

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, Sunday @ 7.00 p.m.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PRIESTS COLLECTION: This fund is used to provide priests with in-service training so that they can continue to minister effectively and work with people to enhance the life of our parish communities throughout the diocese. This collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, July 2nd/3rd (Blue Envelope: 3-Jul-2016). **Target: €3,468.15.**

THE MISSIONARY SISTERS SERVANTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT have written to express sincere thanks to all who contributed to their mission appeal last weekend - **€5,705.00** was collected.

FIRST FRIDAY: Next Friday, July 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.).

HOLY FAMILY CONFRATERNITY: Prayers & Mass in Cathedral every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.

YEAR OF MERCY:

Reflection: ‘But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven;’ (Mt 5:44-45)

Forgiving others is difficult at times because we do not have God’s limitless mercy and compassion. But Jesus teaches that we should forgive as God forgives, relying on him to help us show others the mercy of God.

Action: Let go of any grudge we may have. Forgiveness transforms hearts & lives.

CASHEL & EMLY DIOCESAN YEAR OF MERCY CELEBRATION: Glenstal Abbey, Murroe this Sunday, June 26th at 4.15 p.m. *Scripture... Song... Reflection... Confessions.* All welcome! **Please note change of time.**

HOLY YEAR OF MERCY ON LOUGH DERG: Three day Pilgrimage Fri. July 8th – Sunday July 10th. One Day Retreat August 21st. For further details on the travel arrangements contact: Fr. Joe Tynan (Littleton) @ 087 2225445 or Fr. Martin Murphy (Drom) @ 086 3868877. Pope Francis has placed pilgrimage at the heart of the Jubilee Year – come on pilgrimage to Lough Derg – a holy island of deep pastoral care, mercy and renewal.

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

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. June 28th, 8.00 p.m.: Annual Cemetery Mass Planning Committee.

ROSEMOUNT OPEN AIR MASS: Thurs. June 30th @ 7.30 p.m. in Rosemount in the green space enclosed by no’s 215-226. In case of bad weather we will use the facilities of Sunny Side, Day-Care & Montessori, 225/226 Rosemount, by kind permission.

KILLINAN CEMETERY ANNUAL MASS: Friday July 8th @ 8.00p.m. All welcome.

JOURNEY INTO AWARENESS: One day workshop in **Glenstal Abbey**, Murroe, Co. Limerick, **July 9th**. An inspirational journey of self-discovery, creative visualization and positive affirmation, based on the works of Anthony de Mello and Jon Kabat-Zinn. Tel 061-367010 • Mobile 085-7032203.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL: Cistercian College Roscrea from Thurs. July 7th – Sun. July 10th. For young people aged 16 – 35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people, with over 1,200 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. Donations only. Free buses available from all around Ireland. Information: www.youth2000.ie / 01 6753690.

PRO-LIFE RALLY in support of the right to life of the unborn child will be held in Belfast on Saturday July 2nd @ 2.00 p.m. Train departs Thurles railway station at 7.00 a.m. Further details contact 086 3150790. All welcome to attend.

SUCCESSFUL AGEING THURLES: Coffee morning at Costcutters, Friar St. on Tuesday June 28th from 9.00 a.m. Please support.

PROGRESSIVE 25 DRIVE: Leugh Community Centre Wednesday June 29th @ 8.30p.m. All are welcome.

THURLES SPORTS FEST: July 1st - July 9th 2016. Sports Fest presents The Garth Brooks Experience Live @ The Premier Hall on Saturday July 9th. Doors @ 9.00 p.m. Tickets available on the door or from Bookworm.

EAMON AN CHNOIC WALK in memory of Una Tierney, R.I.P., Sunday July 3rd in Upperchurch Village. Registration from 1.30 p.m.: Adults €10; Students €5. Walk at 2.00 p.m. Refreshments in community centre after walk. Proceeds collected being donated to Marymount Hospice Cork. All are welcome.

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND: Are providing the QQI Level 5 Care Skills Module in Thurles towards the end of July 2016. If interested please contact the training unit on 057 9370221.

THE REAL REASONS FOR AUTISTIC BEHAVIOUR: One Day Course Saturday July 2nd, Cabragh Wetlands. Phone Rosemarie @ 087 9419081 or Jean @ 087 6177599 for further information.

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom this Sunday, June 26th, 9.00 p.m. – midnight. Music by Peter Burke.

FOUND: Ladies purse with sum of money in Kickham Street area last Monday. Ladies silver watch on bridge last Wednesday. Contact Parish Office for details.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION JUNE 18th & 19th 2016:

Cathedral: €2,167.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,755.00.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Shea Joseph Fitzgerald, Cabragh Court. *Fiachra Wayne McLeish, Beechwood Lawns. *Odhran Conlon, Dublin.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Maureen Connors, The Bungalow, Sarsfield Street. †Fr. James Foley, Scotland, formerly Ballycahill.