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THURLES PARISH MASS TIMES:

WEEKENDS: Cathedral: Saturday Vigil 7.00 p.m., Sunday 11.00 a.m.

Bóthar na Naomh Church: Sunday 09.30 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.

WEEKDAYS:

Cathedral: Monday - Friday: 11.00 a.m.

Bóthar na Naomh: Tuesday & Thursday: 7.00 p.m. Saturday: 11.00 a.m.

(This Tuesday 7.00 p.m. Mass will include anointing of the sick)

FOR OUR STREAMING SERVICE ON-LINE visit www.thurlesparish.ie.

CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION "RAISE THE ROOF" LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results Nov. 28th Winning Numbers: 1; 20; 21; 26.

The Jackpot was not won this week.

Cash Prize of €50 to the weekly lucky winner – Frida Dunne, Thurles.

Next Draw: Dec 5th, 2024. Jackpot: €2,475.00.

For the Christmas Season the weekly Lucky Dip has increased to €150 for the

next four draws: Dec. 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th.

If you wish to join the Parish Lotto by cash payment - One line = €40 for 20 weeks; 3 lines: €100 for 20 weeks and more options available. Please note a mobile number can only be used once, i.e. a separate mobile number for each new member. Have you considered giving a gift of the Parish Lotto to family & friends this Christmas? Alternatively, you can make a donation to the fund if you do not wish to join our Parish Lotto. Thank you so much to everyone who is supporting our fundraiser lotto. You are making a real difference, and we really appreciate your support.

TOTAL COST OF REROOFING PROJECT: €1,700,000.

Total Amount in Cathedral Reroofing Fund, October 2024: €800,664.00.

All financial support towards this project will be gratefully received.

CATHEDRAL CHOIR GALA CONCERT:

Come along and enjoy an evening of jubilant and festive music & song at this year's Raise the Roof Gala concert. Cathedral Choir accompanied by the Clonmel Concert Band – this Sunday December 1st Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. No Booking Required – Donation on the night.

Special Guest: Gina Oberoi (Irish Soprano). All proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Project.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Tickets now on sale at the Parish Office. A great variety of prizes. All proceeds to the Cathedral Reroofing Project. Ticket €2 each or 3 for €5.

HANDCRAFTED CHRISTMAS CARDS: Kindly made by our parishioners, Marina & Moireen, available in the Parish Centre. Donations only -proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Fund. Thurles Parish Christmas Cards & Christmas Mass Bouquets also available, (€2).

DECEMBER 2024: Each household will receive the Parish Calendar, Christmas Card and a package of envelopes for all Church Collections 2025 including Weekly Offertory Collection Envelopes which begin Jan.6th 2025. If you do not receive a package, please contact the Parish Office. **Envelope Distributors: We would greatly appreciate if you could collect your envelopes next week. Thank you!**

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€3,325.00** received.

FIRST FRIDAY: The sick & housebound will be visited during this coming week.

THE CHOSEN: The mini-series on the life of Jesus, Season 3 continues in Lámh Chunta Hall next Monday night @ 7.45 p.m. See you there!!

POLISH MASS: Dec. 1st @ 1.00 p.m., Presentation Convent Chapel.

FAMILY MASS & PRE-CONFIRMATION MASS: We invite all families and in particular this month all Young People preparing for Confirmation to our Family Mass, Saturday December 7th at 7.00 p.m., Cathedral. Theme: "Prepare a way for the Lord" (Isaiah 40: 3-5).

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE DECEASED OF LEUGH & SURROUNDING AREA: Thursday December 5th, 7.00 p.m., Bóthar na Naomh Church.

12 CRIBS OF CHRISTMAS: Pobal Éile Youth Ministry Group invites you to join us on our crib tour - leaving Bohernanave Church on Sun. 15th Dec. @ 5.30 p.m. Open to teenagers from the parishes of Pobal Éile Parish Combination (Thurles, Moyne/Templetuohy, Moycarkey/Two-Mile-Borris/Littleton, & Gortnahoe/Glengoole). To secure a place: **Contact: 087 9804172**

FRANCISCAN MISSIONS APPEAL: A very generous amount of €6,647.00 was received. Míle Buíochas for your great welcome, kindness and generosity.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Families or people who need help this Christmas can make a request by ringing St Vincent de Paul @ **061 317327** or email **info.midwest@svp.ie** Requests have to be in by **Dec 13th**. Unfortunately, due to shortage of volunteers we are unable to assist Santa with toys. **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THULRES ANNUAL APPEAL** takes place **Dec.7th & 8th**. **Please drop donation envelopes to SVP Centre, Parish Centre or either Church.**

SCOIL AILBHE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING: Friday, **Dec. 6th** from **9.30a.m. to 12p.m.** Enjoy carol singing, delicious cakes, treats & Christmas cheer! All welcome.

SCOIL AILBHE CHRISTMAS CONCERT: **Tuesday, Dec. 10th & Wednesday, Dec. 11th**, at 7p.m. in the School Hall, with a **Matinee on Tuesday, Dec. 10th at 10a.m.** Tickets available at the door. All are welcome.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY THURLES: Annual Christmas Party Cafe on Wed. Dec. 4th at 11 a.m. in Bookworm. Music, song and maybe a few stories for all. Mince Pies plus our Christmas raffle.

A PREMIER NIGHT TO REMEMBER with Michael Molumby & Friends in the Premier Hall, Sat. Dec. 7th @ 7.00 p.m. Tickets from Rahealty N.S 0504 45266, Bookworm 0504 22257, Maria Molumby 0863031243. Adults €20; Under 16 €10. All proceeds to Rahealty N.S & New ASD Class.

A SPECIAL CELEBRATION: 1st Anniversary Mass for Willie Hayes, RIP Sunday, Dec. 8th in Holycross Abbey at 2.30 p.m., followed by the unveiling of a sculpture in his honour. Refreshments in Holycross Community Centre afterwards. All welcome.

SCOIL CHORMAIC SCHOOL CASHEL: Santa's Sensory Cabin, Dec. 6th – 8th – a magical sensory experience for children with additional needs. Contact Evelyn @ 083 3000639 for info.

LAY-LED FUNERAL MINISTRY

"From the 1st Sunday of Advent (this Sunday) the Diocese will launch a new ministry – Lay Led Funeral Ministry. The ministers will work in association with the priests of the diocese and is a ministry of consolation and accompaniment to the bereaved. It will involve the celebration of funeral rites – leading prayers in the family/funeral home, receiving the departed in the church and conducting the rites of commendation and committal. In preparation for this new departure, groups have been trained with a view to participating in this important and sensitive ministry. I thank all who are partaking in this ministry and those who have prepared them for the course. May I wish all a blessed and hope-filled Advent Season as we prepare for the birth of Emmanuel – God with us." Archbishop Kieran.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Tadhg Carroll, The Willows.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Catherine (Kitty) Craddock, née Deasy, Turtulla. Funeral Mass this Sunday, Cathedral 11.00 a.m. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Eileen McLoughlin, née Moloney, Willowmere Drive, formerly Church Street, Templemore. †Thomas Joseph Shanahan, Botswana formerly Kickham St. †Mary Anne Sweeney née Ryan, Lisheen, Moyne, formerly Clongour.

May They Rest In Peace.

"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of hope". (Pope Benedict XVI)