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Thoughts for the Day - Reconciliation...

Christmas time is like a lamp that lights the closing year. A lamp that radiates a glow of charity and cheer. A lamp that burns at every window with a golden ray and warms the heart in winter when the world seems cold and grey.

Once again it is the birthday of the King of Kings, Once again we meditate on high and holy things, Once again we hear great tidings ringing round the earth, the wondrous and amazing story of a Saviour's birth.

LOCAL news:

FAMILY FUN RUN IN CULLOHILL: The Parents Council of Scoil Tighearnach Naofa, Cullohill are delighted to present this year's Cullohill Christmas Cracker Family Fun Run / Walk on Sunday 27th December at 12pm. Entry fee: Adults €10, Under 12's €5, Family Ticket €30. Entry fee includes a woollen Beanie hat for all participants. The run is 5km with a 1.5km run for Under 12's also taking place. Registration will commence in Cullohill Community Centre at 11am with both runs commencing at 12pm. Participants in the Under 12's run will be taken by bus to the start line from 11.40am. There will be a prize of €50 for the first male and female in the 5km run, and a prize of €20 for the first boy and girl in the 1.5km run. Refreshments will be available in the community centre after the event. The Parents Council would very much appreciate donations of sandwiches, buns etc... from the parents of the school children. Volunteers will also be required for approx 1 hour. Please contact Marian on (086) 8390266 if you can assist. Looking forward to seeing you there!

THIRD LAOIS DURROW SCOUTS GROUP: All the sections are back up and running after new members joined the Third Laois Durrow and current members stepped up to their new section at the beginning of November. There are new challenges waiting for the scouts this year with numerous trips and camps in the pipeline.

Trip: The Cub section went to Edenderry last Sunday to compete in the County tracks and trails challenge. It was a cold but dry and sunny day in the woods where their skills of camping, pioneering and emergency were tested. They just missed qualifying for the national event in June but they got a great taste of the good things to come. Keep up the good work.

AGM: The Thirrd Laois Durrow AGM took place in the Den on Wednesday 18th November. After the stepping down of long term running Group Leader Maureen Campion there was election of a new committee: Chairperson - Eva Maria Dunne; Group Leader - Delphine Lawlor; Deputy Group Leader - Maureen Campion; Secretary - Seamus Comerford; Assistant Secretary - Debbie Stapleton; Treasurer - Angela Drennan; Assistant Treasurer - Mary Walsh; Quartermaster - Leanne Fogarty; Assistant Quartermaster - Johnny Campion; Spiritual Adviser - Lorna Campion; Group Trainer - Karen Shortall.

Happy Christmas: The group would like to wish all parents and children a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: The Annual Church Gate Collection in aid of Epilepsy Ireland took place on the weekend of December 12th and 13th. Members of The Harps GAA collected a total of €563.28 in Durrow and Cullohill. Many thanks to everyone for their generosity.

BLOOD DONATIONS: The Irish Blood Transfusion Service and local promoter wish to thank everyone who attended the recent blood clinic in Durrow despite the horrible weather brought by Storm Desmond. One hundred and forty eight attended this clinic. Your kindness and willingness to donate blood is very much appreciated. Once again many thanks.