

INISTIOGE PARISH

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

WEEKEND MASSES

Vigil: The Rower 7.30 p.m. *(Suspended)*

Sunday: Clodiagh 9.30 a.m.; Inistioge 11.30 a.m. *(Suspended)*

WEEKDAY MASSES

The Rower: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 a.m. *(Suspended)*

Inistioge: Wednesday & Friday 9.30 a.m. *(Suspended)*

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17th January 2021

Statement by Dermot Farrell, Archbishop Elect of Dublin and Administrator of Ossory

I welcome the publication of the report into the Mother and Baby Homes. This report, and those like it, which explore our painful past make for extremely disturbing reading. They reveal deep wounds, and bring to light the profound injustices perpetrated against the vulnerable in our society over a long period of time - against women and children whose lives were regarded as less important than the lives of others. The silence which surrounded this shameful time in the history of our land had long needed to be shattered. The pain of those who were hidden away must be heard; those once largely without a voice now can speak clearly to the world, and we need to listen, even when what we hear pierces to the heart.

I welcome, therefore, the actions of our Government and of the Commission that has made this possible. These voices must be heard, but hearing, while important, is not enough. The grievous failures of our past have been laid bare. A genuine response is required: ours - as a Church and a society - can only be a full apology, without any reservation. There should never have been a time for avoidance and facile solutions. This country, the Church, our communities and families are better places when the light of truth and healing are welcomed.

May the Lord's compassion be the touchstone of our response. May the light of Christ bring healing to all.

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13th January 2021

N.B. Masses Sundays 11.00 am & Weekdays 9.30 am Tues to Fri are streamed on: inistiogeparish.ie

Bereavements

Anniversaries:

Philly & Brian Knox, Cappagh; And Eamonn Flood & deceased members of the Flood Family, Russelstown (Sun 11.00 am);

Paddy & Elizabeth Lyng, Kiltown (Tues 9.30 am); Francis & Kitty Barrett, Galway;

Next Weekend:

Tom & Kathleen Lyng, Carrenroe; And William & Nora Walsh, Ballygub & Bridget Galavan, Ballygub (Sun 11.00)

Back To 'Ordinary Time'

When you notice Cribs, Trees and Decorations disappearing from our churches the stark reality of Christmas being history and Church Ordinary time having now returned dawns fully upon us..

The Parish would like to thank all those who decorated our three churches with lovely cribs, trees, etc. These things take a lot of work and time. And often, the larger task of taking them down again and putting them away 'til next year deserves great credit too. So, thanks to all concerned - we appreciate all your work very much

Thank You

Thanks to all who continue to contribute during these lockdown' days.

Office to Library

Preparations are well underway to use 'The Library' as the Parish Office and as a Meeting Room.

EIR are to provide broadband this week to complete stability of the webcam and to have phone and internet facilities in the 'Library.'

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SAFEGUARDING:

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