

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.

First Sunday of Lent - 6th March 2022

Archbishop Alex Thomas - Archdiocese of Bulawayo

(Re. your Trócaire Commitment)

'In the spirit of faith and in the spirit of humanity, I want to appreciate the support of the people of Ireland. I would also like to appeal to you to open your hearts as much as possible; especially regarding food shortages, livelihoods, sanitation, education and health, these are our needs. And I would say that we have nothing much to give you back, we are always grateful to you, and every Sunday, when our people gather, we can assure you of our prayers for your generosity. I can only encourage you all to keep this partnership in the spirit of our faith.'

'Without your support, we would not be able to do the work we do on your behalf. Thank you all for your time and blessings on your continued kindness and generosity'
(+Alex Thomas - Archdiocese of Bulawayo, Zimbabwe)

Journeying Through Lent

In every area of our lives there are periods of mending, renewing, and refocusing. We talk about 'spring cleaning', 'annual reviews, and 'in-service training'. Now we enter a period to renew our discipleship prior to celebrating the death and resurrection of Jesus at Easter. So now can we spend some moments considering how God our creator made us and has provided for us. Let us recall that God our saviour has called us to live in a new way and to build a world of justice and peace. Let us remember how God our inspiration Lent has three themes intertwined within it as we celebrate it.

- (1) It is a time of preparation for Easter, especially for those who are to be baptised.
- (2) It is a time of repentance and reparation for wrongs done to others around us, the larger community, and the creation.
- (3) It is a time of stocktaking and renewal in discipleship, the skills needed to be a disciple, and in the commitment to the work and activities of being a Christian.

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: Geraldine Digby, Oldcourt; Martin Naddy, Kilmacshane and Hannah Leahy, Birmingham.

Anniversaries: Pat Galavan, Cullintra (7.30pm); Hanny Hamilton, Ballygub, (9.30am); Lucy Coleman-Mealy, Castlecomer & High Street (11.00am); Statia & Billy Ashe, Inistioge; Thomas & Catherine Tennyson, Firgrove; Eddie Mason & The Roche Family, Mill Road; Patrick Farrell, Hatchery Lane.

Next w/e: Tom McGrath, Kiltown & Billy Lyng, Tinnislatty (7.30pm); Seán Caulfield, Coolnamuck (9.30am).

Newsletter

Please note that all Anniversaries and Notices for inclusion in the Newsletter to be in to the Parish Office, Mill Road, by 12.00 on Thursdays.

Cathedral Bookshop

St Mary's Gift and Bookshop is open Wed. to Fri. 9.30am-5pm. The shop has gifts suitable for Confirmations and First Holy Communions.

Priestly temptations

Four priests were spending a couple of days away. One evening they decided to tell each other their biggest temptation. The first priest said, "Well, it's kind of embarrassing, but my big temptation is gluttony." "My temptation is worse," said the second priest. "It's gambling. "Mine is worse still," said the third priest. "I sometimes can't control the urge to drink. The fourth priest was quiet. "Brothers", he said, "I hate to say this, but my temptation is worst of all. I love to gossip – and if you guys will excuse me, I'd like to make a few phone calls!"

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