

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)

Second Sunday of Advent - 10th December 2023

Our Hearts In Faithful Waiting

As we prepare our hearts for the celebration of Jesus' arrival as a gift to all humanity, let's stir up in our hearts and homes a sense of anticipation. May God's spirit transform the days leading up to Christmas into a time of holy anticipation as we await the to celebrate the arrival of our king.



Second Sunday of Advent

Reconciliation For Christmas

Next weekend ('Gaudete' Sunday), as we continue to keep a focus on our spiritual preparation for Christ's Birthday, we will incorporate RECONCILIATION at all Masses as a more elaborate element of the Penitential Rite.

The one physical active part of this Rite for the Congregation is that we will be invited to pick one or two straws from a basket and place them in the empty Crib as a symbol and a sign that we eagerly desire to greet Our Saviour's birthday and his coming with genuine sorrow for our sins and a desire for healing and forgiveness.

This powerful and meaningful ceremony will be in place of the homily.

Parish Envelopes

The parish envelopes are now available for distributors. Sincere thanks to all who take on this task and all parishioners who faithfully fund the parish to maintain all its property and activity.

Faith Development

All the Adult Faith Development offerings are on the A4 posters displayed in each of our churches. All these items are also found on the Diocesan website: ossory.ie Please support.

Bereavements

Anniversaries: Paddy & Annie O'Brien, Cullintra; Michael Flood, Coolhill & deceased members of the Flood & Delahunty families; Tomdy Lyng, Tintine; Tom Lyng, Wicklow (7.30pm); Breda White, Kilmacshane (11.00am); Paddy Grant, Mill Road;

Next w/e: Paddy McGrath, Kiltown (7.30pm); Mark Parlevliet, Ballygub and Holland (9.30am); Matt Drea (M Mind), Brendan Murphy, Ballyshane, Bridget & Dick Tierney, Kilcross, Tommy Hackett Kilcross (11.00am).

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT CAROL SERVICE

INISTIOGE PARISH CHURCH
SUNDAY 17th at 7.00 PM

Featuring:

INISTIOGE PARISH CHOIR
IN CAELO CHAMBER CHOIR
INISTIOGE SCHOOL CHOIR
Peace Light - INISTIOGE SCOUTS
Come along for a lovely night of traditional Christmas Carols and join in the singing of other well-known Christmas songs.

AN MACALLA

... is now available in the usual outlets in The Rower and Inistioge.

St Vincent dePaul

SVP local Christmas blue envelopes are now distributed.

Please use *the local envelope* which should be dropped in to Elma or Ina.

Funds raised are used in our parish and help throughout the year. Envelopes also available at the back of the church. To contact the local conference in confidence, call 087 3502915.

Thank you for your support.

Last Week's Collection

€ 933

Thank You

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