

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area - Thomastown & Inistioge Parishes

## Inistioge Parish

### Inistioge Parish Mass Times

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

### Thomastown Parish Mass Times

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| <b>Vigil:</b>    | Thomastown          | 6.00 p.m.      |
| <b>Sundays:</b>  | Thomastown          | 10.30 a.m.     |
| <b>Weekdays:</b> | Thomastown          | 9.20 a.m.      |
|                  | on Mondays, Wednes- | days & Fridays |

(weekday mass times may occasionally change according to circumstances)

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 21st January 2024

## Catholics Schools Week Service - The Rower Grandparents/VIP Day

A Family and Local Community Service, in conjunction with Catholic Schools Week, will be celebrated in Marymount NS next Thursday, 25th, with the students' Grandparents and VIPs.

It will begin with the celebration of mass at 9.30 in the Church of the Assumption where family members and members of the community are encouraged to join us. All are then invited down to the school for a cuppa and a visit to the classrooms of their VIPS.

## St Colmcille's N.S. - Inistioge

We are currently accepting applications for admission to St. Colmcille's NS, Inistioge for this September.

To be eligible for enrolment children must be 4 years old by 1st September 2024. The closing date for applications is 16th February. To request an application form please contact the school office on 056 7758660 or email [stcolinistiogens@gmail.com](mailto:stcolinistiogens@gmail.com).

## Marymount N.S. The Rower

Applications for next year's admissions are being accepted from January 25th until February 8th.

A copy of the schools Admission Policy and Application Form are available to download at <http://marymountns.ie> or on request by emailing the [rowerschool@gmail.com](mailto:rowerschool@gmail.com)

Ant queries please contact 051-423838.

## An Epitaph To God's Grace

In the small cemetery of a parish churchyard in Olney, England, stands a granite tombstone with this inscription:

***"John Newton, pastor, once an infidel & Libertine, a servant of slavers in Africa, was, by the rich mercy of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ, preserved, restored, pardoned, and appointed to preach the Faith he had long laboured to destroy."***

You may not remember his name, but all of us know the song he wrote as a testimony of his life: ***Amazing Grace.***

## Bereavements

**Anniversaries:** Paddy Kelly, Coolhill; Hannie Barron and The Bracken Family, Coole (7.30pm); Deceased members of the Crotty Family, The Rower; Deceased members of the Curran Family, Ballycommon; Arthur Murphy, Rathleen.

**Next w/e:** Bridget Delia Brennan, Ballynunnery; Deceased members of the Mackey Family, Kylemore (7.30pm); William & Nora Walsh, Sr Canice Walsh & Bridget Galavan, Ballygub (9.30am).

## 'Chair Aerobics'

Chair aerobics, in conjunction with Inistioge's coffee mornings, which regularly takes place on Wednesday mornings, begins very soon.

The course will last 4 weeks and will be delivered by a qualified instructor. Starting Wednesday the 31st of January in Cois Abhann at 10.30.

Contact Kathleen 0894395044 to book your place for exercise programme .All welcome.

## Sub Aqua Club

Kilkenny Sub Aqua Club will hold a church gate collection next weekend. Your support will be appreciated.

## Announcements

***... in a church bulletin for a National Prayer & Fasting Conference: "The cost for attending the 'Fasting & Prayer Conference' includes all meals."***

***A new loudspeaker system has been installed in the church. It was given by one of our members in honour of his wife.***

**Last Week's Collection:**

**€ 900**

**Thank You**

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**Office Hours:** Wed. 9 - 2 & Thur. 2 - 4

**Newsletter Deadline:** Thursday 3.00 pm

**Secretary:** Sandra Cullen **Office:** 056 775 8581

**Parish Priest:** Fr Frank Purcell 086 601 0001

### SAFEGUARDING:

#### IF YOU HAVE A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN CONTACT:

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: **Kathleen Sherry**, 085 802 1633

Deputy DLPs: **Rose Brophy**, 087 331 4330 & **Cathal Cullen**, 087 100 0232

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#### OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES ARE:

Liam Mulholland; Rebecca Ryan & Regina Bolger.

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