

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

(NB: weekday mass times may occasionally change according to circumstances)

SS Peter & Paul, Apostles - 29th June 2025

Next Weekend

please support

The Annual - Church Door

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

THANK YOU

To Clarify

The clerical appointments for the Diocese of Ossory, announced last weekend, are effective from Saturday, 30th August 2025.

Be Safe & Happy

As our children from both primary schools get their Summer holidays we take this opportunity to wish them and the entire staff of both schools a very safe and happy holiday after a busy year's work.

We trust that the children will play their part at home, taking their fair share of the chores before they seek trips to the seaside, shops, towns, etc.

Peter's Pence

'Peter's Pence' came from the 9th Century custom of collecting money for the pope. Today, Peter's Pence supports a range of charities bringing aid to the poor, children, families, elderly, marginalised, victims of war and natural disasters, refugees and migrants. Your generous support is much appreciated.

First Friday

Friday next is the First Friday of July. The housebound will be visited with Holy Communion at the usual times.

Old Cemetery Mass On Friday

The Annual Cemetery Mass will be celebrated in the **Old Cemetery in Inistioge next Friday at 7.30 pm**. All families are urged to ensure that their family graves are fittingly maintained in memory of their loved ones interred in this graveyard. Credit is due to those who work to keep the general condition of this cemetery in excellent shape.

On the following Friday, also at 7.30pm, the Cappagh Cemetery Mass will be celebrated. And The Rower Cemetery Mass will be the Vigil mass for the feast of the Assumption as usual - 14th August, at 7.30pm.

Bereavements

Anniversaries: Deceased members of the Bolger family, Coolnamuck and the Doyle Family, Newtown (9.30am); Mick & Mai Dunphy, Ballyvoole (11.00am).

Next w/e: Martin Kavanagh, Raheenduff (7.30pm); James Roach & Bridget Roach, Ballygub (9.30am).

The Founding Fathers

Today the Church celebrates the great feast of its "founding fathers," Peter and Paul. This is one of the principal holy days of the liturgical years that take precedence when it falls on a Sunday. The readings for the Vigil and Day all recount important events in the lives and ministries of these two great apostles. While the Gospel readings naturally focus on Peter, they speak to Christ's great call to all baptized men and women of every age to the vocation of apostle.

General Tito & Fulton Sheen

Careless words can hurt people. Not only can they influence a person's self worth, they can actually shape that person's destiny. If you doubt that, consider these two stories.

General Tito: One day in a small country church, an altar boy accidentally dropped the altar wine. The priest

slapped him and shouted, "Leave, and don't come back!"

That boy became General Tito, the brutal communist dictator who ruled the people of Yugoslavia for years.

Fulton Sheen: In a big city cathedral, another altar boy dropped the altar wine. His bishop turned to him and whispered reassuringly, "It is ok, someday you will be a great priest." That boy became Archbishop Fulton Sheen, whose sermons touched the heart of millions on national television.

Your words either build people up or tear them down. What comes out of our lips reveal what is our heart, and our 'I didn't mean it' doesn't change that or undo the damage.

Last Week's Collection

Plate: € 1014

Many Thanks

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