

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area - Thomastown & Inistioge Parishes

## INISTIOGE 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)

(NB: weekday mass times may occasionally change according to circumstances)

### 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

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 10th August 2025

**“LIFE isn't about WAITING  
for the storm TO PASS,  
It's about LEARNING to  
dance IN THE RAIN”**

Who would have thought that relatively powerless persons could bring shifts in history? But they were ready:

**Gandhi**, an unsuccessful lawyer, adapted the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount and the writings of Tolstoy and became the key to bringing independence to India, because **he was ready**.

**Rosa Parks**, in refusing to move to the back of the bus in Montgomery, sparked the beginning of the civil rights movement of the '50s and '60s. She was a rather inauspicious person to take such a critical action, but **she was ready**.

**Mother Teresa**, a rather unpretentious nun, is declared a saint for her simple act of trying to rescue people from the streets who might otherwise die. **She was ready!**

### The Rower Cemetery Mass

The Annual Cemetery Mass in The Rower will be celebrated, as usual, on the Vigil of The Feast of The Assumption (also the feast that gives the Church its name) next Thursday evening at 7.30pm.

Great credit is due to all families who are giving great attention to the graves of their loved ones.

The overall maintenance and condition of the cemetery is a tribute to the regular work that Pat Corcoran carries out on behalf of all the community each year.

## Bereavements

**Anniversaries:** Mick Murphy, Ballinabarna; Johnny Langton, Ballavarra; Dick Murphy, Kiltown; Pádraig Walsh, Kiltown; Kathy Lyng & Sr. Placidus Lyng, Tinnislatty (7.30pm); James Walsh, The Square, Inistioge; Winifred & William Walsh & the Lanigan Family; Patsy Griffin, Mill Road, and deceased members of the Griffin & Nixon families; Kathleen Cassin, Ballycocksuist (11.00am).

**Next w/e:** Johanna Prendergast, Garranavabby; Richard, Teresa, & John Delahunty, & deceased members of the Delahunty family Ballavarra (7.30pm). Kathleen & Edward Tennyson, Kilmacshane (11.00am).

### The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday next is the feast of The Assumption and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at the normal Sunday times with the Vigil being The Rower Cemetery Mass.

### Stay Awake and Be Ready

Today we are called to stay ready. We are all part of God's plan, just like the

people in the Bible were. Jesus tells us in the Gospel to be ready at all times. He may come when we do not expect it. We must live with care and take our responsibilities seriously. The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C helps us remember that faith is not just about believing. It is also about how we live each day.

**Last Week's Collection**  
**Plate: € 837**  
**Many Thanks**

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