

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area - Thomastown & Inistioge Parishes

Inistioge Parish

Inistioge Parish Mass Times

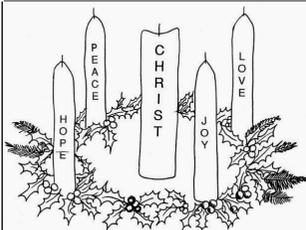
Vigil:	The Rower	7.30 p.m.
Sundays:	Clodiagh	9.30 a.m.;
	Inistioge	11.00 a.m.
Weekdays:	The Rower	9.30 a.m. (Tue & Thur)
	Inistioge	9.30 a.m. (Wed & Fri)

Thomastown Parish Mass Times

Vigil:	Thomastown	6.00 p.m.
Sundays:	Thomastown	10.30 a.m.
Weekdays:	Thomastown	9.20 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

(weekday mass times may occasionally change according to circumstances)

First Sunday of Advent - 3rd December 2023



ADVENT - A NEW CHURCH YEAR

*"Another year over,
And a new one's just begun"*

This year we have the shortest of Advents: three weeks and one day.

Advent Wreath Prayer Week 1 — Hope

On the first Sunday of Advent, we light the first candle on the Advent wreath. This candle is called the "Hope" or "Prophet's Candle," symbolizing the anticipation of the coming Messiah and the hope that He brings to the world.

The Scripture readings and prayers during this week often focus on the prophecies in the Old Testament about the promised Savior and the expectation of His arrival.

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, Advent is a time for remembering and reflecting on the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Father.

I pray that you will turn our hearts toward you as Christmas approaches. Let us not get caught up in the hustle and bustle of the season this year and miss the chance to celebrate the gifts of hope, peace, joy, love, that you sent to us on that first Christmas.

The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day Masses - Friday:

7.30 p.m. (Vigil) Rower (No 9.30am)

9.30 a.m. Clodiagh

11.00 a.m. Inistioge

Thank You - Vintage Rally

Our Parish is pleased to acknowledge with gratitude the receipt of €500 towards parish funds from the Vintage Rally Committee at a recent function in The Woodstock Arms.

We thank Robbie Hennessy, Michael Muldowney and all the hardworking committee and supporters involved.

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: Thomas Murphy, London, formerly Rosbercon; Willie Coll, St Johnston, Donegal (the Bishop's father).

Anniversaries: Eily Murphy, Kiltown; Jimmy Prendergast, Garranavabby; Deceased members of the Lyng Family, Upper Carrenroe; James Hennessy, Ballavarra (7.30pm); Tom Roche, Bohilla; Jimmy Malone, Mill Road (11.00am); Mary Cottrell, Coolshane (Wed 9.30am).

Next w/e: Paddy & Annie O'Brien, Cullintra; Michael Flood, Coolhill & deceased members of the Flood & Delahunty families (Sat 7.30pm) Breda White, Kilmacshane (Sun 11.00am).

St Vincent dePaul

Saint Vincent de Paul local Christmas blue envelopes are being distributed in the next few weeks.

If you have inadvertently received two blue envelopes please use local envelope which should be dropped in to Elma or Ina.

The funds raised are used in our parish and help throughout the year.

There's also envelopes available at the back of the church.

To contact the local conference in confidence, ring 087 3502915.

Thank you for your generous support.

Take A Risk for Christ

This year has been set aside to prayer for Diocesan Vocations.

As part of this Year of Prayer, you are invited to join with St. Joseph's Young Priests Society and Ossory Vocations in a Holy Hour, which will take place in St. Michael's Church, Danesfort on Monday, 4th at 7.00 p.m., as we come together to pray for vocations in our Diocese.

Last Week's Collection

€ 815

Thank You

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