

INISTIOGE PARISH

St Colmcille's, Inistioge | St Brendan's, Clodiagh | The Assumption, The Rower

WEEKEND MASSES

Vigil: The Rower 7.30 p.m.

Sunday: Clodiagh 9.30 a.m.; Inistioge 11.30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

The Rower: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 a.m.

Inistioge: Wednesday & Friday 9.30 a.m.

Second Sunday of Advent - 6th December 2020

HOLY DAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday - 8th Dec. - Feast of The Immaculate Conception of The B.V.M.

INISTIOGE - MON. - Vigil 7.00 p.m. THE ROWER - TUES. 9.30 a.m.

Masses In Our Churches At Christmas

Because of the exceptional times we are currently living through, exceptional efforts and sacrifices will probably have to be made by us all this Christmas in order to safely emerge at the other end.

We must be very clear on one thing: that despite what our 'hearts desire' might be this Christmas, COVID-19 will not be taking a day off, or even a night off. COVID-19 will be quite oblivious to Christmas and to what it means to us. So, this might mean having a conversation as to who should or should not go to mass - given the crowds that turn up at Christmas services heretofore.

Hopefully, all regular attendees will find a place in their churches.

This year, some of the 'trimmings' may have to be sacrificed for at least two good reasons, amongst others: 1) out of consideration for those standing outside in the cold, wind or rain, and 2) out of consideration that the celebrant may have other masses 'stacked up' to get to on time.

It is said that the less movement, the less 'ceremonial', the more ventilation, and the shorter the time we are together indoors, the safer we all will be.

Christmas Eve (all p.m.)

4.30 The Rower

6.00 Inistioge

7.30 The Rower

9.00 Inistioge

Christmas Day (all a.m.)

8.30 The Rower

9.30 Clodiagh

11.00 Inistioge

Bereavements

Anniversaries:

Mary Grace, Tinnislatty.
James Prendergast, Garranavabby.

Anniversaries Next Week:

Michael Flood, Coolhill & deceased members of Flood & Delahunty families. (Sat. 7.30 pm).
Dick & Bridget Tierney, Kilcross, & Thomas Hackett, Kilcross (Sun 11.30).

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We thank you for your loyal service.

Please, if you have any changes to your listing, contact Deirdre on Thursday or Fr Frank on his mobile at any time.

Inistioge Church Choir

Inistioge Choir is planning a socially distant Candlelight Carol Concert on the Square on Sunday 20th December at 7.00 p.m.

Church Stewards

As we return to mass and public worship, we once again turn to the good nature and generosity of our volunteers who provide the necessary stewarding so as we are compliant with Government and HSE safety guidelines.

Their work and involvement is invaluable and is appreciated by all in the local church areas of the parish.

"An Macalla"

Local history and news from the Rower Inistioge area now available at €5. Copies are limited. It makes a great stocking filler for Christmas for all at home/away.

Shoebox Appeal

Every year the Shoebox Appeal shares hope for thousands of children affected by poverty across Africa and Eastern Europe.

Download campaign video from:

<https://vimeo.com/459923302>

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Office Hours: Thurs. 9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

Newsletter Deadline: Thursday 9.00 a.m.

Parish Priest: Fr Frank Purcell 086 601 0001

SAFEGUARDING:

IF YOU HAVE A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN CONTACT

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person, Mr Cathal Cullen, 087 100 0232

or Ms Rose Brophy, 087 331 4330; email: dlp@ossory.ie

OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES ARE:

Liam Mulholland; Rebecca Ryan & Regina Bolger.

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