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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.
Pallottine College Chapel: Sunday & Weekday Masses @ 10.00 a.m.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER: Bóthar na Naomh Church this Sunday at 7.00 p.m.

EASTER CLERGY COLLECTION; Will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. The money collected in each parish goes to a central diocesan fund from which all the priests are paid. Target: €154,140.00. Amount received to date: €25,294.50 (Yellow Envelope: 1-Apr-18). Jim, Joe and Vincent say thank you for your continued support on behalf of all the Priests of the Archdiocese.

EVENING OF FORGIVENESS: Take time to “Come and make your Peace” during this season of Lent. Lent is a time for forgiveness – forgiveness from God, for self or towards another. Why not come along for a chat or to make your confession on **Monday, March 26th at 7.00 p.m. in Bóthar na Naomh Church.**

HOLY THURSDAY – MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER (CATHEDRAL): As part of our celebration of Mass of the Lord’s Supper, Holy Communion will be distributed under both species. To facilitate this, Eucharistic Ministers are asked to assemble in the Cathedral at 7.00 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Reflections to help pray the Stations of the Cross are displayed under each station in both churches and may be helpful if you are praying the Stations of the Cross during Holy Week.

HOLY PLACES COLLECTION: Will be taken up at all Ceremonies on Good Friday.

TRÓCAIRE: They took branches of palm and went out to receive him, shouting: ‘Hosanna! Blessed is he who is coming in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel.’” *John, 12:13*. The palm is a symbol of peace and on this Palm Sunday we pray for the millions of people around the world who are affected by conflict and have had to flee with their families to face an uncertain future. We appeal to you to continue supporting the work of Trócaire throughout the developing world. Please submit contents of Trócaire boxes (notes if possible) to Parish Office or sacristies during the week.

PILGRIM WALK (Part of National Pilgrim Path Week): Holy Saturday March 31st. Registration at Cathedral yard at 9.30 a.m. This walk, from the Cathedral, continues along the River Suir to Holycross Abbey.

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS: As Holy Week and Easter approaches the priests of the Parish will bring Communion to the Sick and Housebound in preparation for Easter.

NEW INN VOICES: A choir from the Cashel/New Inn area, formed a few years ago who have earned themselves a very good reputation for singing at Masses, Concerts & Weddings. They will sing at the 7.30 p.m. Mass in the Cathedral Sat. April 7th.

LEGION OF MARY: Talk on ‘True Devotion to Mary’ by Fr. Michael Kennedy, in Edel Quinn Hall, Derheen, Monday March 26th. All are welcome.

THURLES LIFE INSTITUTE will recite the rosary outside St Angela’s Primary school in Liberty Square on Good Friday March 30th at 12 noon. Please join us in praying for the protection of the unborn human life.

PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES/FRIENDS OF NANO: Meeting Monday March 26th at 7.30p.m.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: June 16 – 21 2018. 5 Nights – Fully Inclusive Price €715. Booking forms available from Parish Office. Director: Rev. Jimmy Donnelly @ 061 380165. Application forms for Assisted/Sick Section from Rev. Joe Tynan @ 061 384213.

ACCORD: Are recruiting people to train as Marriage Education Facilitator. As a married person, if you feel you have something to offer young people preparing for the sacrament of marriage and are willing to give up some voluntary time to train in this area, we would like to hear from you. Interested parties are invited to attend ‘Certificate in Marriage Education’ information evening on Monday March 26th, Accord House, Cathedral Street. To register your interest in attending this event or for other enquiries please contact us at accordtipphurles@eircom.net or 0504 22279.

STUDENT TEACHER EXPERIENCE DAY: A must for aspiring post-primary teachers! MIC, St. Patrick’s Campus is delighted to be holding the 2018 Student Teacher Experience Taster Day on **Saturday, April 7th, 10.30 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.** Those attending the event can expect to get in-depth information on the teacher education programmes at the College and to learn all about the School Placement Experience. Information will also be available on the undergraduate entrance scholarships, worth €2,000 each on offer to first year students undertaking study at MIC, St. Patrick’s Campus, Thurles. Attendance for this event is by registration only by email to paula.hourigan@mic.ul.ie

SPECIAL OLYMPICS CLUB: Easter Disco next Wednesday March 28th, 7.00 – 8.30 p.m. in Rugby Club. **Basketball** resumes in Sarsfields Centre on Wednesday April 11th, 7.00 – 8.00 p.m.

A.G.M. CLUB FOR DANCING: Premier Ballroom on Tuesday March 27th @ 8.00 p.m. sharp. All are welcome.

NCBI – WORKING FOR PEOPLE WITH SIGHT LOSS: Is looking for a female community-based volunteer to assist a visually impaired person in the Thurles area. If you have 1–2 hours per week to spare, we would love to hear from you. Training and support provided. For further information please contact Aonghus Meaney at 061 310818 or email aonghus.meaney@ncbi.ie

NEW TIME: Don’t forget to put your clock forward this Saturday night!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION March 17th & 18th 2018:
Cathedral: €2,036.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €1,653.00.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Lexi-Mae Quinlan, Cabra Court.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Michael Ryan, Beechwood Lawns, formerly Sean Treacy Avenue. †James (Jim) Fanning, McDonagh Tce., Littleton. †Margaret (Peg) Ely, née Taylor, Cooleeney, Moyne. †Mary Feehan, née McGrath, Westpoint House, Holycross. †Paul Mulcahy, Skeard, Holycross. †James Dowling, Seven Sisters, Johnstown. †Lucy Ryan, Ardmayle. †Mary Galletly, née Purcell, Colchester, England, formerly Grawn, Balingarry. †Fergus Curran, Ballinasloe formerly Mullinahone. †Rev. Mgr. E.J. Kavanagh, Sacramento, formerly Urlingford. †Christof Wingenter, Rockhill, New York.