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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)

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CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

“RAISE THE ROOF” LOTTO INITIATIVE

Weekly Lotto Draw Results Dec. 26th, 2024: Winning Numbers: 2; 12; 17; 21.

The Jackpot was not won this week.

Weekly Winner: Donal Kearney, Littleton.

Weekly Lotto Draw Results Jan. 2nd, 2025: Winning Numbers: 8; 13; 20; 24.

The Jackpot was not won this week.

Weekly Winner: Kevin Ryan, Thurles.

Next Draw: Jan. 9th, 2025; Jackpot: €4,375.00

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. Alternatively, you can make a donation to the fund if you do not wish to join our Parish Lotto. **Because of your generosity we have surpassed our Christmas target - we now have 630 members in our “Raise the Roof” Lotto! Mile Buíochas.**

We express our sincere gratitude to all who contributed to the Fund through Direct Donations, €37,512.00 from January – December 2024.

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - €5,012.00 received.

PARISH CRIBS: We invite you to visit our Cribs in the Cathedral and Bóthar na Naomh Church during the Christmas season.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: MONDAY JANUARY 6th, 2025.

HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

MASS TIMES:

BÓTHAR NA NAOMH CHURCH: Vigil Mass Sunday, 7.00 p.m. Monday 9.30 a.m. (Please note extra Mass on Monday morning.).

CATHEDRAL: Tuesday 11.00 a.m.

WEEK OF CHRISTIAN UNITY: January 18th – 25th. Prayer for Christian Unity is an invitation to draw on this common heritage and to enter more deeply into the faith that unites all Christians. The theme of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is based on a text from the Gospel of John: “Do you believe this?” (John 11: 26)

MASS INTENTIONS – THURLES PARISH: To avoid disappointment please book Anniversary Masses in the Parish Office at least two weeks before required date.

REHEARSALS FOR HOT MIKADO BEGIN: Rehearsals for the March production of **Thurles Musical Society's** Hot Mikado begin on Tuesday next January 7th at 8:00pm in the Ursuline Secondary School Hall and continue on Thursday evenings. The show opens in the Premier Hall on Tuesday March 25th running until Saturday March 29th. All are welcome to come along & join in the fun.

2025 SACRAMENTAL DATES:

CONFIRMATION DAY: SATURDAY MARCH 8th, CATHEDRAL CATHEDRAL:

10.00 a.m.: Gaelscoil Bhríde & Scoil Ailbhe, C.B.S.;

12.30 p.m.: Leugh N.S. & Scoil Angela Ursuline Primary School.

FIRST COMMUNION:

CATHEDRAL:

Saturday May 10th, 11.00 a.m.: Scoil Ailbhe, C.B.S. & Rahealty N.S.

Saturday May 17th, 11.00 a.m.: Presentation Primary & Scoil Angela, Ursuline Primary.

Saturday 24th May, 11.00 a.m.: Leugh N.S. & Gaelscoil Bhríde.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY THURLES MEMORY CAFÉ: Wednesday January 8th in Bookworm from 11.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. This month's topic will focus on the importance of using reminiscence as a therapy for creating meaningful conversations with the person living with dementia. In particular those who have expression or language difficulties due to memory, cognition or speech difficulties.

NEWLY BAPTISED: *Róisín Marie King, Leugh. *Ruairí James McCormack, Glasnevin, Dublin.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Martin Meagher, Ard na Croise. †John Kennedy, Ard Carraig, Dublin Road. †Rev. Phil Barry, Pallotine Fathers, Thurles, formerly Drombane. †Mary Hennessy, née O'Dwyer, Lower Boulerea, Knock, Roscrea, formerly Athnid. †Joseph Dwyer, Montreal, Canada, formerly Butler Avenue.

May They Rest In Peace.

New Year's Prayer

As the dawn breaks on a new year, let us give thanks for all we hold dear: our health, our family and our friends.

Let us release our grudges, our anger and our pains, for these are nothing but binding chains.

Let us live each day in the most loving ways, the God-conscious way.

Let us serve all who are in need, regardless of race, colour or creed.

Let us keep God of our own understanding in our hearts and to chant God's name each day.

Let us lead the world from darkness to light, from falsehood to truth and from wrong to right.

Let us remember that we are all one, embracing all, discriminating against none.

May your year be filled with peace, prosperity and love.

May God's blessings shower upon you and bestow upon each of you a bright, healthy and peaceful new year.

Rev. Marcy Sheremetta

Best wishes for 2025 – wishing everyone a year filled with happiness, health and peace.

Jim & Vincent.