

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 11.00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

The Rower: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 a.m.
Inistioge: Wednesday & Friday 9.30 a.m.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 25th July 2021

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Pope Francis has recently established a **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**, which takes place for the first time this w/e on the theme '**I am with you always**' (Mt 28:20).

Bishop Denis Nulty, chair of the Bishops' Council for Marriage and the Family has welcomed Pope Francis' World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, as a timely reminder for the whole Church to be close to all the elderly and grandparents at this time of pandemic.

Bishop Nulty said, "There have been so many unsung heroes and heroines during the pandemic – grandparents and elders, including our older priests and religious – all who are to be applauded for how they have coped with the challenges and uncertainty brought about by the Covid-19 pandemic. As a society we have learned a lot from their stoicism and pragmatism in the face of so many challenges.

"Throughout his papacy Pope Francis has reminded us to value the many gifts of grandparents and the elderly. Not only are our young people called to be present in the lives of older people, but so too grandparents and elders have a mission to encourage young people on their faith journey.

'Pope Francis says the Lord continues to send angels to console our loneliness and to remind us that 'He is with us always'.

'He says that these angels sent to console us will at times have the face of our grandchildren, while at other times, the face of family members, lifelong friends or those we have come to know during these trying times, when we have learned how important hugs and visits are for each of us.'

Bishop Nulty concluded, "I would love to see parishes in every diocese across
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Bereavements

Anniversaries: Nellie McGrath, Kiltown (Sat 7.30pm); Mary Lanigan, Laurel Hill (Sun 11.00am).

Next w/e: Kathy Lyng, Tinnislatty & Sr Placidus Lyng, Wexford (7.30pm); Ann, Emily & Annmarie Clifford and Anna Fennelly (11.00am).

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the country celebrating grandparents, elders, not forgetting our older priests and religious, who have given lives of dedicated service to their families and communities. I would also encourage parishes to ensure that their local nursing care home is included in this annual celebration."

National Heritage Week

14th -22nd August 2021

National Heritage Week will take place from 14th -22nd August and we encourage all community groups to showcase their work for Heritage Week.

www.heritageweek.ie
or contact the Heritage Office, Kilkenny County Council
heritage@kilkennycoco.ie

Friends of Calcutta

Clothes Collection supporting Friends of Calcutta (CHY No: 13218) on Friday July 30th (next Friday). All items of clothing, footwear, towels, curtains etc most welcome. Sadly we are unable to accept duvets, cushions and pillows.

Collecting outside Inistioge Church from Noon to 2pm and The Rower up to 3pm. All enquiries to Michael Hopkins 087-9073074

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Office Hours: Thurs. 9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m. **Newsletter Deadline:** Thursday 9.00 a.m.

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SAFEGUARDING:

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