

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)

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 28th January 2024

Tax Relief For Donations To Eligible Charities

During the week we issued the forms, known as the '**CHY3**' Certs to all eligible persons who fit Revenue's category for Tax Relief on their donations to the parish. These certs are called '**Enduring Certificates**' because they last Five Years before renewal. Please sign and return asap. Thank you so much.

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday of February and Holy Communion will be taken to the sick at the usual times.

Friday is also the 2nd of February which is the Feast of The Presentation of The Child Jesus in the Temple.

This day has, by tradition, become known as '**Candlemas Day**' when candles are blessed during morning mass for use in the sacraments for the following twelve months.

Blessing Of Throats

Next Saturday (Feb. 3rd) is the Feast of St Blaise, bishop and doctor of the church in the 4th century.

The blessing of throats will take place in Inistioge on Saturday morning from 10.00 am to 10.30 am.

Traditionally, candles that are blessed on the previous day, (feast of The Presentation), are normally used.

Blessing of throats will take place **before mass** in The Rower, from 7.00 pm until 7.25 pm. **The blessing of throats will not be available after this Mass.**

A 'LOTTO' invitation

'Community members:

Could you please support our fund-raising goal by joining our School Lotto?

Go to www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/stcnsinistioge/ for further info and to sign up.

Thank you. Ms. Foley, School Principal...St. Colmcille's NS.'

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.

Bereavements

Recently Deceased: George Phelan, Tinnascully, The Rower.

Anniversaries: Bridget Delia Brennan, Ballynunnery; Deceased members of the Mackey Family, Kylemore (7.30pm); William & Nora Walsh, Sr Canice Walsh & Bridget Galavan, Ballygub (9.30am); Fr Patrick Grace, Inistioge; William Galavan, Kilconly; Willie Croke, Coolshane.

Next w/e: Eamonn Flood & deceased members of the Flood Family, Russelstown (7.30pm); Mai & Mick Dunphy, Ballyvoole, Nora & Bartley Grace, Kilcross and Bidy Grace, Kilcross (11.00am).

"Why don't you get off the board?"

The story of a man sitting on a board of nails, and was hurting!

A psychologist came along and said, "Sir, the reason you are hurting is rooted in a childhood trauma. You need therapy." A sociologist then came along, saw the hurting man, and said, "You've got a problem, and it is obviously the result of the kind of environment in which you grew up." An economist next came along and said, "Money is the root of all hurt. Let me help you with your accounts." Then a priest came along and said, "If you learn to praise the Lord you won't hurt so much. Your spiritual life leaves much to be desired. Start reading

the Bible and praying and it will get better." Finally, a little girl came along and said, "Mister, why don't you get off the board?"

Some of us need to get moving and get help. Today's Gospel tells us how Jesus responded to a hurting man.

The Rower Pre-School

Open Morning in The Rower Pre-school, R95T289, on Saturday 10th February, 10.00 am to 12.00 pm, to register children for September 24.

Last Week's Collection:

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Thank You

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

Newsletter Deadline: Thursday 3.00 pm

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SAFEGUARDING:

IF YOU HAVE A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN CONTACT:

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OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES ARE:

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