

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.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER: Sunday @ 7.00 p.m. in Bóthar na Naomh Church.

LENTEN GARDEN – A visit to the Cathedral Apse will afford the opportunity to reflect prayerfully on our journey through Lent towards Easter.

EASTER CLERGY COLLECTION; Will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. The money collected in each parish goes to a central diocesan fund from which all the priests are paid. Target: **€161,847.00**. Amount received to date: **€21,836.50** (Purple Envelope: 16-Apr-17). As always we appreciate your generosity.

TROCAIRE: They took branches of palm and went out to receive him, shouting: 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who is coming in the name of the Lord, the king of Israel.'" *John, 12:13*. The palm is a symbol of peace and on this Palm Sunday we pray for the millions of people around the world who are affected by conflict and have had to flee with their families to face an uncertain future. Trócaire is working in many areas of conflict to ensure people have a chance of a better future. We appeal to you to continue supporting the work of Trócaire throughout the developing world. Please submit contents of Trócaire boxes (notes if possible) to Parish Office or sacristies during the week.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES NATIONAL COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this collection. Amount received: €2,641.00.

CATHEDRAL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: As part of our celebration of Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion will be distributed under both species. To facilitate this, Eucharistic Ministers are asked to assemble in the Cathedral at 6.30 p.m.

POLISH MASS: Wednesday April 12th, 7.00 p.m. Confession from 5:30 p.m. in Presentation Convent. Polska Msza Sw. odbedzie sie w srode 12 kwietnia o godz. 19-tej. Spowiedz Sw od godz. 17:30.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS- PARISH CENTRE: Parish Youth Choir on Tuesday April 11th @ 4.00 p.m.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) – THE NEXT STEP: All PPC presentations can be viewed on our parish website (www.thurlesparish.ie) or DVD's of each presentation can be ordered through the Parish Office. A word of thanks to all who attended the presentations and participated in the discussions which has deepened our understanding of the role of a PPC in our parish.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA commences on Good Friday (April 14th). The novena leaflets will be available in the Cathedral and in Bóthar na Naomh Church. The Novena will be recited in the Pallottine College Chapel at 3.00p.m. from Good Friday leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday. All are very welcome to come and pray this powerful prayer honouring the mercy and great love of God.

THURLES GARDEN CLUB: Meeting Tuesday April 11th, Order of Malta Rooms @ 8.15 p.m. Josie Buckley Tipp Garden Centre will attend. All are welcome.

TIPPERARY CYSTIC FIBROSIS IRELAND THANKS: To all who contributed so generously to their annual church gate collection.

THURLES TEXT ALERT REGISTRATION EVENING: Wednesday April 12th in Thurles Order of Malta Centre at 8.00 p.m. Cost is €10 and sign up takes place on the night.

EASTER BONNETT FUN WALK: In aid of Suir Haven Cancer Support Centre on Good Friday April 14th Inch Loop, The Ragg, Thurles. Registration: 11.00am (Voluntary Donations). Registration, Parking & Refreshments at Drom/Inch G.A.A. Clubhouse, The Ragg. Adjudication of best bonnet by distinguished guest.

TWO WEEK THURLES JOB CLUB PROGRAMME: Job Search & Interview Techniques, Online Job searches & Applications @ Kickham Street. Free to all. Start date: Tues. April 18th. Contact Suzanne/ Linda 0504 90579 for further information.

BIG BINGO: Premier Hall Wednesday April 12th @ 8.30p.m.

FOUND: Black Purse in Cathedral, last Saturday, April 1st. Contact Parish Office.

THURLES DISTRICT VINTAGE CLUB TRACTOR & CAR RUN: This Sunday, April 9th from The Ragg, registration from 11.00 a.m. at The Ragg. Refreshments provided, proceeds to Hospice. All welcome.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION April 1st & 2nd 2017:

Cathedral: €2,347.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,810.00.

DEVELOPMENT FUND (Fund raising target: €2.5m)

Total Income to February 28th 2017: €2,140,958.00.

January & February Income:

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Direct Donations	800
Monthly/Weekly Contributions	70
Standing Orders	630
Total January/February Income	1,500
Total Income to December 2016	2,139,458
Total Income to February 2017	2,140,958

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Mrs. Anne Bourke, Mitchel Street. †Sr. Xavier O'Dwyer, Ursuline Sisters, Thurles, formerly Booleen, Bansha. †Declan Corbett, Castlecor, Mallow formerly Monadreen. †Pat Kelly, Oscar Terrace, Kickham Street. †Eddie Kenny, Greenlawn, Borrisoleigh. †Delia Harris, née Cleary, Swansea, Wales. †Billy Hogan, New York, late of Matthew Avenue.