

**PARISH CENTRE: 22229/22779; CATHEDRAL PRESBYTERY: 22505;
BÓTHAR-NA-NAOMH PRESBYTERY: 22688.**

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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.

DEVOTIONS: NO DEVOTIONS in the Cathedral this Sunday evening.

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

**FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
SATURDAY JANUARY 6TH – HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION
MASS TIMES**

Cathedral: Friday 7.30p.m. Saturday 8.00 a.m., 11.00a.m. & 7.30 p.m.
(Vigil Mass)

Bóthar na Naomh Church: Friday @ 6.30p.m. Saturday 10.00 a.m.;
6.30 p.m. (Vigil Mass).

FIRST FRIDAY: Next Friday, January 5th. **Mass times** (Eve of Holyday):
Cathedral: 11.00 a.m. & 7.30 p.m.; Bóthar na Naomh: 10.00 a.m. & 6.30 p.m.
Communion Calls - if your priest has visited you already during the
**Christmas Season the usual Communion Calls will then resume in
February.**

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.**

CONFESSION TIMES: Please Note: 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.

THURLES ROTARY wish to thank all who supported the Hospice/Suir Haven
Remembrance Tree at the table in the Shopping Centre. The red Bows were hung on
the tree outside the Cathedral and the cards will be brought to the altar and blessed
during **7.30 p.m. Mass on the Feast of the Epiphany, next Saturday,
January 6th.**

CHRISTMAS CLERGY COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who contributed so
generously to this collection. Target: **€154,140.00.** Amount collected:
€28,495.00. Amount received to date: **€145,284.50.**

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

AN EVENING WITH JAMES KILBANE: Sun. March 4th 2018, S.S. Joseph &
Bridget's Church, Bóthar na Naomh. Tickets available from January 9th in the Parish
Office and Bookworm, Liberty Square.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. Jan. 2nd, 8.30 p.m.: Parents' Baptism Preparation Meeting.
Wed. Jan. 3rd, 7.30p.m.: Eco Spirituality Group Meeting.

A WORD OF THANKS

As 2017 draws to a close we reflect with great joy and gratitude on the involvement of so many parishioners in the vigour and wellbeing of our parish. We give thanks for the witness you provide to our Christian Faith through your participation in the different groups: our newly formed Parish Pastoral Council incorporating all the existing ministry groups, Sacristans, Secretarial Staff, Eucharistic Ministers and their drivers to the sick, Choirs, Folk Group, Organists and Musicians, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Adorers, Readers, People & Priests Group, Eco-Spirituality Group, Bóthar na Naomh Funeral Hospitality Group, Altar Societies, Flower Clubs, Jesse Tree Decorators, Crib Builders and those who organised the Carol Service. We appreciate all who help with Sodalities and Confraternities, the selling of Catholic papers and those who help in the cleaning of the Churches. We are very grateful to all who contribute to our Collections including to our Parish Development Plan. We value the time given by our Finance Committee, Collectors and Counters. In particular this year we express a special word of thanks to the **Envelope Distributors**, including those who kindly responded to our appeal for assistance in completing this important task.

Finally, conscious of the many families that have been bereaved in the past year, we renew our sympathy to you and remember you particularly in our prayers during this time.

We extend every blessing to you, our parishioners, and your loved ones during this Christmas season and throughout 2018.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION December 23rd & 24th 2017:

Cathedral: €3,045.00; **Bóthar na Naomh:** €2,190.00.

ECO TIP: In his letter to all people of good will, Laudato Si, Pope Francis asks us to be conscious of our impact on the planet. Too much packaging is a huge problem. This Christmas season please make sure that any packaging that is put into the recycling bin is dry and clean. Any dirty material can contaminate a whole consignment. Eco-Spirituality Group. New members very welcome - phone Parish Centre @ 22229. Next meeting is at 7.30 p.m. on Wed. Jan.3rd in the Parish Centre.

BINGO: Premier Hall Wednesday Jan. 3rd @ 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.

CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom this Sunday, December 31st, 9.00 p.m. – 12.15 a.m. Admission: €10. Music by "Checkers".

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Penelope Kate Ryan, Bohernamona Road.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Sarah (Sally) Ryan, formerly The Crescent, Stradavoher. Funeral Mass this Sunday, Cathedral at 12 noon followed by burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †John (Jonathan) Keady, Cabra. Reposing in Hugh Ryan's Funeral Home this Sunday from 4.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. Arriving at Cathedral on Monday at 10.15 a.m. for Funeral Mass at 11.00 a.m. followed by burial in Holycross Cemetery. (House Private). †Nancy Donnelly, Knockeen, Holycross Road. †Bridget (Bridie) Duggan, Sean Treacy Avenue. †Patrick (Paddy) Campbell, Stradavoher. †Gemma Fitzpatrick, Bohernamona Road formerly Mitchel Street. †Tony Corbett, Elmwood, Dublin Road, late of Milestone.