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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.

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CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION "RAISE THE ROOF" LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results Dec. 12th Winning Numbers: 8; 12; 14; 15.

The Jackpot was not won this week.

Cash Prize of €150 to the weekly lucky winner – Anne O'Dwyer, Thurles.

Next Draw: Dec 19th, 2024. Jackpot: €3,250.00.

For the Christmas Season the weekly Lucky Dip has increased to €150 for the next two draws: Dec. 19th, 26th.

Christmas Giveaway Competition: Everyone who has a ticket in our Fundraiser Lotto on Thursday Dec. 19th has a chance one of the five magical national Christmas Giveaway Competition prizes (*this nationwide competition is open to all who have a ticket in the Lotto run by 'Our Fundraiser'*). **Prizes include: €2,500 Cash Prize; 2 x Oasis Platinum Tickets; Meta Quest 3 VR Bundle, the Ultimate Christmas Hamper and a €500 Dunnes' Stores Gift Card.**

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 RAISED TO 4th DECEMBER 2024: €825,992.78

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€5,593.00** received.

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

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT SERVICE. The Annual Carols by Candlelight Service in St. Mary's Church of Ireland Church THIS **Sunday December 15th** at 7.00pm. All are welcome.

POLISH MASS: This Sunday Dec. 15th @ 1.00 p.m., Presentation Convent Chapel.

12 CRIBS OF CHRISTMAS: Pobal Éile Youth Ministry Group Bohernanave Church on Sun. 15th Dec. @ 5.30 p.m. For teenagers from the parishes of Pobal Éile Parish Combination (Thurles, Moyne/Templetuohy, Moycarkey/Two-Mile-Borris/Littleton, & Gortnahoe/Glengoolie).

CAROL SERVICE: Ursuline Secondary School, Scoil Angela, St Angela's Academy of Music & Thurles Community Orchestra, Cathedral, Tuesday Dec 17th at 7.00 p.m.

HOUSE KEYS FOUND: Cathedral yard recently. Contact Parish Office for details.

WATCH & PRAY ALL NIGHT VIGIL:

FOR WORLD PEACE & PRIESTHOOD in Bóthar na Naomh Church on **Saturday Dec. 14th** commencing at 8.00 p.m., concluding with 9.30 a.m. Mass on **Sunday Dec. 15th**. All very welcome.

CHRISTMAS 2024:

CAROL SERVICE: Cathedral Sunday Dec. 22nd, 7.30 p.m. We continue this century old tradition started by St. Francis of Assisi, of expressing through carols, words and dance our joy at Christmas and the Birth of our Saviour.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS:

TUESDAY December 17th: Bóthar na Naomh Church: 6.00 – 7.00 p.m. (Mass @ 7.00 p.m. Confessions continue after Mass if required).

POBAL EILE PASTORAL AREA – CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

SS Joseph & Brigid Church, Bóthar na Naomh: Tuesday, December 17th @ 6.00 p.m. and continuing after 7.00 p.m. Mass if required.

Sacred Heart Church, Templetuohy: Wednesday, December 18th, 7.00 – 8.00 p.m.

St. Mary's Church, Moyne: Wednesday, December 18th, 7.00 – 8.00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Church, Gortnahoe: Thursday December 19th, 7.00 – 8.00 p.m.

Cathedral of Assumption, Thurles: Tuesday, December 24th, 1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH: Christmas Eve – 5.00 p.m. Christmas Day: 9.30 a.m.

(Please note: **NO 7.00 p.m. on Christmas Day**).

CATHEDRAL: Christmas Eve: 7.00 p.m.; Christmas Day: 8.00 a.m. & 11.00 a.m.

PALLOTTINE CHAPEL: Christmas Eve: 8.00 p.m.; Christmas Day: 10.00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS CLERGY COLLECTION: December 21st & 22nd. This collection is for the support of priests, active and retired in the Archdiocese. This is the last Clergy Collection for 2024 and so a very big thanks to all who contributed to our collections during the year.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Tickets on sale in the Parish Centre – all proceeds to the Cathedral Reroofing Project. Variety of Prizes. (Tickets: €2 each or 3 for €5). Raffle will take place next **Friday, Dec. 20th** after 11.00 a.m. Mass. Come along for a cuppa!

HANDCRAFTED CHRISTMAS CARDS: Kindly made by two of our parishioners, Marina & Moireen, available in the Parish Centre. Donations only - Proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Fund.

DECEMBER 2024: Each household will receive the Parish Calendar, Christmas Card & package of envelopes for all Church Collections 2025 including Weekly Offertory Collection Envelopes which begin Jan. 1st, 2025. If you do not receive a package, please contact the Parish Office.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL APPEAL: Sincere thanks to all who support this Collection.

BALLYCAHILL CAROL SERVICE: Sunday 15th Dec. at 6.00 p.m.: Evening of seasonal carols and hymns in Ballycahill Church. Refreshments immediately afterwards.

LECTURE - THURLES LIBRARY: Tuesday Dec. 17th at 7.00 p.m. 'Public Health and the Poor Laws in Co. Tipperary' by Lisa McGeeney. All welcome.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Layton Thomas Leahy, Collee Green. *Penny Ann Stapleton, Beechwood Lawns.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Alice Hogan, née Curran, Parnell Street. Funeral Mass this Sunday, Cathedral 11.00 a.m. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Carmel Keane, née McCarthy, Kennedy Park. Funeral Mass Bóthar na Naomh Church this Sunday 9.30 a.m. Burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery. †Eddie Olden, Cabragh Road formerly Blackrock, Cork. †Rosalie O'Neill, née Blake, Roseville, Clongour. †John O'Grady, (Culbáire), Pinehurst, Clongour. †Paddy Coman, Coldfields, Two-Mile-Borris. †Armands Zalitis, Wolfe Tone Place, formerly Aluksne, Latvia. †Jody Mulcaire, Ballinree, Boherlahan, formerly Iona Avenue. †Deuglán Breathnach, Kiltillane, Templemore, formerly Ard na Croise.

May They Rest In Peace.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: GAUDETE SUNDAY

Prepare our hearts and remove the sadness, that hinders us from feeling the joy and hope which His presence will bestow.