

St. Colmcille Pastoral Area, comprising Inistioge and Thomastown
THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER
07th May 2023

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CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 07th

Parish Church	Sunday 07 th Mass	10.30 am
	Monday 08 th Mass	09.20 am
	Wednesday 10 th Mass	09.20 am
	Wednesday Adoration	10.00-11.00 am
	Friday 12 th Mass	09.20 am
	Saturday 13 th First Communion	11.00am
	Saturday Vigil Mass	6.00 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available after Saturday evening Mass or any other time on request.

Masses celebrated at the Parish Church are available on webcam and 108fm.

Parish of Inistioge

Fr. Francis Purcell is the Parish Priest of Inistioge.

WEEKEND MASSES Vigil: The Rower 7.30 p.m.

Sunday: Clodiagh 9.30 a.m.; Inistioge 11.00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES (weekday Masses may occasionally change due to circumstances)

The Rower: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 a.m. Inistioge: Wed & Friday 9.30 a.m.

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Deaths and anniversaries: Molly Lannon & Family, Newtown (6pm Mass); **Richard Forristal & Andrew Forristal**, Ballyconway (6pm Mass); **Joe Maher**, Ladywell (10.30am Mass); **Tom & Breed Skehan**, Newtown (10.30am Mass); **Paddy Kennedy & Members of the Kennedy Family**; **Pat Roche**, Logan St; **Bridget Kehoe**, Dúnán; **Biddy Kavanagh**, Jerpoint Hill; **Elizabeth Dempsey**, Newtown Tce; **Deceased Members of the Fennelly Family**, Jerpoint Church; **Margaret Byrne**, Mallfield & Ballinamona : May they and all our dead rest in peace.

Anniversary Masses next weekend: Joe Dunphy, Dangan Tce Month's Mind (10.30am Mass); **Marie Woods**, Cloghabrody (6pm Mass); **Delia Roche**, Grennan (6pm Mass); **Danny McPherson**, Maudlin St (6pm Mass).

First Communions will take place in the Parish Church next Saturday, 13th May, at 11 am. this is a special day for the Parish as well as for the individuals who will receive First Communion. Pray for them and their families this week. The following will receive First Communion:

Sarka Beck, Amelia Borza, Leon Butler, Alfie Challoner, Jake Clifford, Sarah Collins, Alexia Conway, Siofra Croke O'Neill, Alice Cullen, Luke Culverhouse, Leah Darcy, Fiadh Doherty, Kyle Dunne, Aoibhinn Fennelly, Donnacha Fitzmaurice, Shay Hanrahan, Lucy Hart, Aoife Hosey, Saraí Hughes, Leah Kealy, Nadia Kedra, Jack Kelly, Claire Kirby, Caoimhe Lanigan, Erin Lee, Joe Manning, Joshua McDowell, Senan McMahon, Aoibhinn Muldoon, Ava Murphy, Lauren O'Donoghue, Lucy O'Sullivan, Jake O'Sullivan, Corey Rigby, Dylan Sheridan, Ivy Shanahan, Keena Sherry, Molly Spence, Ella Tennyson, Liam Tierney, Ada Walpole, Elliott Walsh, Micheál Walsh, Amelia Watson.

Sister Mary Shanahan of the **Franciscan Missionaries of Mary** will come to the Parish next weekend, 13th and 14th May. She will speak at our Vigil Mass and at our 10.30 Mass about their missionary work, and will hold a door collection for the Missions after Mass.

Sincere thanks to all who contributed to **St. Joseph's Young Priests Society** last weekend: we raised €1,005.00.

Trocaire Lenten Collection: thanks for your contributions. So far €2931 has been forwarded to the Diocesan Office for forwarding to Trocaire. If you still wish to contribute, do so directly to Trocaire or bring your contributions to weekend Masses.

Rosary for our Lady of Fatima on Saturday, May 13, in The Square, Inistioge, at 3.00pm, or in Church if raining. Prayer especially needed for World Peace and the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Novena to our Lady of Fatima (Saturday 13th - Sunday 21st May) at the Black Abbey, Kilkenny. The Preacher is Fr Colm Mannion OP. Saturdays: 10am & 6.10pm, Sundays: 3pm, Monday - Friday: 10am & 7pm. All welcome

South Kilkenny Historical Society Coach Trip to Doneraile Court and Mallow on Saturday, May 27th. Cost - €65 for members and €70 for those who are not paid-up members for 2023. The cost includes coach hire, a guided tour of Doneraile Court, a walking tour of Mallow and an evening meal at the Talbot Hotel, Clonmel. It does not include the cost of lunch. For further information on booking places for the Coach Trip please contact Brigid Barron, Blossom Hill, Kilmacow, Co. Kilkenny (087 9507295, brigidbarron@hotmail.com) or Mary Ryan, 'Gort Glas', Aglish, Carrigeen, Co. Kilkenny (086 3790655, maryearyan@gmail.com). A €20 non-refundable deposit, per person will apply.

The new seat at the Parish Church..... to rest, to catch your breath before going inside to pray, to enjoy the view and thank God for the beauty around us and pray God's blessing on the people of the parish and on visitors