

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)

Pentecost Sunday - 28th May 2023

The Feast of Pentecost

The feast of Pentecost brings to a close the season of Easter because the gift of the Spirit is the inevitable outcome of the death and resurrection of Jesus. The church understood clearly that what happened to Jesus on Easter Sunday was not just an amazing miracle to prove that he really was the Son of God.

It was rather the next step in God's desire to heal, once and for all, the relationship between himself and a broken humanity. Now the outpouring of the Spirit of Jesus means that our relationship with God is fundamentally transformed. So let's celebrate of our new life in the Spirit and the birthday of the church as the new people of God.



A People of Freedom and New Song

There was a lot of need for forgiveness around in the first group of Jesus' followers. They had let him down and had let each other down. They looked around and like any group felt memories of hurt shame, let-down, injury and harm. They saw those who had abandoned Jesus and tried to cover up the sin; or they saw others who just knew they had done wrong and were sorry. All were forgiven.

And all are now called into the following of Christ. We follow Christ with all sorts of personal gifts, talents and sins in our back-pack. Like people on pilgrimage, we are cluttered. The Holy Spirit opens our hearts to let this baggage just fly away! We are people of freedom and of a new song.

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: Lizzy Fogarty, Bodalmore, Kilkenny; Pat Carroll, Blessington, formerly Ballinagoth.

Anniversaries: Billy Kirwan, Mill Road & John Tierney, Hatchery (11.00am); Tony O'Mahony, Coolraoney; Tommy O'Leary, High St.; John O'Leary, Kilcross; John Higgins, Garnavabby.

Next w/e: Mick Meaney, Cullaun, and Michael & Anna Corcoran, Carrigeen (7.30pm); Phil Murphy, Cappagh, Imelda O'Carroll, Mill Road, and Bridget Foley, Killeen (11.00am).

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, send workers into your harvest.

May the Spirit we received in baptism touch the hearts of many to offer themselves in priesthood, religious life and other forms of service.

Give to the parents and families of our Parish the wisdom and courage to support young people in searching for and following the call of God in their lives.

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Ossory AFD will conduct a pilgrimage to The Holy Land, **February, 19th to 26th. Cost €1615 p.p. sharing.**

Booking: www.myriam.ie or call 057 935 5050. Included: Flights; 3 nights Bethlehem; 3 nights Nazareth; breakfast & dinner daily; all bus-tours & religious programs.

Not suitable for anyone with mobility issues. Full details on noticeboard.

Last Week's Collection

€ 844

Thanks for your support

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