

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)

### Second Sunday of Advent - 7th December 2025

#### Catholic Primary Schools

Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025 by visiting - <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>

#### For Your Advent Diary

##### PENITENTIAL SERVICES:

**Inistioge** – at all Masses: w/e Dec 20th.

**Thomastown** – at all Masses: w/e Dec 13th.

##### CAROL SERVICES:

**Inistioge:** Sun. 14th Dec, 7.00pm.

**Thomastown:** Wed, 17th Dec, 7.00pm.

#### Sixty Years of Marymount

The Board, Parents' Association and Staff warmly invite you to drop in next **Thursday at 7pm**, to celebrate **60 years of Marymount N.S.** and visit its new library and Autism Support Area.

#### St Colmcille's NS

Applications for admission to St. Colmcille's NS, Inistioge now invited. Contact school office on 056 7758660 or email [stcolinistiogens@gmail.com](mailto:stcolinistiogens@gmail.com).

#### MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

This Monday is the **Feast of The Immaculate Conception** and is a Church Holy Day.

Mass will be at 11.00am in Inistioge parish on Monday, and 10.00am in Thomastown – there will be no vigil Masses.

#### St Vincent de Paul

Local conference: 087 3502915.  
Email [stcolmcille.inistioge@svp.ie](mailto:stcolmcille.inistioge@svp.ie)

Christmas collection envelopes are now being distributed.

They can be returned to Elma in Inistioge PO, & Ina in the Rower.

#### "An Macalla"

Our local Magazine "An Macalla" is now on sale after all masses and in local shops at €5 - no increase on last year.

#### Thank You

Thanks a mill to all the Eucharistic Ministers of both parishes of our Pastoral Area for exercising their Ministry to bring the Eucharist to the sick and the housebound. It's much appreciated, as it's only Santa could achieve forty-four visits on a First Friday morning all on his own!

## Bereavements

**Month's Mind:** Josie Whelan, Ballavarra (7.30pm).

**Anniversaries:** : Eily Murphy, Kiltown; Jimmy Prendergast, Garranavabby; (7.30pm). Tom Roche, Bohilla, and deceased members of the Roche family; Paddy Grant, Mill Road; Charlie, Alice, Billy, Josie, Dick & Noel Dempsey, High Street; Dick & Anastasia Lyng, Upper Carrenroe, & deceased members of the Lyng family; Jim Hennessy, Ballavarra; The Deceased Members of The Rower/ Inistioge GAA Club (11.00am).

**Next w/e:** Niall Hogan, Ruppá House, Inistioge; Dick & Bridget Tierney, Kilcross; Tommy Hackett, Kilcross; Bridie & Jimmy Ryan, Mangan, and their children, Marie, Paddy, Bridget and Tom.

#### The Rower Hall Events

##### December 12th

**Senior Citizens Christmas Tea Party** from 5:30 - 8:30pm. Tickets are €10 from Inas shop, Murphys pub or McGrath Agri. Music and Raffle on the night. All welcome.

##### December 14th

**Christmas Fair - 11:00am - 3:30pm.** Enjoy festive stalls, crafts, tasty treats, and fun for all ages!

##### December 14th

##### Kids Christmas Disco

4:30pm - 6:30pm. All ages welcome. Fun & games, Tuck shop. Entry Fee: €10 includes disco, meet and greet with Santa and small token. **Cash only!** Enquiries: [therowercommunityhall@gmail.com](mailto:therowercommunityhall@gmail.com)

#### Last Week's Collection

**Plate: € 862**

*Many Thanks*

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

**Email:** [inistioge@ossory.ie](mailto:inistioge@ossory.ie)

**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

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

#### SAFEGUARDING:

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

**The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms Ailish Higgins, 085 802 1633, [dlp@ossory.ie](mailto:dlp@ossory.ie)**

**Deputy DLPs: Rose Brophy, 087 331 4330 & Cathal Cullen, 056 7752448**

**email: [ddlp@ossory.ie](mailto:ddlp@ossory.ie)**

**Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are:**

**Marie Hayden - Suzanne Cottrell - Betty Gannon**

**cf. Full Safeguarding details: [www.ossory.ie](http://www.ossory.ie)**

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