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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL:

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

MAY EVENING PRAYER: Cathedral, Sunday @ 7.00 p.m.

YEAR OF MERCY:

The opening of the Jubilee doors also puts before us the opportunity to examine the doors we may need opened. It could be that the doors of our own hearts have been closed to the power of Christ's mercy. Perhaps in our relationships there exist doors that have been closed either in hurt or anger. Now is the time to permit God to open the doors and to allow the power of His healing to enter.

DOOR OF MERCY. CATHEDRAL: "The name of God is mercy" (Pope Francis). The Adult Faith Formation Group is offering a guided pilgrimage tour through the four stations in the Cathedral, with prayers and reflection, **each Friday during May**, in honour of our Blessed Lady: "Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May." It will commence at 10.30 a.m. to precede the 11.00 a.m. Mass. (In the event of a funeral the Pilgrimage will be cancelled on that Friday.)

THE FAMILY CHALLENGE: Thurles Parish invites families to take up *'The Family Challenge'* for the Year of Mercy as outlined on our Parish Website. Year of Mercy Logo Stickers for your home and our Diocesan Year of Mercy Bookmarkers are available as part of *'The Family Challenge'* at our **Parish Office.** For further details upon this invitation please visit our website @ www.thurlesparish.ie

9th WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES DUBLIN 2018: The holding of the Meeting in Ireland will be an occasion to take up the programme of the recent Synod on the Family to strengthen the place of the family in handing on the faith in the face of many challenges. Preparations are in progress and the Meeting will include events taking place throughout the country. A collection to cover the costs of this event will take place at all Masses after Communion next weekend, May 21/22 2016.

FIRST COMMUNION: Sun. May 22nd children from Presentation Primary School will receive their First Holy Communion in the Cathedral @ 10.30 a.m. POLISH MASS: Polska Msza sw. odbedzie sie w niedziele 15 Maja 0 godz 1 p.m. w kaplicy Presentation Convent. Spowiedz sw od godz 12.30 p.m. Polish Mass May 15th, Presentation Convent @ 1.00 p.m. with Confessions at 12.30 p.m.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE; CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION - Sat. May 28th after 7.30 p.m. Mass. All clubs, organisations and societies are invited to participate.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Mon. May 16th, 4.00 p.m.: Bereavement Support Group.

Tues. May 17th, 6.00 p.m.: Parish Finance Committee Meeting; Tues. May 17th, 8.30 p.m.: Parents' Baptism Preparation Meeting.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: LÁMH CHÚNTA:

Tues. May 17th, 8.00 p.m.: People & Priests Group. Wed. May 18th, 8.00 p.m.: Core Group Meeting.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION May 7th & 8th 2016: Cathedral: €2,118.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,275.00.

MAY ROSARY: Bóthar na Naomh Grotto, Mon. Wed. & Fri. @ 5.00p.m. Our Lady's Grotto Leugh, every evening @ 7.30 p.m.

URSULINE ASSOCIATES: Meeting Monday May 16th @ 8.00 p.m.

COLLECTION FOR UKRAINIAN PEOPLE: Sincere thanks to all who generously contributed to this appeal. **€6,622.00** was collected.

CASHEL & EMLY WORLD YOUTH DAY: Four places available for World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland, July 25th – August 1st. Information: Fr. Dominic @ 085 1111320. **YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL**: July 7th – 10th 2016, Cistercian College, Roscrea for young people aged 16 – 35. Free buses available. Information @ www.youth2000.ie or phone 01 6753690.

LATIN MASS: Holycross Abbey, Saturday May 21st @ 2.00 p.m. All welcome.

ANAM CARA: Monthly Parent Evening Monday May 16th @ 7.30 p.m., Horse & Jockey Hotel. Further information, or to order a free copy of Anam Cara's <u>Information Pack for Bereaved Parents</u>, please see our website at <u>www.anamcara.ie</u>, email us at <u>info@anamcara.ie</u> or call 01 404 5378.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Presentation Secondary School on winning the Best Overall School Musical in Ireland at the Bord Gáis Energy Student Theatre Awards! **LEUGH NS CHARITY CONCERT**: Third - Sixth Class children will hold a Charity Concert on Thursday May 19th @ 8.00 p.m. in The Dome. Bucket Collection in aid of Réalta - our Autistic Unit on the night. FREE RAFFLE!

RAHEALTY N.S. FUN RUN/WALK: Sunday May 29th. Registration from 9.30 a.m. Race commences from Rahealty N.S. at 11.00 a.m. Cash prizes, spot prizes, refreshments. Support greatly appreciated.

THURLES DAY CARE CENTRE: **Fund Raising Dance**, Anner Hotel, Sunday May 22nd, 3.00 – 6.00 p.m. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom, Sunday May 15th, 9.00 – midnight. Music by "Montana".

ACTIVE RETIREMENT: Please note Meeting Wednesday May 18th is cancelled.

HORSE & JOCKEY SINGERS – SUMMER VARIETY CONCERT: Horse & Jockey Hotel, Friday June, 3rd @ 8.00 p.m. Proceeds to Thurles Order of Malta. The Order of Malta is a major provider of first-aid training, ambulance transport, community and elderly care services. A great night's entertainment is guaranteed with many local performers featured. Tickets (€15) available from the hotel reception or Connie @ 087-6667988.Book early to avoid disappointment.

NCBI (National Council for Blind Ireland), Kickham Street, needs you! Good quality working clothing items needed. If you are free for a few hours why not volunteer?

FAMILY CARES IRELAND are providing the QQI Level 5 Healthcare award training in the Thurles/Nenagh Area in June 2016. This training is delivered by our qualified tutors who have nursing backgrounds. More information @ 057 9370221.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Séimí Walsh, Willowmere Drive.

RECENTLY DECEASED: & Bridget (Bridie) McGuire, née Kealy, Óisín Terrace, Kickham Street. Funeral Mass this Sunday, Cathedral @ 12 noon. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. & James Palmer, Nottingham, England formerly Kennedy Park. & Seamus Foley, Galmore, Pallasgreen, Co. Limerick. & Sr. Clare Stakelum, Daughters of Charity, Mt. Prospect, Dublin formerly Ballinahow.