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

WEBSITE: www.thurlesparish.ie email: parishcentre@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. Pallottine College Chapel: Sunday & Weekday Masses @ 10.00 a.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL:

WEEKDAYS: 11.30 A.M. – 7.30 P.M.; SUNDAYS: 1.00 P.M. – 7.00 P.M.

SUNDAY LENTEN EVENING PRAYER: Bóthar na Naomh Church @ 7.00 p.m. MASS TIMES FOR LENT 2018: Usual Weekend & Daily Mass Times. TRÓCAIRE BOXES available at the back of both churches. Information Evening on the Trócaire Lenten Campaign 2018 on Tuesday Feb. 20th in Lámh Chúnta, Bóthar na Naomh @ 7.30 p.m. This evening will focus on the work of Trócaire in Sierra Leone in Africa. All are welcome to attend.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Reflections to help pray the Stations of the Cross are displayed under each station in both churches. A sincere thanks to the Liturgy Group for preparing these beautiful reflections to help us on our journey through Lent.

Thurles Parish Pastoral Council

Thurles Parish Pastoral Council welcomes singer/songwriter James Kilbane to Bóthar Na Naomh Church on **Sunday**, **4th March**, to celebrate at local level a World Meeting of Families event. This concert provides us with the perfect opportunity to come together with our families to share our faith through music and song as we eagerly anticipate The World Meeting of Families which takes place this August in Dublin and at which we are hopeful, Pope Francis will attend. Tickets are available in the Parish Centre and from Bookworm. They will also be available after all masses next weekend, Feb. 24th/25th. Take note: **Sunday**, **4th March @ 8.00 p.m. in Church of SS Joseph & Brigid**, **Bóthar Na Naomh**: A donation for each ticket is €20. (Special rate for families).

URSULINE ASSOCIATES: Meeting Monday 19th February @ 8.00p.m.

ROSARY: Recited every evening @ 6.00p.m. in Rahealty Community Centre for the duration of Lent for the protection of the unborn.

"COME AND SEE": February 23rd/24th 2018 – Pallottine College. Thinking about Priesthood? Meet others discerning priesthood and some recently ordained priests. Advance booking is required. Contact your local priest or vocations director. **ACTIVE RETIREMENT:** Wed. Feb. 21st, 11.00 a.m., Order of Malta Rooms.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. Feb. 20th, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir;

Tues. Feb. 20th, 6.00p.m.: Safe Guarding Committee Meeting;

Tues. Feb. 20th, 7.30 p.m.: Parish Pastoral Council.

Tues. Feb. 20th,8.30 p.m.: Parents' Baptism Preparation Meeting.

Wed. Feb. 21st, 6.00 p.m.: Cathedral Cleaning Groups. Wed. Feb. 21st, 7.30 p.m.: Eco-Spirituality Group Meeting.

Thurs. Feb. 22nd, 3.30 p.m.: Liturgy Group Meeting.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: LÁMH CHÚNTA

Tues. Feb. 20th, 7.30 p.m.: Trócaire Information Evening.

THURLES PARISH DATES TO REMEMBER:

<u>Sacrament of First Confession for all First Communion Children:</u> Cathedral, Monday April 16th, 7.00 p.m.

First Holy Communion Dates:

LEUGH N.S.: Bóthar na Naomh Church Sunday April 29th, 11.30 a.m.

GAELSCOIL BHRÍDE: Bóthar na Naomh Church Sunday May 13th, 11.30 a.m.

SCOIL AILBHE: Bóthar na Naomh Church Sunday May 20th, 11.30 a.m.

SCOIL MHUIRE PRESENTATION: Cathedral Sunday May 20th, 10.30 a.m.

SCOIL ANGELA URSULINE: Cathedral Sunday May 27th, 10.30 a.m.

RAHEALTY N.S.: Cathedral Sunday May 27th, 12 noon.

Pre-Confirmation Mass: Cathedral, Saturday February 24th @ 7.30 p.m.

Confirmation Mass: Cathedral, Saturday February 24 @ 7.30 p.m Confirmation Day: Saturday April 28th, 11.00 a.m., Cathedral.

RAHEALTY N.S. AND PRE-SCHOOL: Annual Open Day Tuesday, Feb. 20th. Primary School: 9.30 a.m.- 2.30 p.m. Pre-School: 1.30pm - 2.30pm. All welcome to come along and experience school life at Rahealty N.S. Telephone: 0504 – 45266.

DEMENTIA AWARENESS WORKSHOPS: *Dementia: Understand Together* initiative to create better understanding and awareness about the condition. Workshop **Friday 23rd**, from 2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. in **The Source Arts Centre.** For more information contact Ursula on 086 8381818.

THURLES DRAMA GROUP PRESENT: Noel Coward's comic play Blithe Spirit from Mon. Feb. 19th – Sat. 25th at The Source, 8.00 p.m. nightly. Opening night proceeds go to Lions Club Blue Door Project. Booking at the Source 0504 90204.

FASHION SHOW: Presentation Secondary School Sports Complex, Thurs. March 1st, 8.00p.m. Cheese & wine reception at 7.15 p.m. Tickets available from (0504-22291). We really appreciate your support.

THURLES I.C.A.: Meeting Wednesday 21st February Band Hall @ 8.00p.m.

WHAT WASTE? Confused about which bin takes what waste? We need to manage our waste better. Thurles Eco-Spirituality Group are hosting a workshop on waste management in **Lámh Chúnta**, **Bohernanave on Wednesday 28th Feb. at 8.00 p.m**. The presentation is by David Corboy of 'Voice'. Admission free.

HOLYCROSS/BALLYCAHILL DRAMA GROUP will stage 'Bold Girls' by Rona Munro on Sunday Feb. 25th in Moyne Parish Hall at 8.00 p.m.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 10th & 11th 2018:

Cathedral: €2,543.00; **Bóthar na Naomh**: €2,010.00.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Erin Ann Fitzgibbon, Butler Avenue. *Sam Thomas O'Connell, Tarmon Drive. *Jayden Philip Power Corbett, Slí na Siuire.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Peter Griffin, Slievenamon Meadows. (Retired Garda Síochána). Funeral Mass Sunday, Cathedral at 12 noon. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Edward Cleere, Switzer Homes, Castle Rd., Kilkenny formerly Cuchulainn Road. Reposing at his daughter's residence (Rose Anne Troy, Meadlán, Ballycurrane) on Sunday, 4.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. Arriving at the Cathedral Monday @ 10.15 a.m. for Requiem Mass at 11.00 a.m. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Anne Brophy, Parnell Street. †Anne Boland, Tarmon Drive, formerly Mitchel Street. †Eileen Shanahan, née Moloney, St. Joseph's, Bohernanave. †Maurice Guilfoyle, Hazelwood Grove, formerly Clonoulty. †Johnny Mullaney, Moyne. †Maeve Wilson, New Ross, formerly Croke Street. †Mary Coyle, Ballyjamesduff, Co.Cavan.