

# 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.

Third Sunday of Lent - 20th March 2022

## PARISH CONFIRMATIONS

We wish all the '**Confirmandi**' - the girls & boys from our National Schools for the Sacrament of Confirmation - all the very best on the next two Fridays. Twenty three will be Confirmed from St Colmcille's National School in Inistioge Church next Friday, 25th (feast of The Annunciation) at 11.00 am. On the following Friday, April 1st, twenty four Confirmandi from Marymount National School will receive the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation in The Rower Church, also at 11.00 am. On behalf of the whole parish we wish to thank their teachers, Mr Hughes and Ms Cody, as well as the Principals of both schools for their ongoing dedication and hard work on behalf of our parish for all its children. Monsignor Dan Cavanagh, PP, VG, will be the celebrant on both occasions. We pray that these celebrations fill these young people with every gift and fruit of the Holy Spirit during these formative years of their lives.

## Nationwide Collection For Ukraine

We, the Church and the Nation, are all called upon to support Ukraine through a special nationwide collection to be taken up at all masses next weekend, 26/27 March. By episcopal encouragement, the normal St Patrick's Day emigrants collection will also go to the Ukraine Emergency Fund. The support and generosity of our parishioners is greatly appreciated at this time for a people very much in need. Non-financial support of the many groups in parishes co-ordinating the collection, delivery and distribution of food and other essentials to Ukraine is also continued to be encouraged. Let us all please continue to hold the people of Ukraine in our prayers in aspiration towards peace and stability in that region.

## Bereavements

**Anniversaries:** Pat Galavan, Kilconly (7.30pm); James O'Donnell, The Square (11.00am); Muriel Duggan, Kilcross.

**Next w/e:** (Month's mind) Geraldine Digby, Oldcourt (9.30am).

## Well Done - Marymount NS

Congratulations to the Parents Council and all involved in their recent fund-raising walk in aid of Ukraine, through The Red Cross, which raised €2940. And thanks to Zurich Insurance, this becomes €5880 as they promised to match it!

## LENT is A TIME to GROW CLOSER to JESUS

The parable of the fig tree this weekend has been called the "**Gospel of the second chance.**" The vinedresser pleads for the tree, asking that it be given another year to bear fruit. We

always live in the hope and mercy of God who keeps giving us "**second chances**" to rise from the ashes of sin to rebuild and reform our lives.

## Synodal Journey - Ossory

You are invited to the most relevant area meeting for our '**area cluster**' on Wednesday next, 23rd March, in Thomastown Hall at 7.30 pm.

## Darkness Into Light

The Darkness into Light Registration is now open on line for the 2022 DIL Walk in Inistioge on Saturday May 7th.

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### SAFEGUARDING:

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