PARISH CENTRE: 22229/22779; CATHEDRAL PRESBYTERY: 22505: BÓTHAR-NA-NAOMH PRESBYTERY: 22688. PARISH WEBSITE: <u>www.thurlesparish.ie</u> 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 this Sunday @ 7.00 p.m. **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**: Congratulations to all the children in the parish who received their First Holy Communion over the last few weeks.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC): Good News, our PPC has been formed and will be commissioned on Pentecost Sunday, June 4th @ the 10.30 a.m. Mass. The members of Thurles PPC at this time are: Noreen Bohan, David Campbell, Marianne Dwyer, Fr Martin Hayes, Fr Gerry Hennessy, Phyllis Kennedy, Frank Macken, Caroline O'Brien, Fr. Tomás O'Connell, Ellie O'Dwyer, Cathy Russell and Fr Vincent Stapleton. With thanks to all who participated in the discussions following the presentations during Lent, the training during April/ May and in particular, the Working Group who prepared the way over the last two years. 'Parish is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a centre of constant missionary outreach.'(Pope Francis).

PARISH CELLS: Have you ever considered attending a *Cell* meeting? Have you wondered what they are all about? We invite you to come along to our end-of-season Joint *Cell* meeting on <u>Tuesday 23rd, at 7.30 p.m.</u> in Lámh Chúnta, Bóthar Na Naomh, where you can meet many of those who participate in the fortnightly *Parish Cell* meeting. Do come along, bring a friend, you will be very welcome.

WORKSHOP ON "LAUDATO SI" – CARE OF THE ENVIRONMENT - organised by the Diocese, concludes at Cabragh Wetlands next Saturday, May 27th from 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. with light lunch provided. All interested in participating are asked to contact the Diocesan Office (0504 21512 or <u>office@cashel/emly.ie</u>).

MAY ROSARY: Leugh Grotto each evening @ 7.30 p.m. Bóthar na Naomh Grotto Mondays & Wednesdays @ 5.00p.m. Fridays in Bóthar Na Naomh Church @ 3.00 p.m.

PARISH CENTRE: Parish Centre will be closed on Friday next, May 26th from 3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.

PALLOTTINE PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Saturday June 3rd. Bus leaving the Pallottine at 8.00a.m. Details contact 0504 21202.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE OF DEVOTEES OF ST. PIO TO HOLYCROSS ABBEY: Sunday May 28th. Devotions begin at 1.30 p.m. with recitation of the Rosary followed by Stations of the Cross, Anointing of the Sick and concelebrated Mass at 3.00 p.m. Please note there will be no 4.00 p.m. Mass in Holycross on that day.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION MAY 13th & 14th 2017: Cathedral: €2,167.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,070.00.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS- LÁMH CHÚNTA:

Tues. May 23rd, 4.00 p.m.: Joint Cell Meeting.

TABLE QUIZ FOR LOURDES PILGRIMAGE FUND: **Friday, May 26th @ 9.00 p.m.** in Noel Ryan's, Parnell St. We ask you to support our young parishioners, Cameron and Gavin who are travelling as Youth Helpers to Lourdes on June 16th 2017.

CASHEL & EMLY LOURDES FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: Social Tea Dance in Cappawhite Resource Centre, Saturday May 27th. Music by: Sam O'Doherty. Dancing from 9.30 p.m. – 12.30 a.m. Admission €10. Tickets available on the door or contact Sean O'Connor 086-8423172 for more info

ECCLESIA DEI – IRELAND: Pilgrimage to Holycross Abbey on Saturday, May 27th commencing with Stations of the Cross @ 1.45 p.m., Mass in the traditional Latin Rite @ 2.30 p.m. Enquiries: 01 8324110.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE: October 7th − 17th, 10 days - €600. Contact Sadie @ 087 6210512 for information and booking.

CANA: Marriage struggling? Finding it difficult? Or just wanting a better relationship? Try the 'Cana Experience': a retreat for couples, July $16^{th} - 22^{nd}$, in Galway. Details: Eugene/Maruska on 085 7330191 or visit <u>www.canaireland.org</u>. More information in the Parish Centre and on the Church notice board.

CONGRATULATIONS: To the Presentation Secondary School for scooping First Prize in the Bord Gáis Energy Student Awards for School Musicals with their production of "Billy Eliot"!

CFR/AED COURSE: One-evening Cardiac First Responder Course for anyone wishing to learn or renew their skills on the Automated External Defibrillator, CPR and choking. National required standard. PHECC certified for 2 years. Anyone whose training has lapsed is urged to renew it immediately. 7.00 p.m., Wed. May 24th, Order of Malta Training Centre, Boheravoroon, Thurles. Book with John on 087 2390 111, 086 3144 126 or <u>thurles@orderofmalta.ie</u>.

THURLES FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB: Annual Day Trip on June 17th. For details contact 087 8358842.

REFRESH THURLES COMMUNITY ESTATES/STREETSCAPE COMPETITION: Taking entries until May 31st. Results on Sept. 1st. Entry forms in the Library and box for entries. Tel: 087 2701689.

SOCIAL DANCING: Every Tuesday Night Premier Hall from 8.00p.m. – 10.00p.m. Beginners are welcome.

COFFEE EVENING & MORNING: In aid of "Mo Chara Animal Rescue" in Sarsfields Social Centre Saturday May 27th after 6.30p.m. Mass & Sunday 28th May after both Masses in Bóthar Na Naomh. All are welcome.

MOYNE ANNUAL OUTING: Athlone from July $8^{\text{th}} - 10^{\text{th}}$. If interested please contact Kay @ 087 4150296, Margaret @ 089 2032508 or Mary @ 0863739750 after 6.00 p.m. Early booking is essential to ensure your place on the trip!

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Esmé Philippa Dunne, Dalcassian Terrace,

Kickham Street. *Isabel Rose Kenehan, Tooreen. *David Edward Skoczylas, Moyne.

RECENTLY DECEASED: [‡]Michael (Mixie) Travers, Boulabeha, Moyne. [‡]Michael O'Brien, London formerly Brittas Road. [‡]Jim Jenson, Albany, New York.