

INISTIÖGE PARISH

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

WEEKEND MASSES

Vigil: The Rower 7.30 p.m.

Sunday: Clodiagh 9.30 a.m.; Inistiöge 11.00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

The Rower: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 a.m.

Inistiöge: Wednesday & Friday 9.30 a.m.

Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time - 3rd October 2021

Last Year's Sixth Classes Confirmed

We are delighted that the 6th classes of our schools will eventually receive the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. Congratulations to all the girls and boys who receive the Sacrament.

We thank the schools and all the teachers involved, particularly as these girls and boys have now moved on to second level schools since September.

Our gratitude, also, to the parents, sponsors and all who assisted in any way with this weekend's celebrations in our parish.

Long may these young people be witnesses to the Holy Spirit in their lives.

Saint Colmcille's Well

As you know, owing to pandemic restrictions, the annual Mass at St Colmcille's Well did not take place this year on 9th June, which was the Abbot's Feast Day.

However, at that time, Bishop Denis Nulty, kindly offered to visit the parish and celebrate the Saint's Feast when circumstances might permit. Bishop Denis has now offered to visit the parish on Sunday, November 7th.

He proposes that this be a '**Cluster Mass**' - involving our cluster partner, Thomastown parish, and all the main groups and committees (church & secular) in the two parishes where a sharing of the prayers and music should also take place.

Following the Mass, and weather permitting, a procession to St Colmcille's Well will take place where prayers, dedication and a blessing will conclude the visit. Hopefully, tea, coffee and refreshments can then be made available for all assembled.

Caretaker

A part-time Caretaker is required for Marymount N.S. The Rower.

Anyone interested should please contact the school for further details on the position on (051) 423838 or (089) 4179517.

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: Mikey Murphy, Kiltown; Alice Friel, Rosenallis, Laois.

Anniversaries: John Walsh, Kiltown (7.30pm); George & Mary Lanigan, Ballygub (9.30am); Harry Baird & his son, Robert, who died recently; Patrick Murphy, Ballyshane (11.00am).

Next w/e: Séamus Foskin, Kilconly, Neddy Kehoe, The Rower Village and Jim Kilbride, Russelstown (7.30pm); Mary Caulfield, Coolnamuck (month's mind 9.30am); Pierce & Mary Freaney, Ballygub (11.00am).

Marriage & Divorce

Old Love

The question is asked, "Is there anything more beautiful in life than a boy and a girl clasping clean hands and pure hearts in the path of marriage? Can there be any thing more beautiful than young love?"

And the answer is given. "Yes there is a more beautiful thing. It is the spectacle of an old man and an old woman finishing their journey together on that path. Their hands are gnarled, but still clasped; their faces

are seamed but still radiant; their hearts are physically bowed and tired, but still strong with love and devotion for one another.

Yes there is a more beautiful thing than young love. Old love."

Henry Ford

"The secret of my success in my married life and in my business is the same", said, Henry Ford on the 50th anniversary of his wedding - "I don't change models every now and then; instead I stick on to one and try to improve it."

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