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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.

In the crib, Jesus radiates what the world so much needs today –
gentleness, tenderness, light and hope.



Gentleness – as the answer to all violence.

Tenderness – as the answer to the lack of goodness.

Light – as the answer to the shadows that darken the
present time.

Hope – as the answer to those who feel abandoned
or who find no meaning in their lives.

(Little Sister Magdeleine of Jesus, Founder of the Little Sisters of Jesus, 1898 – 1989).

We invite you to visit our cribs in Bóthar na Naomh and the Cathedral during the
Christmas season.

CAROL SERVICE: Wonderful performances from all our Parish Choirs and
Thurles Drama Group – congratulations! Heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed
to the upkeep of the Cathedral at our Carol Service last Sunday – €955.00 received.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

**Cathedral: Christmas Eve: 8.30 p.m.; Christmas Day: 8.30 a.m.; 10.30
a.m. and 12 noon.**

**Bóthar na Naomh Church: Christmas Eve: Family Mass: 6.30 p.m.
Christmas Day: 9.30 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.**

PALLOTTINE MASS TIMES: Christmas Eve – 8.00 p.m. Christmas Day: 10.00
a.m. Daily Mass: 10.00 a.m.

DAILY MASSES AFTER CHRISTMAS: Please Note – Bóthar na Naomh 10.00
a.m.; Cathedral 11.00 a.m. only (**No 8.00 a.m.**) until Saturday January 6th 2018
(Feast of the Epiphany) when 8.00 a.m. Mass recommences.

Next Holy Family Confraternity Mass: **January 9th 2018 @ 7.30 p.m.**

CHRISTMAS CONFESSION TIMES

Please Note: No Confessions on Friday Dec. 29th/Saturday Dec. 30th. From
January 2018 Confessions will take place on **Saturdays only** from 2.30 – 3.30 p.m.
in the Cathedral. This new schedule will commence on Saturday, January 13th.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Usual times throughout Christmas except
Christmas Day.

POLISH MASS: Msza Sw Polska Swiat 26 grudnia o godzinie 13-tej w Kaplicy
Presentation Convent. Mass on St Stephen's Day, December 26th at 1.00 pm.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION December 16th & 17th 2017:

Cathedral: €2,451.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,044.00

CHRISTMAS CLERGY COLLECTION: Christmas can be a very demanding time
financially, so we sincerely appreciate all who contributed so generously to this
Collection. Target: **€154,140.00.** Amount collected: **€24,210.00.** Amount
received to date: **€138,259.50.** If you have forgotten to contribute we would
appreciate your donation as this is our last opportunity to meet our target.

CATHEDRAL CHOIR GALA CONCERT: Sincere thanks to the Cathedral Choir
for their contribution of €950.00 for the upkeep of the Cathedral, following the
memorable Gala Concert evening December 3rd – much appreciated.

PARISH OFFICE: Re-opens Tuesday January 2nd, 2018.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES: Icon Card with official Family prayer for
World Meeting of Families 2018 available at the back of both churches.

AN EVENING WITH JAMES KILBANE: Sun. March 4th 2018, S.S. Joseph &
Bridget's Church, Bóthar na Naomh. Tickets available in January.

REELING IN THE SHOWBANDS: The Dome, Semple Stadium Friday December
29th. Tickets: €25. Proceeds to Thurles Lions Club. Contact 086 8870755.

BINGO: Premier Hall Wednesday Dec. 27th @ 8.30p.m. All welcome.

DÚRLAS ÓG JUVENILE CLUB PROGRESSIVE 25 DRIVE: Sarsfields Social
Centre, Wednesday January 10th, 8.30 p.m. Tickets: €10. €1,000 in Prizes.

CASHEL & EMLY LOURDES FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: Tea
Dance in Cappawhite Resource Centre, St. Stephen's Night, Tues. Dec. 26th, 9.30
p.m. – 12.30 p.m. Music by: Brian McDermott. Admission €10. Tickets available on
the door or contact Sean O'Connor 086-8423172 for more information.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Odhran James Keogh, Ardbawn. *James John Quirke,
Romford, England.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Seamus Keher, 'Rosvilla', Brittas Road. Funeral
Mass this Sunday, 11.30 a.m., Bóthar na Naomh Church followed by burial in
St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Annie Everard, née Cantwell, Bouladuff. †Eamon
Kilmartin, Mullingar. †Hannah Davey, Lester, England and late of Knockfune,
Kilcommon.

CHRISTMAS BLESSING:

*May the light of the Manger Child shine on you and bestow
a sliver of inner peace, a glimmer of hope and an ember of
love...*

*May the radiant light of the Manger Child, warm the
cockles of your heart, may it kindle to flame a glow within
you.*

*Every blessing to you and your loved ones this Christmas
and throughout 2018.*

Fr. James, Fr. Joe & Fr. Vincent.