

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area - Thomastown & Inistioge Parishes

Inistioge Parish

Inistioge Parish Mass Times

Vigil:	The Rower	7.30 p.m.
Sundays:	Clodiagh	9.30 a.m.;
	Inistioge	11.00 a.m.
Weekdays:	The Rower	9.30 a.m. (Tue & Thur)
	Inistioge	9.30 a.m. (Wed & Fri)

Thomastown Parish Mass Times

Vigil:	Thomastown	6.00 p.m.
Sundays:	Thomastown	10.30 a.m.
Weekdays:	Thomastown	9.20 a.m.
		on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

(weekday mass times may occasionally change according to circumstances)

Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time - 5th February 2023

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area Revisited

In December 2019, Bishop Dermot Farrell issued a pastoral letter entitled: **Our Living Church**. As a consequence, thirteen pastoral areas within the diocese were established - groupings that were meant to help individual parishes become more alive and be in a position to offer an even greater level of service in their communities.

At that time our parish was 'clustered' with Thomastown and, using the saint that is important to each parish, it became the **St Colmcille's Pastoral Area**.

Last week, representatives from the Pastoral Council of each parish held a meeting in our Parish Office. Various discussions and initiatives were aired and discussed.

It was recognised that cooperation around Funerals, Sick Calls and Holiday Cover is already taking place. Also, Mass times are now on the heading of each of our Parish Newsletters. Greater cooperation within the Pastoral Area will continue to become manifest as regards other Sacraments and Parish activities into the future.

Concert

In aid of Crumlin Hospital

A Concert of Peace, Love and Reconciliation in aid of Crumlin Children's Hospital will take place in The Rower Hall on Saturday week, 18th February, at 8.30pm.

Admission fee: €10. Your support for this worthy cause will be greatly appreciated.

Graiguenamanagh Library

Digital Drop in – starting Wed Feb 22nd 11-12pm. Need help with your mobile phone, tablet or laptop? Contact Graig library on 056 7794178 to book a place, one to one help.

Irish classes for beginners. Adult Irish classes with Mícheál starting Wed Feb 15th for 8 weeks from 11am-12.30.

Baby rhyme time, children 0-5years every Thursday 10am. No need to book.

Children's story time and craft every Saturday morning 11am.

CHY3 Certs

If you received a 'CHY3' Certificate during the week please sign and return it now.

If you got one and it doesn't apply to your circumstances, please let us know and you will not get one again.

Playschool

The Rower Preschool is now taking registrations for September 2023. Open morning on Sat. 25th Feb. from 10am to 12 noon. Enquiries to Betty at 0879502185.

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: Bridget Grace, Kilcross.

Month's Mind: Mary O'Neill, Deerpark (11.00am)

Anniversaries: Dick Lanigan, Ballygub (9.30am); Mai & Mick Dunphy, Ballyvoole; and Frances & George Bassett, Woodstock (11.00am); Patrick Lyng, Russelstown; Fr Paddy Grace, former P.P.;

Next w/e: William & Nora Walsh, Briget Galavan and Sr Canice Walsh, all from Ballygub (9.30am); Eamonn Flood & deceased members of the Flood family, Russelstown; and Jack & Katie O'Keefe, Carrenroe Upper (7.30pm); Mick & Josie Brennan, Coolnamuck (M. Mind 11.00am).

Ceremonies of Light

By way of ongoing and immediate preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmations the Ceremony of Light will take place in The Rower Church for all children from 5th & 6th Classes, The Rower N.S., on **Wednesday at 7.30pm**.

The Ceremony of Light will take place in Inistioge for the 5th & 6th Classes, Inistioge N.S., on **Thursday evening at 6.30 pm**.

We look forward to a large turnout on both occasions from all families.

Marymount NS

The Rower NS will be accept applications for admission on 25th January until 8th February.

A copy of the Admission policy and Application Form are available to download at : <http://marymountns.ie> or on request by emailing therowerschool@gmail.com Queries are very welcome – just call the school at 051-423838.

Last Week's Collection

€ 803

Many thanks to all who contributed

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Newsletter Deadline: Thursday 12.00 noon

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SAFEGUARDING:

IF YOU HAVE A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN CONTACT:

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OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES ARE:

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