

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 11.00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

The Rower: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 a.m.

Inistioge: Wednesday & Friday 9.30 a.m.

Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time - 17 October 2021

IT'S NOT WHERE YOU SIT, BUT HOW YOU SERVE

"Feel free to call on your Commander-in-Chief"

During the American Revolution, a man in civilian clothes rode past a group of soldiers who were busy pulling out a horse carriage stuck in deep mud. Their officer was shouting instructions to them while making no attempt to help. The stranger who witnessed the scene asked the officer why he wasn't helping. With great dignity, the officer replied, "Sir, I am a Corporal!" The stranger dismounted from his horse and proceeded to help the exhausted soldiers himself.

When the job was completed, he turned to the corporal and said, "Mr. Corporal, next time you have a job like this, and don't have enough men to do it, inform your commander-in-chief, and I will come and help you again."

Too late, the proud Corporal recognized General Washington, the president of America. Washington understood that those who aspire to greatness or rank first among others must serve the needs of all.

Where did Washington learn such leadership skills? There is no doubt, but he learned them here, in these words of Jesus: ***"Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant."*** The young corporal had these words modelled for him by the man at the top. Jesus' disciples, likewise, receive from their leader a picture of servanthood.

Today's Scripture readings describe leadership as the service of others and offer Jesus as the best example. They explain the servant leadership of Jesus, pinpointing service and sacrifice as the criteria of greatness in Christ's kingdom.

Bereavements

Month's Minds: Sr M Canice Walsh, formerly Ballygub, 9.30am; Maura Lee, Mill Road, (11.00am).

Anniversaries: Oonagh Purcell, Ballygub; Paddy Moffitt, Roscommon; Jim & Peg Holden, Brownsford;

Next w/e: Sinéad Breen, Raheenduff & Bridget Walsh, Tinnislatty (7.30pm); Richard Walsh, Ballygub & Patrick Meaney, Ballinabarna (9.30am); Paddy Lawlor, Ballygallon (11.00am).

Eucharistic Services

On weekdays for the next two weeks, instead of Mass, there will be a Eucharistic Service at the normal mass times in Inistioge and The Rower churches.

These services contain many of the elements of the Mass except, for example, the Eucharistic Prayer and the Consecration.

They begin with the Penitential Rite, the Liturgy of The Word & Prayers of The Faithful, and the Holy Communion Rite.

We express our grateful to those who agree to lead these services when there's no priest available, which will happen from time to time.

'Love's Portrait'

A U.S. Movie Production Company is currently producing a low budget film, ***Love's Portrait***, based in Inistioge. The story revolves around an American woman coming to Ireland to discover the identity of the person who painted a picture that was sent to her museum in the U.S.

She teams up with the local post master who helps her track down the artist and they end up falling in love. It's an old fashioned love story with no controversial subject matters. In the coming days they will film one scene in St Colmcille's church and one scene in the courtyard next to the church.

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