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.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE: The annual Church of Ireland Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held at St. Mary's Church on Sunday September 24th @ 8.00 p.m. Preacher – Rev. Canon Barbara Fryday from Clonmel. All welcome. <u>Please note there will be no devotions in the Cathedral this</u> <u>Sunday Evening.</u>

OCTOBER CLERGY COLLECTION: Will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, Sept.30th/Oct. 1st 2017. The money collected in each parish goes to a central diocesan fund from which all priests in the Diocese are paid. Target this year **€154,140.00**. Amount collected to date **€90,539.50**. (Purple Envelope: 1-Oct-17). As always we appreciate your generosity.

EVENING OF FAREWELL: <u>Fri. Oct. 6th at 8pm, Premier Hall</u>. For a slide show on the night we need photos of the work of the three priests in the parish down the years. If you have any suitable pictures please email same to parishcentre@thurlesparish.ie or by hand to the Parish Office.

YOUTH TOGETHER (FORMERLY JOURNEY IN FAITH): Returns on **Friday, Sept. 29**th for Secondary School Students in the Parish Centre. This is our 19th year in operation as a parish, faith-based youth group. 1st Year students meeting at 6.00 p.m., 2nd year students at 7.00 p.m., Junior Cert students at 8.00 p.m. and TY/5th/6th years at 9.00 p.m. Come along to enjoy a variety of interesting activities, from art and craft to competitive games, debate, speakers and outings. Contact (087)9804172 for further information.

PARISH CELLS: Resume their fortnightly Sacred Scripture reflection meetings in the designated homes on Mon. 25th/Tues. 26th September. The Cells provide a unique opportunity for small groups of like-minded people to gather in a home environment, on a fortnightly basis, where Sundays' Scripture readings are discussed, a short input is reviewed and prayers are shared for neighbours and friends. Why not come along? Information from the Parish Centre.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP: St. Patrick's College, <u>Saturday September 30th</u>. Registration at 9.00 a.m. Mass 9.30 a.m. Celebrant: Fr. Daniel Woods. *"False Gods in Our Midst Today"* by Brendan Cleary at 10.45 a.m. Final Prayer: 1.00 p.m. All are welcome.

CATHEDRAL CLOCK: Please note the time of the Cathedral Clock is *'out of time'* with the Cathedral Bells, this problem will be sorted in the next few weeks.

CATHEDRAL HEATING: Our sincere apologies that the Cathedral was not as warm as usual last weekend. We regret any inconvenience caused to our congregation. This problem has now been rectified.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION September 16th & 17th 2017: Cathedral: €2,015.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,700.00. **DAY FOR LIFE 2017: SUNDAY OCTOBER 1ST 2017.** There is currently a campaign to remove Article 40.3.3 (the pro-life article) from the *Constitution of Ireland*. Day for Life Leaflets available in both churches this weekend or visit <u>www.dayforlife.org</u> **POSITIVE AGEING WEEK**: September 25th – 29th: <u>Wednesday 27th</u>: <u>Mass</u> followed by **Tea Dance** in **The Anner Hotel**. Mass at **2.00 p.m.** and dancing will follow at **3.00 p.m.** with music from Fran Garry and Pat Marnane. Refreshments available. Event open to all and free of charge. **BANK OF IRELAND**: Invite the older members of our community to join us for coffee and a chat and hear from our speaker about ageing positively. Come along on Tuesday September 26th, 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. Speaker from Thurles Men's Shed and Crime Prevention Officer. For other events see Thurles Library.

AUTUMN DAYS AT GLENSTAL: Slow down, Reflect and Renew your Spirit over a series of days at Glenstal Abbey beginning on Sat Sept 30th - *'The Benedict Option, and why we need it now'*. ? Information on <u>www.glenstal.org</u> or call 061 621005.

COFFEE MORNING: Costcutters, Friar St. in aid of **St Vincent de Paul** next Tuesday, Sept. 26th 9.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. All are welcome.

TRIP TO TIPP: **Sunday 1st October**, has an event suitable to pretty much anyone who is looking to get active while supporting a local event in aid of the <u>NCBI</u> - <u>Working for People with Sight Loss</u> and in memory of Lorraine Shanahan. Cycling - 3 Routes available; Family Fun 6km, Walk or Run 6km Route. Registrations taken on the day or online: <u>http://www.active.com/thurles-munster/running/distance-running-races/trip-to-tipp-2017</u> Further info from Billy @ 087 9253225.

THURLES GIRL GUIDE, **BROWNIE AND LADYBIRD UNITS** will return to meetings this week. Unwanted uniforms appreciated and any enquiries contact Mary 0876204848.

THURLES SILVER BAND: Recruiting for new Band Members 12 years and over – Wednesday @ 6.00p.m, Band Hall. For further details contact 087 2965604.

THURLES SPECIAL OLYMPICS CLUB: Basketball resumes Wed. Sept. 27th, Sarsfields Centre, 7.00 – 8.00 p.m.

SUPPORTERS PROGRAMME: For anyone who is supporting a family member, friend or neighbour with their mental health. You will learn practical skills, get information on services as well as tips on how to look after your own mental health and wellbeing. Training: **October 10th**, **17th & 24th**, Order of Malta Building. <u>FREE of Charge</u> (usually €75 per person). Contact NTLP on 087 9280755 - eligibility may apply.

BRIDGE LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS: Commencing **Thursday Sept. 28th**. Information: Paddy & Noreen Gleeson @ 22620/ Frank Kelly @ 087 8107469.

2 WEEK JOB CLUB PROGRAMME: Job Search & Interview Techniques, Online Job Searches & Applications; Manual Handling Training. Start Dates: October 2nd or October 16th, Kickham Street. Free to all. Contact Suzanne/ Linda 0504 90579.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE: Tues. Sept. 26th, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Oisín Robert Jerome O'Céilleachair, Clonmel Road, Cashel.RECENTLY DECEASED: \$\$Seamus Kennedy, Slievenamon Road, formerly FriarStreet. \$\$Seamus Mulcaire, Collins Park. \$Liam Fitzgerald, Kilbehenny, Co.Limerick. \$Robert (Bob) Donovan, Galbally. \$Austin Byrne, Hertfordshire, Englandformerly Clobanna Terrace, Mitchel Street.