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WEBSITE: www.thurlesparish.ie **email:** parishcentre@thurlesparish.ie **WEKEND 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.

LENT 2019:

SUNDAY LENTEN EVENING PRAYER: Bóthar na Naomh Church at 7.00 p.m. As we continue our journey with Jesus this Lent, we invite you to join us again for Evening Prayer. In prayer and reflection, we will remind ourselves of the final three days and seven last words of Jesus' life on earth...... "Into the quiet God calls you.......". During Lent there is a new series of reflections on the **Way of the Cross** on display in both Churches. In the Cathedral, note the link between the New Lenten Banners and the images on the Reflections.

MASS TIMES FOR LENT 2019: Usual Weekend & Daily Mass Times. TRÓCAIRE BOXES AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF BOTH CHURCHES.

PARISH DATES TO REMEMBER:

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Next Saturday March 30th at 11.00 a.m. in the Cathedral. Pupils from C.B.S., Gaelscoil, Leugh N.S., Presentation and Ursuline Schools will receive their Confirmation in the Cathedral @ 11.00 a.m. We ask you to kindly refrain from using cameras during the ceremony. Thank you for your cooperation. We wish every blessing on the Young People who will be confirmed and on their families.

CONFESSIONS FOR CONFIRMATION: Confessions for the Young People, their parents and families in preparation for Confirmation will take place on **Monday**, **March 25**th @ 7.00 p.m. in the Cathedral. Jim, Joe & Vincent will be available from 7.00 – 8.00 p.m. that evening for Confessions.

PLEASE NOTE: No Confessions in the Cathedral next Saturday March 30th – Confirmation Day.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Sunday May 12th: Scoil Mhuire Presentation Primary School, Cathedral at 10.30 a.m. Sunday May 12th: Scoil Ailbhe C.B.S. Primary School, Bóthar na Naomh Church @ 11.30 a.m.

Sunday May 19th: Scoil Angela Ursuline Primary School, Cathedral at 10.30 a.m.

Sunday May 19th: Leugh N.S., Bóthar na Naomh Church at 11.30 a.m.

Sunday May 26th: Rahealty N.S., Cathedral at 10.30 a.m.

Sunday May 26th: Gaelscoil Bhríde, Bóthar na Naomh Church at 11.30 a.m.

EASTER RAFFLE: Prizes on view and tickets on sale in the Parish Centre. All proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing project. (Tickets $\mathfrak{C}2$ each or 3 for $\mathfrak{C}5$.) **CATECHISM COURSE:** Resuming Monday March 25^{th} @ 7.30 p.m, Lámh Chúnta. **FATIMA APOSTOLATE THREE HOUR VIGIL:** In honour of our Lady of the Annunciation, Pallottine Chapel, Mon. March 25^{th} @ 7.30 p.m. All welcome.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS: PARISH CENTRE:

Tues. March 26th, 4.00 p.m.: Parish Youth Choir;

Tues. March 26th, 7.30 p.m.: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting.

LISTENING PROCESS FOLLOW-UP MEETING: Wednesday April 3rd at 7.30 p.m., Parish Centre. Please note change of date as previously arranged at Deanery gathering in Templemore.

VISITATION OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE: Blessed by Pope Francis, this Statue will be present for veneration in the Cathedral from Saturday evening, April 6th until Sunday afternoon, April 7th. More details next week.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ASSEMBLY: St. Patrick's College, Saturday March 30th, 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. Guest Speaker: Fr. Patrick Cahill. Concluding with Mass celebrated by Fr. Dan Woods. All welcome.

LENTEN TALKS IN GLENSTAL ABBEY: Sundays @ 4.30p.m. Contact 061 621005 or email events@glenstal.com for further details.

MIC THURLES STUDENT EXPERIENCE DAY: St. Patrick's Campus Thurles on April 6th. If you are interested in a career in education, then this is the event for you. Register your interest for the day and find out more at www.micopenday.ie

TIPPERARY TALKING NEWSPAPERS: We provide a voluntary service for the visually impaired. We meet monthly in the Premier Hall to put together extracts from our three local newspapers which are then put on tape and posted to those that require the service. **New volunteers** needed—Anita: 087 2908930; Marie: 086 3247988.

THURLES MENSHED: Please donate any unwanted small musical instruments in any condition. Further information from 086 8806555.

MICHAEL COLLINS - A MUSICAL DRAMA: Thurles Musical Society will stage this hit show in The Premier Hall from Tuesday March 26th - Saturday 30th. Bookings at Bookworm or 085 2868726. Book now to avoid disappointment.

POST OFFICE PUBLIC RALLY: Fri. March 29th, 11.00 a.m. in opposition to the relocation of Thurles Post Office. Assemble at Parnell Street car park at 10.45 a.m.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION March 16th & 17th 2019: Cathedral: €3,256.00; Bóthar na Naomh: €2,345.00.

LENT...

A journey of heart and a journey that's long, a chance to reflect where life might be wrong...

Begins in ashes but ends in joy and wipes away the tear.

Lent is a time not just to give up but take on something new.

Time to pray and time to reflect,

time to touch deeper into our Spiritual Nest.

A time to build up or a time to knock down.

Let Lent be your space to earn you that crown.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Oisín Tomás Walsh, Willowmere Drive.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Jimmy Ryan, McDonagh Terrace, Mitchel Street. †Margaret (Peg) Kenehan, Bellevue. †Patrick Ryan, Ballybeg, Littleton. †Frank Ryan, Cloneyross, Drombane. †Jimmy Shanahan, Gortahoola, Drombane. †Kathleen Egan, Clonmore. †Margaret McCullagh, née Shanahan, Cloncleigh, Two-Mile-Borris. †Andy Lambe, Daingean, Co. Offaly.

May They All Rest in Peace.