

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area - Thomastown & Inistioge Parishes

## INISTIIGE PARISH

### Inistioge Parish Mass Times

<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

<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, Wednesdays & Fridays

*(weekday mass times may occasionally change according to circumstances)*

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16th February 2025

## Ministers of The Word and Ministers of The Eucharist

At this time of year it's normal practice to examine the panels and rotas of Readers of The Word and Eucharistic Ministers in our churches to see if there's a need for to new members.

Obviously, the more people that are on each panel, less frequently they will appear on a rota, as 'many hands make light work'.

So, if you are interested in training for either of these ministries, please contact the office or the priest.

Thank you, and many thanks to all who continue to help in these parish tasks.

## The Bishop Suggests

Confirmation Parents, who struggle with what to get as a gift for their Confirmation children, are helped by the bishop who suggests that a Bible and a Rosary beads are ideal gifts.

## Mid-Term Break

We all wish our children, teachers and ancillary staffs an enjoyable break from work, homework and school this week as they go on their 'mid-term' break.

## Only Two Weeks From Wednesday

Have you ever noticed how quickly some annual events just suddenly appear out of the blue at this time of year?

We've just concluded the Christmas Season in the Church Calendar, and now we're wakening up to the fact that the Season of Lent begins in two weeks time, 5th March.

## The Chosen

This Sunday at 3.00pm. the 4th & 5th episodes of season 4 of The Chosen will be shown on the big screen in Thomastown Community Centre. Free Admission.

## Bereavements

**Anniversaries:** Eamonn Flood & deceased members of the Flood family, Russelstown; Edward Whelan, Mong; Richard & Birdie Hennessy, Mary Hennessy & deceased members of the Hennessy family, Tinnislatty; Davy Lanigan; John & Katie O'Keeffe, Carrenroe; Maggy Murphy, The Rower Village (7.30pm); Kitty Malone, Ballyshane; Seamus Malone, Bohilla; Lar Foley, Ballyshane; Dan Brennan, Ballygub; Nora O'Leary, High St.; Dennis Gorman, Ballyshane; Tom & May Treacy, Ballyduff (11.00am).

**Next w/e Annivs:** Seán Roche, Coolraney (11.00am).

## Elusive perfection

Two old friends are catching up over drinks at the local cafe.

"How is that you haven't yet married?" one friend asks the other.

"To be perfectly honest," the friend begins, "I must tell you that I have spent years looking for the perfect woman. In Barcelona, I met a very beautiful and extremely intelligent woman and, for a brief time, I thought I had found the ideal spouse. But soon I discovered that she was terribly vain and conceited.

"Then, in Boston, I met a woman who was outgoing and generous. Here is the perfect woman, I thought. But soon I discovered that she was flighty

and irresponsible.

"I had just about given up on ever meeting the perfect woman until, one day in Montreal, I met her. She was incredible! She was beautiful, intelligent, kind, generous and had a wonderful sense of humour. She was perfect."

"So why didn't you marry her?" his friend asked.

Fingering his glass, the man replied quietly, "Well, the problem was that she was looking for the perfect man."

## Last Week's Plate Collection

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*Thank You*

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