

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. Tuesday  
Inistioge 9.30 a.m. Thursday

### *Thomastown Parish Mass Times*

**Vigil:** Thomastown 6.00 p.m.  
**Sundays:** Thomastown 10.00 a.m.  
**Weekdays:** Thomastown 9.30 a.m. -  
Wednesdays & Fridays.

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

**Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16th November 2025**

### Priests Society Church Door Collection

Next Weekend The 'Ossory Priests Society' will hold its Annual Church Door Collection.

This Lay-Society is mandated with making suitable financial provision for the care of priests in the Diocese of Ossory in infirmity, sickness and old age. A contribution to this collection, as you enter or exit church, will be very much appreciated.

### Adoration

There will be ADORATION in the Parish Church in Inistioge on SUNDAY the 23th November from 2 pm to 4 pm. All are welcome and bring a friend.

### Letter From Bishop Coll *(abridged)*

The news of my appointment as Bishop of Raphoe, my home diocese, means that my time as Bishop of Ossory has been all too brief. My heart is filled with gratitude to God for the gift of these past three years, and gratitude to you, the priests, Religious and lay faithful of this diocese. Ossory is blessed with a faith that is lived in parishes, schools, families and countless works of service.

I want to thank the priests of Ossory most especially. Your dedication, often in demanding circumstances, has been a source of deep inspiration to me.

I wish to acknowledge the many lay people who have contributed their professionalism, time and talent to the various diocesan bodies, councils and committees. The work of reorganising the diocese into pastoral areas has been carried forward with generosity, realism and faith I pray that the first steps that the Diocese is now making in terms introducing the Ministry of Catechist may in time will prove to be a great blessing. For all of this and more, I thank you.

With every blessing,

+Niall Coll, Bishop of Ossory.

## Bereavements

**Recently Deceased:** Josie Whelan, Ballavarra.

**Month's Mind:** John Gannon, Ballylogue (7.30pm).

**Anniversaries:** Fintan Murphy, The Rower Village; Sonny Kavanagh, Ballinabarna; Bridget Walsh, Tinnislatty (7.30pm); Tom & Eileen Fleming, Coolhill, and Mary Barron Fleming, Palace; Paddy & Bridget Croke, New Ross Gate; Margaret Kirwan, Mill Road; Nicholas Codd, High Street; Mairéad, Paddy & Lil Murphy, Brittaus; Barbara Philpott, U.K. (11.00am).

**Next w/e:** Maureen Butler, The Rower Village; Paddy & Annie O'Brien, Cullintra; Pat Lyng, Tintine (7.30pm). Jocelyn Braddell, The Square; Pat Byrne, Cappagh; Andy Cotterell, Kilmacshane (11.00am).

### Our Holy Souls Masses

**The Rower: Saturday 22nd Nov.**

**Inistioge: Sunday 23rd Nov.**

The Annual Holy Souls masses will be celebrated next weekend.

Candles representing those who died during the past year will be lighting on the Altar during Mass.

After Mass a family member will be invited to take home the candle as a reminder of the community at prayer for their loved one at the Holy Souls Mass.

### Catechist Ministry

We are still seeking volunteers to explore the Ministry of Catechist. Necessary information is contained in the bishop's Pastoral Letter and on the Diocesan Website. Those wishing to explore this ministry should give their names to the Parish Office,

### Last Week's Collection

**Plate: € 840**

**Many Thanks**

**Address:** Kilcross, Inistioge, County Kilkenny, R95 P5P0

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**Website:** [inistiogeparish.ie](http://inistiogeparish.ie)

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

**Newsletter Deadline:** Thursday 3.00 pm

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

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### SAFEGUARDING:

**If you have a safeguarding concern contact:**

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**Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are:**

Marie Hayden - Suzanne Cottrell - Betty Gannon

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