

INISTIÖGE 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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 8th August 2021

A Week of Conflicting Messaging

As we emerge from a week of Guidelines vs Regulations, 'Merrion-gate' & Envoys, the A.G. & Fáilte Ireland - you would be so justified in claiming to be more than '**confused**' - and that's even before we heard of 'Kilgarvan-gate'!

Despite all this confusion, some of our Bishops have come out portraying varying points of view. But the one constant denominator within all points of view, (including our parish's point of view) is the desire to proceed in a manner that protects the safety of all within the current recommended regulations.

We feel that the coming week may tell a little more with regard to the sacraments. Currently, we have Confirmations planned for the last weekend of this month, and First Holy Communions for the second half of September.

The dates for First Communions are deemed to be safe, but Confirmations may have to be pushed back by a week unless we get the 'go ahead' during the week.

Yes, it's very inconvenient for everyone concerned. Even a Crystal Ball is of no help these days. But a definite decision and date has to be announced next weekend.

'Tap to donate' - Contactless Donations

'Payzone', the Tap to Donate people, made an appointment to install the contactless units on Friday morning. Despite inconvenient 'hanging around' on a First Friday morning, they were a 'no show' until they sent a text message in the afternoon: *'the engineer got delayed ... won't make it until Monday ...'*

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: Bernadette Martin, Danesfort.

Anniversaries: Mick Murphy, Ballinabarna, Dick Murphy, Kiltown and Mary Kehoe, The Rower Village (7.30 pm Sat.); Kathleen Cassin, Ballycocksuist; Peggy Malone, Ballyshane.

Next w/e: Mary Lyng (M. Mind); Thomas Mahoney; Paddy & Bridget Dwyer, Garranavabby; Teresa Delahunty & deceased members of the Delahunty family, Ballavarra (Annivs.).

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.

To find out more see www.heritageweek.ie or contact the Heritage Office, Kilkenny County Council at heritage@kilkennycoco.ie

"I'm going to be a preacher"

After his return from Church one Sunday a small boy said, "You know what, Mommy? I'm going to be a preacher when I grow up." "That's fine," said his mother, "but what made you decide to be a preacher?" "Well," said the boy thoughtfully, "Since I have to go to Church every Sunday anyway, I think it would be much more fun to stand up there and yell than to sit still there and listen."

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