

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. Tuesday
	Inistioge	9.30 a.m. Thursday

Thomastown Parish Mass Times

Vigil:	Thomastown	6.00 p.m.
Sundays:	Thomastown	10.00 a.m.
Weekdays:	Thomastown	9.30 a.m. -
		Wednesdays & Fridays.

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

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 12th October 2025



... for example: Winston Churchill loved to tell the story of the little boy who fell off a pier into deep ocean water. An older soldier, heedless of the great danger to himself, dove into the stormy water, struggled with the boy, and finally exhausted, brought him to safety. Two days later the boy's mother came with him to the same pier seeking the sailor who rescued her son. Finding him she asked, "You dove into the ocean to bring my boy out?" "I did," he replied. The mother quickly demanded, "Then where's his hat?"

Annual Senior Citizens Christmas Party 2025

This year's Christmas Party will take place in Newpark Hotel Kilkenny, Sunday 30th November. A sit-down meal will be served at 1pm. Bus from The Rower at 11.30am. Prizes, Bingo & Surprises. All welcome. Tickets from The Rower & Inistioge Post Offices.

Catechists

The followers of Jesus have always passed on the faith to others. This has never been the work of just priests, but to 'lay-catechists'. At least two or three candidates from pastoral area welcome to 'discern' and train.

MISSION SUNDAY

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday and the Church Door Collection will be taken up at all masses. These funds go in their entirety to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. This year's theme is: "Missionaries of Hope Among Peoples"

Bereavements

Anniversaries: Anne & Jimmy Mahon, Farrentemple (7.30pm); Peggy O'Leary, High Street; Dr Gar O'Brien, Sunnysdale; Stephen Keher, The Square (11.00am).

Next w/e: Sinéad Breen, née Mernagh, Raheenduff (7.30pm); Richard Walsh, Ballygub (11.00am).

Mission Month

"Lord, may all children in the world share love, share friendship and live in the peace of your love, Amen."

Two Priests from Ghana

Next week two Ghana priests, Fr. Paul Tanko Kasu and Fr. Felix Bonkaanaie Kuulare will come for periods of three to four years to work here in Ossory. Both have extensive experience in pastoral ministry and in holding offices of responsibility in their diocese. Each will be appointed to Kilkenny City parishes as it was felt that an urban environment, at least

for their first year here, would be more conducive.

Rosary

A public ROSARY in honour of Our Lady of Fatima will take place in The Square, Inistioge, on **Monday 13th October at 3.00pm.**

Pope Leo has asked that everyone dedicate this month to praying the Rosary for Peace in the World. All are invited.

Last Week's Collection

Plate: € 959

Many Thanks

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