

# Parish of Inistioge

*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 *(weekday masses may occasionally change due to circumstances)*

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent - 18th December 2022

## BEANNACHTAÍ AN TSÉASÚIR

As Christmas Day falls on a Sunday this year, we're actually having the longest Advent season possible in the church calendar.

However, as we emerge from one of the coldest Third Week of Advent in recent years, it may suddenly dawn on some of us that, because of that 'cold snap', there's still much to be done during this coming week - so, the best of luck to everyone with that!

*May this Christmas be a happy, holy & safe one for us all & our families.*



### Inistioge Concert

Come and enjoy the annual Festive Concert this Sunday 7.00pm in Inistioge Church, featuring the *Parish, In Cae-lo, and the School choirs*. There will also be a visit from the Scouts bearing *The Peace Light of Bethlehem*.

### Christmas Mass Times

**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
**The Rower: 7.30 p.m.**  
**Inistioge: 9.00 p.m.**  
**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
**Clodiagh: 9.30 a.m.**  
**Inistioge: 11.00 a.m.**

### Rower Carols

The Rower Primary School Carol Service takes place in the Rower Church at 7.00 pm this Monday. You and your family are invited to come along and enjoy the event.



## Bereavements

**Anniversaries:** James Forristal, Ferrybridge; Paddy McGrath, Kiltown (7.30pm); Mark Parlevliet, Holland & Ballygub (9.30am); Thomas O'Leary, Kilcross; Brendan Murphy, Ballyshane; Patrick McDonald and Margaret & Patrick McDonald, Ballinagoth (11.00am); Fr. Martin Cleere, former Curate; Jim & Nellie Gannon, High Street; Bridie & Jimmy Ryan, and Marie, Bridget and Paddy Ryan, Mangan & Rathgar; Charles, Noel & Dick Dempsey, High Street; Annie & Nancy Prendergast, Carrigeen; John Hanrahan, Cappagh.

**Next w/e:** Elizabeth & Michael Phelan, Main Street; Mary, Alice, Debbie & John Audley, Ballycommon.

**PLEASE NOTE:** No newsletter on Christmas Eve/Day. All the above names (plus any additions) will be remembered at all Christmas Masses.

### Thank You All

As this newsletter is being written wonderful voluntary work in all three church areas is well underway for Christmas: liturgies prepared, choir rehearsals underway, cribs and trees got ready, etc. Without the cooperation of so many church groups we would be in a poor place to celebrate the forthcoming festivities. Well done all.

### Still Not Too Late

Support the needy: give to the SVP at this urgent time of the year. Contact local branch in confidence: 087 3502915.

### 2023 Envelopes

Thank you for returning your Offering Envelopes. Next year's ones are now available - thanks to all our Distributors.

### Last Week's Collections

**Holy Day: € 739; W/E: € 964**

*Thanks to all who contributed*

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