

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.

Forgiveness

Reflection: *“Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?” She said, “No one sir.” And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again.”* (Jn 8: 10-11)

It is necessary to meet mercy; it is necessary for my conversion, for my life as a Christian. We need to be forgiven, we need to be looked upon with mercy, we need to be known as we are, we need to be loved in our sins. One way we meet this mercy is in the sacraments of our Church which enable us to experience the mercy of God. The door of Mercy is always open.

Action: Consider going to confession this week.

Lenten Theme: *‘BE people of Mercy’.*

EVENING PRAYER during Lent in Bóthar na Naomh Church, Sunday @ 7.00 p.m.

MASS TIMES FOR LENT 2016: Usual Daily Mass Times.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY, THURSDAY MARCH 17th – MASS TIMES:

Cathedral: Wednesday: 7.30p.m.; Thursday: 8.30a.m.; 10.30a.m.; 12 noon.

Bóthar na Naomh: Wednesday: 6.30p.m.; Thursday 9.30a.m. & 11.30a.m.

DIOCESAN NEEDS APPEAL COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this collection. Target: **€30,828.00**. Amount received: **€4,630.00**.

URSULINE ASSOCIATES: Meeting Monday 14th March @ 8.00p.m.

ECO TIP: In his letter to the world, Laudato Si, Pope Francis asks us to be conscious of our impact on the planet. As we come to the end of National Tree Week we ask you to plant a tree. There are trees for every size of garden. Trees help reduce global warming.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE Thur. March 17th @ 4.00p.m. from Abbey Road. The committee are inviting entrants to mark the occasion in a special commemorative fashion celebrating 2016 as it is the Centenary Year of the 1916 Easter Rising.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – PARISH CENTRE

Tues. March 15th, 11.00 a.m.: Adult Faith Formation Group;

Tues. March 15th, 8.30 p.m.: Parents Baptism Preparation Meeting.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS – LÁMH CHÚNTA

Mon. March 14th, 7.30p.m.: *‘Grow in Love’* Parents Programme.

Tues. March 15th, 8.00 p.m.: Core Group Meeting.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION March 5th & 6th 2016:

Cathedral: €2,133.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,943.00.

ACCORD: Catholic Marriage Counselling Service. Marriage not working? We will listen. Call Confidential Service @ 0504 22279.

EVITA OPENS IN THE PREMIER HALL: Thurles Musical Society will open with the hit show Evita on Tuesday evening next in The Premier Hall at 8:15pm and the show runs until Saturday 19th. With over eighty on stage, there are many parishioners involved in this show and tickets can be booked at Hickey's Pharmacy, Liberty Square, Thurles at 085 2868726. Don't miss this chance to see a fabulous musical locally.

HORSE & JOCKEY SINGERS present **TIPPERARY ECHOES OF 1916**, a Tipperary commemoration of the 1916 Rising in music, verse, song and story, on Friday March 18th @ 8.00 p.m. sharp, **due to Friday night being sold out please note an extra night, Saturday 19th has been added**, at the Derrynaflan Theatre, Horse & Jockey Hotel. Tickets €15, are available from hotel reception or from Connie O' Keeffe: 087 6667988. Please book early to avoid disappointment. Period costume optional.

“EASTER BONNET FUN WALK” in aid of Suir Haven Cancer Support Centre takes place at Inch Loop, The Ragg on Good Friday March 25th. Registration 11.15 a.m. by voluntary donation. Registration, Parking and Refreshments at Drom & Inch GAA Clubhouse, The Ragg. Adjudication of best Adult bonnet and Child bonnet by distinguished guest. Great prizes!!

VINTAGE, CRAFT & FOOD FAIR: Sun. March 13th, noon – 6.00 p.m., Anner Hotel.

THURLES DISTRICT VINTAGE CLUB: First Tractor/Car run of the new season Sunday March 13th starting from Inch Community Centre, The Ragg. Registration from 11.00 a.m. Refreshments provided. Proceeds to North Tipp Hospice.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT MEETING: Order of Malta Rooms, Wed. March 16th, 11.00 a.m.

CO.TIPPERARY DRAMA FESTIVAL: Continues until March 19th with different plays @ 8.30 p.m. each night, St. Michael's Hall, Holycross. See www.tipperarydrama.ie or phone 086-2575159 for full details.

A NIGHT AT THE DOGS: Thurles Dog Track Saturday March 19th - fundraising event for St. Joseph's College, Borrisoleigh. Tickets €10 from 0504 51215 or at door.

TIPPERARY LIBRARIES MARCH LECTURE: *County Tipperary in 1916*, a lecture in two parts with Des Marnane speaking on South Tipperary and Seán Hogan on North Tipperary, in The Source, Tuesday March 15th @ 7.30 p.m. All are welcome.

CURA: Pregnant? Need to talk? If you are concerned about an unplanned pregnancy and would like to talk to someone, in confidence contact CURA Lo-call 1850 622 626 or 0504 26226 See www.cura.ie for local Centre details.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Jack Micheál Callanan, Moyne Road. *Holly Mary Quigley Ryan, Killahara.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Una Tierney, Leugh. Funeral Mass Sunday, Cathedral @ 12 noon followed by Cremation at the Island Crematorium, Cork on Monday. †Peter McCarthy, Cabra Bridge. †Maurice Leahy, Rathmanna, formerly Killinan. †Tony McCormack, Montreal, Canada, formerly Kickham Street.