyn @ 087 9774725.

SEMINAR ON THE RIVER SUIR: Hosted by TEN (Tipperary Environmental Network) at Cabragh Wetlands Trust on Wednesday April 29th, 7.00 p.m. – 10.00 p.m. All welcome. Further details @ 0504 43879.

TABLE QUIZ: In aid of GROW MENTAL HEALTH, Mackeys Bar, Bohernanave on Friday May 1st at 9.00 p.m. sharp ASSOCIATION – €20.00 per table. Spot Prizes and Refreshments on the night. Your support would be greatly appreciated.