St Colmcille's Pastoral Area - Thomastown & Inistinge 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, Wednes-

days & Fridays

(weekday mass times may occasionally change according to circumstances)

Third Sunday of Easter - 23rd April 2023

# **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

This Sunday, in Inistioge Church at 11.00am mass, two new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - *Susan Malone and Edel Treacy* - will be commissioned for the service of distributing the Eucharist at masses and, when necessary, to the sick and housebound.

This ceremony normally takes place on Holy Thursday, but may take place at another time when the Holy Thursday mass takes place in another church. The commissioning ceremony exhorts the new ministers to be "examples of Christian living in faith and conduct" and to "strive to grow in holiness through this sacrament of unity and love."

On behalf of the church community, the priest asks the candidates:

"Are you resolved to undertake the office of giving the body and blood of the Lord to your brothers and sisters and so serve to build up the Church?" And "Are you resolved to administer the Holy Eucharist with the utmost care and reverence?" to which they answer: "I am."

Then the candidates kneel and the priest invites the faithful to pray:

Merciful Father, Creator and guide of your family,

bless + our sisters, Susan and Edel.

May they faithfully give the bread of life to your people.

And strengthened by this sacrament,

may they come at last to the banquet of heaven.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We thank and congratulate Edel and Susan for their generosity in becoming Eucharistic Ministers. We also thank all Ministers of the Eucharist in each of our churches for the invaluable service they provide, day after day, and week after week in our parish. It's greatly appreciated by all our parishioners.

### Bereavements

**Anniversaries:** Mickey Cottrell, Coolshane; and Alice & Michael Tierney, The Hatchery (11.00am).

**Next w/e:** Seán Kelly, Mangan (7.30pm M Mind); John & Bridget Cummins, Ballygub (9.30am).

## Slow to Recognise Greatness (like today's Gospel)

Karl Barth, one of the 20th century's most famous theologians, was on a streetcar one day in Basel, Switzerland, where he lived and lectured. A tourist to the city sat down next to Barth. They started chatting with each other. "Are you new to the city?" Barth inquired.

"Yes," said the tourist.

"Is there anything you would particularly like to see in this city?" asked Barth.

"Yes," he said, "I'd love to meet the famous theologian Karl Barth.
Would you happen to know him?"

Barth replied, "Well as a matter of fact, I do. I give him a shave every morning."

The tourist couldn't wait to get off the streetcar. He rushed back to his hotel to tell his fellow tourists,

"Guess what: I actually met Karl Barth's barber today."

### Darkness into Light

The *Darkness into Light Walk* takes place in Inistioge on Saturday morning *May 6th at 4.15am.* All proceeds are in aid of Pieta House. On-line registration is taken.

### Last Weekend's Collection € 737 Many Thanks To All

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