

INISTIOGE PARISH

St Colmcille's, Inistioge | St Brendan's, Clodiagh | The Assumption, The Rower

WEEKEND MASSES

Vigil: The Rower 7.30 p.m.

Sunday: Clodiagh 9.30 a.m.; Inistioge 11.30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

The Rower: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 a.m.

Inistioge: Wednesday & Friday 9.30 a.m.

Third Sunday of Advent - 13th December 2020

Not Very Good News Really

UPDATED HSE GUIDANCE FOR RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Most of us are familiar with guidelines that the Government & HSE have issued over the past number of months. The numbers allowed at masses; the wearing of masks; about how we are to stay away from services if ill with symptoms of COVID-19 or other infectious disease, or if you have been in contact with a person with COVID-19 in the last 14 days.

Some more stringent restrictions have appeared in the most recent guidance from the HSE regarding religious services.

For example: Services should not exceed one hour (**this includes entrance and exit times**) with at least one hour between services to allow for cleaning and ventilation and to avoid crowding/overlap.

And, the most stringent of all, especially during the Christmas Season, is this one: **Congregational singing, choir singing and carol singing is not permitted**, due to the increased risk of spreading virus to others present at the service.

However, we can only concede that this restriction is applied in the interests of the health and safety of both ourselves and of our neighbour.

Masses In Our Parish This Christmas

CHRISTMAS EVE

4.30 The Rower
6.00 Inistioge
7.30 The Rower
9.00 Inistioge

CHRISTMAS DAY

8.30 The Rower
9.30 Clodiagh
11.00 Inistioge

Bereavements

Recently Deceased:

Annie O'Brien, Cullintra, The Rower.
Jim Treacy, Cahir and formerly of Coolraney, Inistioge.

Anniversaries:

Michael Flood, Coolhill & deceased members of Flood & Delahunty families. (Sat. 7.30 pm).

Mark Parlevleit, Holland and Ballygub. (Sun 9.30).

Dick & Bridget Tierney, Kilcross, & Thomas Hackett, Kilcross (Sun 11.30).

Annie Nancy Prendergast, Corrigeen; Charles, Dick and Noel Dempsey, High Street, Inistioge.

Anniversaries Next Week:

Pat McDonald & parents, Maggie & Paddy, Ballinagoth. Paddy McGrath, Kiltown. Dick & Anastasia Lyng, Upper Carrenroe, Jim Hennessy, Ballavarra - All at 7.30 p.m.

Brendan Murphy, Ballyshane & Bernie Blanchfield, Lisdowney (11.30).
Baby Mia O'Carroll, Inistioge (Wed).

OFFERING BOXES

During these COVID days we remind you that the **Offertory & Envelope Collections** are taken up in Boxes at the church doors. Your support is appreciated.

Every Little Helps

Help (*male & female!*) will be appreciated for cleaning of the Rower Church this Wednesday evening around 7.00 p.m.

Super Saturday

Best wishes to Emma Kavanagh and all Kilkenny Camogie Team in the All Ireland on Saturday.

"An Macalla "

Local Rower/Inistioge history & news now available at €5.

Memorial Tree

The annual Memorial Tree will be erected in The Rower Cemetery at this weekend. No carol singing. Feel free to place your message or photographs on it.

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SAFEGUARDING:

IF YOU HAVE A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN CONTACT

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