

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. Tuesday
	Inistioge	9.30 a.m. Thursday

### Thomastown Parish Mass Times

<b>Vigil:</b>	Thomastown	6.00 p.m.
<b>Sundays:</b>	Thomastown	10.00 a.m.
<b>Weekdays:</b>	Thomastown	9.30 a.m. -
		Wednesdays & Fridays.

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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 15th February 2026

## Temperance Sunday

Today is the day when we think and pray about temperance, and the abuse of alcohol in many areas of life in our families and world. Alcohol confronts us with our own frailty and weakness. Even those who are not addicted need the support of a higher power in life if we are to avoid the perils of addiction.

## Ash Wednesday

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday the beginning of the season of Lent, during which time we prepare by prayer, fasting and almsgiving, to celebrate our Christian Faith.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are still days of Fast and Abstinence – days when meat is not permitted. We may have one full meal as well as two other 'light' meals according to one's needs. Where health or ability to work may be seriously affected, this law does not apply.

## Imposition of Ashes

Mass, blessing and imposition of Ashes will take place in Thomastown on Wednesday morning at 9.30am. You can collect Ashes in Inistioge, Clodiagh and The Rower churches from about 10.30am. Take them home to family members, saying as you impose them, the words: **"Repent and believe in the Gospel."** School children, who wish to receive them will receive them in school. Parents should discuss the meaning of Lenten Ashes with their children beforehand, and the fact that it is optional to receive them.

### GAA club

Juvenile Committee of the Rower Inistioge GAA Club are holding a scrap metal fundraiser from Friday 20th to Sunday 22nd in both Inistioge and The Rower GAA car-parks. All money raised going directly to coaching and development of our Juvenile teams and all donations of scrap metal are greatly appreciated.

### Day of Prayer & Praise.

This Sunday 10.30am - 5.00pm. In the Tower Hotel, Waterford. Mass, Spiritual Guidance and Confessions with Mons. Finbarr O'Leary.

## Bereavements

**Recently Deceased:** Fr Lar Dunphy, retired PP of Urlingford; Fr Odhrán Furlong, PP, New Ross.

**Anniversaries:** Jack & Katie O'Keeffe, Carrenroe Upper; Ned Whelan, Mong (7.30pm). Seamus Malone, Bohilla; Dennis O'Gorman, Ballyshane and deceased members of the O'Gorman family; Lar & Jim Foley, Ballyshane; Kitty Malone, Ballyshane; Nora & Denis Walsh, Coolshane (11.00 am).

**Next w/e:** Johnny Hynes, Coolhill and Marley, St Mullins (M Mind); Eamonn Flood and deceased members of the Flood family, Russelstown (7.30pm); Paul Muldoon, Cullaun (9.30am); Johanna Tierney, The Hatchery (11.00am).

## Victims of Abuse

Friday is the Day of Prayer for the Victims of Abuse when we acknowledge and condemn the atrocities committed and beg forgiveness for our own sins and the sins of others.

## The Rower Preschool

Open day 14th February 10am to 12.00 noon.

Children born in 2022/23 will qualify for ECCE. Call: 08790502185.

## CHY3 Certs

If you recently received a 'CHY3' Certificate from our parish office please sign and return it as soon as possible.

If you got one and it doesn't apply to you please let us know and you will not receive one again. Many thanks for your cooperation.

## Last Week's Collection

Plate: € 899

*Many Thanks*

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### SAFEGUARDING:

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