

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area - Thomastown & Inistioge Parishes

## INISTI OGE 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 of Lent - 6th April 2025

### 'The Light of Faith' Ceremony

The **Handing on The Light of Faith** Ceremony, as part of the preparation for our 70 pupils for Confirmation, takes place this week: **Tuesday 7.00pm The Rower**, and **Wednesday 7.00pm Inistioge**.

When parents take a light from the Paschal Candle at their children's Baptism, it is a sign of the faith that they are going to hand on to their children in their formative years. Now, once again, the parents are invited to take a light from the Paschal Candle and to hand this on to their children. In doing this they are saying to your children: "We will be with you to support you as you try to live out the call of your Confirmation, as you work for a world of truth, justice, peace and love and try to live a Spirit-filled life." And, as they hand the candle to their children, the parents say, "Let us together keep the **Light of Faith** burning in your life."



## Taizé

Join the Taizé Chant Choir for Good Friday, 18th April 2025 at 7.00 p.m. "A Taizé Chant Choir is forming to take part in the Annual Diocesan Good Friday Walk Prayer Service, led by Bishop Niall.

If you are drawn to the prayer, spirituality and music of Taizé, we invite you to join us for our Rehearsal & Workshop on Thursday, 10th April at 7.30 p.m. in St. Fiacre's Church, Loughboy, Kilkenny. Instrumentalists are also welcome. Come along and be part of this beautiful, meditative prayer through music

**Good Friday Walk Prayer Service,**  
**theme: "The Cross, A Sign of Hope."**

## Memorial Mass

A Memorial Mass for the late **Andy Martin** will be celebrated next Friday in The Rower at 7.00 p.m. Andy, who was the husband of Corina Grace, Ballavara, died on Jan. 22nd in the U.K. where they lived.

## Bereavements

**Anniversaries:** Andrew, Mary & Jim Drea, Kilmacshane (9.30am); Peg & Pat White, Hatchery Lane; Jim Holden, Brownsford; Yvonne Croke, Coolraney (11.00am).

**Next w/e Annivs:** Paul Muldoon (M. Mind 9.30am); Maureen Kissane, Ballybunion (11.00am).

### NEXT WEEKEND

### CHURCH-DOOR COLLECTION

### LENTEN ALMS

THANK YOU

## ActionAid Ireland

Thank you so much for your Christmas fundraiser and gift of €1100 to ActionAid Ireland. Please rest assured that your support will be put to good use helping those who need it most in Gaza. Our priority is getting emergency medical supplies and fuel across to those who need it most.  
Yours sincerely,  
**Karol Balfe, CEO ActionAid Irl.**

## Every Life Counts

**Every Life Counts** would like to thank everyone for their very generous contribution to our Church Gate Collection last weekend, which amounted to €457.15.

## Public lecture

Public lecture by John Kiwan on **'Lady Louisa Tighe of Woodstock (1803-1900) a life well spent'** on Thursday, 10th April, at 7.30pm in **Cois Abhann**, Inistioge.  
Admi: €5, Concession €3 Light refreshments served.

## Last Week's Plate Collection

€ 970

Thank You

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### SAFEGUARDING:

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### OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES ARE:

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