

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)

Fourth Sunday of Easter - 26th April 2026

## Good Shepherd Sunday

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## Vocations Sunday



This Sunday our parish marks the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. This day invites us all to reflect on the call God extends to each of us, and

to pray especially for those discerning a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, and committed Christian living in the world.

Pope Leo XIV encourages us to see vocation as a "path of beauty," rooted in a personal encounter with the Risen Jesus "the Good Shepherd", who knows us and calls us by name.

As we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday, let us pray that Christ will guide many hearts to recognise and respond generously to God's loving call, and that our parish community continues to support and encourage one another on our journey of faith.

## Diocesan Nurse

The Diocese requires a Nurse to provide a support service to Priests in our Diocese which comprises of 42 parishes in Kilkenny, Laois and Offaly. The post will be part-time and initially for a three-year period.

**The candidate must be:** A registered General Nurse.

Self-motivated and be able to work in a community environment.

Possess communication skills; Have a full driving licence and own transport.

Email your application to [admin@ossory.ie](mailto:admin@ossory.ie) or by post to The Diocesan Office, James's St, Kilkenny, R95 NH60. Closing date is Friday, 29th May 2026.

## Bereavements.

**Anniversaries:** Mary Higgins, Garanvabby (9.30am); Maura O'Neill, Brownsford and deceased members of the O'Neill & Cottrell families; Mickey Cottrell, Coolshane (11.00am).

**Next w/e:** Kathleen Galavan, Oldcourt (9.30am M Mind); Ann Cahill, Mill Road, and her grandson, Peter Lawless, Dublin (11.00am).

## Prayer for World Peace

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

## Darkness into Light

Inistioge will host a Darkness into Light event on Saturday May 9th. The walk provides an opportunity for people to connect with their local community and to bring hope to people who have been impacted by suicide. Register at [darknessintolight.ie](http://darknessintolight.ie) or on the night.

## Last Week's Collection

**Plate: € 833**

**Many Thanks**

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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

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

### SAFEGUARDING:

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

**The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:** Mr Fintan Fanning, 085 802 1633, [dlp@ossory.ie](mailto:dlp@ossory.ie)

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

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**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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