

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)

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 20th August 2023

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel Matthew 15:21-28

1. Having met with rejection from the Pharisees Jesus goes to Gentile territory and encounters unexpected faith in the Canaanite woman. His mission had previously been to his own people. This adds a new dimension to his mission. Have you had occasions when a chance encounter set your life off in a new direction?
2. The initial reaction of Jesus to the woman was one of rejection but her persistence won a response from him. When have you found that persistence was needed to gain what you sought? What did that experience teach you?
3. In our days of widespread migration welcoming the stranger can be a challenge. We are more comfortable with our own. What difference has it made, to you and to others, when you were able to offer a friendly welcoming face to a stranger?
4. Who are the 'Canaanite women' who call out for attention today — people in Church or State whose needs are not being attended to?

Please Note

**Until further notice,
The Priest-on-Call
(in emergencies) will be
Fr Dan Bollard, Thomastown
087 664 4858**

**Office open at usual times:
Wed. 9.00 - 2.00 & Thur. 2.00 - 4.00**

Rower Inistioge GAA

Congratulations to our U13 panel and management on winning our Michael Meaney Memorial Tournament. Thanks to all clubs who took part, and to the Bord na nÓg organising Committee and all who assisted in making it a memorable event for all.

Bereavements

Month's Mind: Danny McDonald, Thomastown Rd (11.00am)

Anniversaries: Paddy & Bridget Dwyer, Garranavabby; Tom O'Mahoney, Kylemore; Pádraig Walsh, Kiltown; Mary Fleming, Kiltown, and deceased members of the Fleming Family (7.30pm); Mollie and Dick Kelly, Coolshane (11.00am) Martin and Julia Butler, Woodstock; Bill Kelly, Woodstock.

Next w/e: Elaine Walsh, "Georgies" Cluen; Brigid and James Roche, Bohilla (11.00 am).

Keep Her Lit Festival

The Keep Her Lit Folk and Traditional Music Festival

returns to Inistioge village this weekend, Friday to Sunday. Conceived to honour the memory of Dave Donohoe and Johnny O'Donnell, it consists of free trad sessions, an outdoor concert, workshops, walks, a food & craft market, etc. Please follow parking signs and note that there's designated parking for residents and churchgoers at the GAA grounds. General parking will be restricted during the weekend.

South Kilkenny Historical Society

Heritage Week 2023 Event
Mystery Tour of Mooncoin
Sunday, August 20th
Starting point and time:
Main gate Mooncoin Parish Church
@ 2.30pm. Free - all welcome

Last Week's Collection

€ 997

Many Thanks

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Office Hours: Wed. 9 - 2 & Thur. 2 - 4

Newsletter Deadline: Thursday 3.00 pm

Secretary: Sandra Cullen **Office:** 056 775 8581

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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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