

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)

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 15th October 2023

SYNOD UPDATE

As the Synod in Rome continues the 400 members are gathering in the Paul VI hall at the rear of St Peter's Basilica.

All gathered are seated at round tables and all, irrespective of "role", are given the same time to speak. Pope Francis has worked to ensure that all gathered can speak freely but also that they truly make listening a priority.

He has noted that at this gathering the Holy Spirit is not merely present but should be seen as the "protagonist" guiding the discussions.

He requested confidentiality on the part of Synod members, and in this sense a "fasting from public speech".

And it seems to be working .

The Synod members are respecting this freedom to talk and listen with fear of being quoted. Maybe the Spirit is truly the protagonist...

Parish Pastoral Council

A Pastoral Council meeting will take place in the Parish Office ('Library') on Thursday next at 7.00 pm.

All members are invited to attend.

The Rower

For those who say they 'lost' or 'forgot' to read last week's Newsletter, we inform them once again this week, ... !!

The Rower Church will be redecorated between Mon. 23rd Oct. and Wed. 1st Nov. Consequently, Mass on Sat. 28th Oct. and Tues. 31st Oct. (All Saints Vigil) will be in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Concert

Cois Nore Choir will perform a concert in St. Colmcille's Church, Inistioge, next Friday, October 20th at 8.00pm.

Donations on the night for the Rower Inistioge St Vincent de Paul Society.

Refreshments will be served afterwards in Cois Abhann community centre.

All are invited to support this very worthy cause.

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: Denis O'Brien, Raheendenore.

Anniversaries: Paddy Moffitt, Toomona and Deceased Members of the McGreevy family, Roscommon & USA (9.30am); John & Martina Shortt, Wicklow, and deceased members of the Shortt & Dempsey families; Harry Baird, Inistioge; Patrick Murphy, Ballyshane (11.00); Margaret Holden, Brownsford; Michael Murphy, Ballycocksuist; Oonagh Purcell, Ballygub.

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

'Occasional Collections'

In recent years those who get Envelope Boxes to support the parish fund and the clergy fund find that six extra envelopes have been added:

1. Lourdes Fund; 2. Lent Alms; 3. Emigrants; 4. Peters Pence; 5. Missions; and 6. Retired Priests.

Although well supported, this system has proved to be very cumbersome and doesn't include those without boxes. So, from January, these collections will revert to being '**Church Door**' collections as they were in the past & still continue in most parishes.

Hearts on Fire 
FEET ON THE MOVE

Next Sunday Mission Sunday. Pope Francis, in his message reflects on the theme "**Hearts on fire, feet on the move,**" based on the story of the disciples who encounter Jesus on their way to Emmaus.

Last Week's Collection

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Thank You

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