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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 Mar 20th, 2025:
Winning Numbers: 4; 6; 10; 22.

Congratulations to this week’s Jackpot Winner- Michelle Percy, Thurles.

Next Draw Mar 27th, 2025, Jackpot €1,325.00.

To help us reach our target of €2.2 million for this building project new members are always required and welcome!

WEEKLY ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION: We are very grateful for your Weekly Offertory Contributions - **€4,040.00** received.

MEET THE SAINTS: On four of the Mondays of Lent, at 7.45 p.m, in Lámh Chúnta, we will examine the lives of some well-known saints and some less well known, continuing Monday March 24th with a night on Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. All are welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Bóthar na Naomh Church every Friday during Lent at 7.00 p.m.

EASTER RAFFLE: Tickets now available in the Parish Centre – all proceeds to the **Cathedral Reroofing Project**. Variety of great prizes. (Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5).

Trócaire Boxes available at back of both Churches.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Perhaps consider giving one Hour in Adoration to the Lord during Lent.

VIGIL IN HONOUR OF FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION: Tuesday 25th March, Bóthar na Naomh Church. Vigil will commence with Rosary at 6.30 p.m.; Mass at 7.00 p.m., followed by Holy Hour. Conducted by Fr. James Purcell.

WALK ST. DECLANS WAY: A jubilee event for young adults (aged 18-35) to mark the canonisation of Pier Giorgio Frassati. We will walk St Declan’s Way over 4 days (roughly 15-20km per day), July 31st – August 4th. Staying each night in Glencomeragh House. With a full spiritual and cultural programme. Cost €275.p.p. Level of fitness required. Email; youthpilgrimages@waterfordlismore.ie for the link.

CASHEL & EMLY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: JUNE 13th – 18th:

The cost is from €969 which includes direct return flights from Shannon to Lourdes, full board, airport transfers & taxes, full religious programme. Bookings can be made directly with JWT: Phone 01-2410800; or www.jwttravel.ie **Booking Forms available in the Parish Office.** A limited number of places are available for Assisted Pilgrims who require medical assistance or additional supports. Accommodation is provided in the Accueil Notre Dame under the care of our own medical team. Bookings for Assisted Pilgrims should be made with Fr. Joe Tynan, Phone: 087-2225445.

PALLOTTINE FATHERS MISSIONS: Fr. Oliver O’Brien from the Pallottine Fathers Missions will speak at all Masses next weekend (March 29th/30th) to promote their mission work. The Pallottines were founded by Saint Vincent Pallotti, who was born in Rome in 1795. From his childhood he offered his life to the service of the poor, and founded the Union of Catholic Apostolate. At that time the laity was not actively involved in the ministry of the Church and St. Vincent wanted to inspire people of all walks of life to work for God’s kingdom. St. Vincent wanted people to treat those in need “with care and with a loving concern”. He died in 1850, leaving a legacy that continues to inspire people worldwide today.

LEGION OF MARY: Pilgrimage to Holycross Abbey, the designated local Pilgrimage Site for Jubilee Year of Hope, on Sunday March 30th. Commencing at 1.00 p.m. Tour of Abbey available afterwards. All are Welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Bus leaving Cashel at 7.00 a.m. Sunday April 6th. Contact Margaret Carrie @ 087/ 0568216 or Mary Jo @ 086/ 2112019.

HOT MIKADO - GET YOUR TICKETS NOW: Thurles Musical Society presents Hot Mikado in the Premier Hall, **Tuesday March 25th - Saturday 29th** at 8.00 p.m. Get tickets now from www.GR8events.ie or Bookworm, Liberty Square, at appointed times. With over 100 local people involved, don’t miss this wonderful show.

DAFFODIL DAY: COFFEE MORNING: In aid of the Irish Cancer Society at Thurles Golf Club, Friday 28th March, from 10.30 - 1.30 All are most welcome.

BINGO RETURNS TO THURLES: Thurles Bingo, starting **Wednesday 2nd April** at 8.00 pm. in Thurles Sarsfield’s Social Centre and each Wednesday night thereafter.

ST. CRONAN’S CHURCH (C OF I), ROSCREA: Evening of Gospel music with Christian singer, James Kilbane, on Friday April 4th at 8.00 p.m. Proceeds towards vital repair work to the church roof, indoor walls, dampness prevention as well as the ongoing ministry work. €20, available from church organisers, local outlets, Eventbrite, or call 087 3825336.

SUMMER TIME: Clocks go forward one hour next Sunday, March 30th at 2.00 a.m.

MICHAEL SUTTON MEMORIAL WALK: Upperchurch, Sat. 5th April. 4 walks from challenging to buggy friendly. Registration from 11.30 a.m. in Community Centre. Food and music! The funds raised will be used to build and repair classrooms in the Diocese of Mzuzu, Northern Malawi and to provide textbooks and resources. A group of tradesmen went to Malawi and worked with Bishop John Ryan and local communities. They hope to go again this year.

RECENTLY DECEASED: †Christopher Doyle, Lahardan, Two-Mile-Borris. †Anthony Gleeson, Moher House, Upperchurch. †Niamh Heffernan, née Hogan, Clonoulty, formerly Ballywilliam, Nenagh. †Dara Kissane, Mullaghcreelam, Kilkea, Kildare.

May They Rest In Peace

ORMOND OCTAVES WITH SPECIAL GUESTS: MUSIC GENERATION:

A memorable night of song and music is in store when the **Ormond Octaves** choir perform in the Cathedral on

Friday 2nd May. The choir of over 80 members has thrilled audiences in packed churches and halls all over North Tipperary since it was founded by Musical Director Niamh Ryan in 2008. Don’t be surprised if the powerful voices of the 80-member choir literally raise the Cathedral roof (and we do need a new roof!!!) The mingled sounds of the four-voice ensemble of men and women are a pure joy to behold. All proceeds to the Cathedral Reroofing Project. **Tickets (€25 Donation) available in Thurles Parish Centre (0504-22229), Bookworm, Liberty Square (0504 22257) and Holycross Parish Centre (0504 43124).**

**As Spring returns across the land, it brings new hope to wake the earth.
It touches all with healing hands, Lord, touch the soul in me.**

Sr. Abbie O’Sullivan