

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 every Sunday @ 7.00 p.m.

ST.PATRICK'S COLLEGE & MARY IMMACULATE COLLEGE, LIMERICK: On 22nd July 2016 St. Patrick's College, Thurles, was formerly incorporated into Mary Immaculate College of Education, Limerick. See Church Notice Boards displaying "Statement from the Board of Trustees of St. Patrick's College, Thurles to the priests and faithful of the Archdiocese of Cashel and Emlý" and visit www.stpatrickcollege.ie for further details.

YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH: Are you interested in getting to know more about your Catholic faith? Would you like to be part of a study group upon the Catechism of the Catholic Church? If so, please contact the Parish Office.

FIRST FRIDAY: Next Friday, September 2nd. 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.).

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR HIS HOLINESS, POPE FRANCIS (PETER'S PENCE): will be taken up at all Masses next weekend (4-Sep-16). Target for Thurles €5,394.90. As always we appreciate your generosity.

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA: Annual National Pilgrimage at Holycross Abbey, Sunday August 28th @ 2.30 p.m. Rosary Procession, Stations of the Cross, Anointing of the sick & concluding with Mass at 4.00 p.m.

INVITATION TO A UNIQUE DAY CONFERENCE: Saturday Oct. 22nd, 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. upon "The Joy of Love, Amoris Laetitia and the World Meeting of Families in Ireland 2018" incorporating the launch of the World Meeting of Families 2018 in Ireland and an opportunity to meet and engage with different movements and associations: St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra, Dublin 9, a working in-service day for all of us preparing for the journeys leading to and towards participating in the World Meeting of Families, 2018. Admission free. For further information and Booking Forms please contact Parish Office.

YEAR OF MERCY:

Mercy is not just an act of clemency for those who have done wrong. It is a way of life that is manifested in the compassion, love and joy we see that God has for all creation.

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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION August 20th & 21st:

Cathedral: €2,243.00; **Bóthar na Naomh:** €1,806.00.

GOING TO UCC THIS YEAR: Pop into the chaplaincy on College Road for a cuppa! The chaplaincy is a vibrant and warm community, where you can meet new friends, unwind in between classes and just be yourself. Our full time chaplains are always available to listen, provide guidance and help you on your university journey. At the Honan Chapel we welcome you to daily and Sunday Mass, prayer services, or for some quiet time on your own.

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND are providing the QQI Level Care Skills module in Thurles beginning September 9th 2016 – 1 day a week for five weeks. Patient Moving and Handling training included. This is one of the mandatory modules of the Full Healthcare Award. To express an interest kindly contact 057 9370227.

RTA TRIP TO BELFAST & ARMAGH: From September 6th – 9th 2016, staying at the Ramada Hotel, Drogheda. Cost €249 pp sharing. Contact Anne 086 2249464.

COFFEE MORNING THANKS: Sheppard Opticians & Peter McKay Heart Fund would like to sincerely thank all those who helped to make the day such a success.

TIPPERARY VOLUNTEER CENTRE: Volunteer Communications and Media Officer wanted in Thurles for four hours per week. Call Danielle on 086 0481743 or visit www.volunteertipperary.ie for further information.

THURLES CEILI & SET CLUB: Resumes Thursday September 1st @ 8.00p.m. Ceili Sunday September 4th Band Hall @ 8.00p.m. with Triskell Ceili Band!

THURLES SILVER BAND: Practice resumes Monday September 5th @ 7.00p.m.

SOCIAL DANCE CLASSES: Commence in the Premier Ballroom, Tuesday September 6th @ 8.20p.m. sharp. €25 for the six weeks course or €5 a night for six weeks. Quickstep, Waltz, Foxtrot, Novelty. Over 18s.

COOP SUPPORT IRELAND: New support group meeting Wed. Sept. 14th Order of Malta Hall, Thurles @ 7.00p.m. Contact Kathleen @ 087 1335581 for further info.

CAMINO DE SANTIAGO PILGRIMAGE WALK: El Acebo to Sarria September 29th – October 8th 2016 escorted by Fr. Oliver Maher & Fr. Joe Tynan. Return flights from Dublin to Santiago de Compostela, 9 nights hotel accommodation, dinner, bed and breakfast. Contact Kavanagh Travel 056 8831189 or visit www.kavanaghtravel.com.

N.C.B.I. (NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE BLIND): Donations of clothes, bric-a-brac, etc. greatly appreciated. Also why not volunteer a couple of hours a week to the N.C.B.I. shop @ Kickham St. Thurles?

40 YEARS CELEBRATION: Quinnsworth, Crazy Prices, Tesco 40 year reunion, Anner Hotel September 2nd 2016. Tickets from Anne Armstrong, Angela Mullins, Ann Kenny, Catherina Mockler, Eileen Stapleton and Tina Loughman. For further details check out Facebook page - Reunion Quinnsworth/Crazy Prices/Tesco Thurles.

TIPPERARY LADIES MINI MARATHON: Thurles September 25th @ 11.00a.m. For further details and online registration visit www.tippminimarathon.ie. Early bird entrance fee €15 up to August 31st, €20 up to September 19th. Spot prizes on the day!

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Thomas Joseph Ryan Jnr., Castle Avenue. *Amelia Nancie Cinta Tobin O'Dwyer, Friar Street.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †John Lyons, 1 Butler Avenue. Funeral Mass this Sunday Cathedral of the Assumption @12 noon. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Philip (Buddie) Purcell, Athnid.