

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)

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 18th January 2026

Dates for Your Calendar

- ◆ **ST BRIGID:** Sunday, 1st February. Abbess, Secondary Patron of Ireland.
- ◆ **ST BLAISE:** Tuesday, February 3rd. Blessing of throats in Inistioge Parish at the 9.30am Mass in The Rower; and on Wednesday in Thomastown at the 9.30am Mass.
- ◆ **ASH WEDNESDAY:** 18th February. Day of Fast & Abstinence.
- ◆ **ST PATRICK:** Tuesday, 17th March. Bishop, Principal Patron of Ireland.
- ◆ **PALM SUNDAY:** 29th March.
- ◆ **EASTER SUNDAY:** 5th April. The Resurrection of The Lord.
- ◆ **FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:** Saturday, 16th May at 11.00 am.
- ◆ **PENTECOST SUNDAY:** 23rd May. Conclusion of the Easter Season.
- ◆ **CORPUS CHRISTI:** 7th. June. Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ.

Lourdes Pilgrimage

The Ossory pilgrimage to Lourde will take place from May 25 to May 30, 2026. All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours by telephone 01-2410800, or online www.joewalstours.ie/pilgrimages/group-diocesan-pilgrimages/ or by post to JWT 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2, D02WY88.

SPECIAL ASSISTED/SICK SECTION

Pilgrims wishing to travel with the Special Assisted Section should apply to Anna Colleton at a.colleton@cbskilkenney.ie
This section is accommodated at the Accueil. Acceptance for travel with the special section for the sick is subject to the approval of the Pilgrimage Medical Board.
Early booking is advisable as space is limited to the capacity of one plane.

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: Johnny Hynes, Marley, St. Mullins, late of The Rower. Funeral mass on Tuesday at 2.00pm in Glynn. Interment St. Mullins Cemetery.

Anniversaries: Óisín, Jack & Margaret Crotty, The Rower Village, & deceased members of the Crotty family; Willie & Minnie Curran, Knockatore, & deceased members of the Curran family; Tom & Kathleen Lyng, Carrenroe; Paddy & Maggie Lyng, Tinnislatty; Paddy & Elizabeth Lyng, Kiltown; (7.30pm); Monica Lanigan, Cluen; Mick & Josie Brennan, Coolnamuck (9.30am); Jack & Stasia Cahill, Mill Road (11.00am).

Next w/e: Paddy Kelly, Coolhill; Deceased members of the Mackey family, Kylemore; Bridget and Delia Brennan, Ballynunney (7.30pm); Nuala Prendergast, Forest Hills; Denis & Kathleen Scanlon, Keatingstown, Wicklow (11.00am).

Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place from 18-25 January. The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for 2026 comes from Apostle Paul's letter to the Ephesians: "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling" (Eph. 4:4). For the year 2026, the prayers and

reflections for the Week were prepared by the Inter-Church Relations Department of the Armenian Apostolic Church, along with their brothers and sisters of the Armenian Catholic and Evangelical Churches.

Last Week's Collection

Plate: € 1467

Many Thanks

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