

St. Colmcille Pastoral Area
comprising Thomstown and Inistioge
THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER
09th July 2023

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THOMASTOWN CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 9th

Parish Church	Sunday 09 th Mass	10.30 am
	Monday 10 th Mass	09.20 am
	Wednesday 12 th Mass	09.20 am
	Wednesday Adoration	10-11 am
	Friday 14 th Mass	09.20 am
	Saturday 15 th Baptisms	04.00pm
	Saturday Vigil Mass	06.00 pm.

St. Columba's Monday 10th Mass and Sacrament of Anointing 11.30am.
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: Mary Quigley, Newtown, Kells, died this past week; **John Morrissey**, Clossgregg (6pm Mass); **Nancy Skehan**, Newtown Tce (6pm Mass); **Mary O'Reilly**, Ladywell St (10.30am Mass); **John Comerford**, Burrellspark (9.20am Mass Wednesday); **Patrick (Pa) Kelly**, Newtown Tce; **Thomas, James & Mary Cassin**, Coolroemore; **Mike Walsh & Willie Walsh**, Cappagh; **Madam Latur**, London & France : may they and all our dead rest in peace.

Anniversary Masses next weekend: Eamonn Byrne, Carrickmourne (6pm Mass); **John Byrne**, Ballylinch (6pm Mass); **Rita Kirwan**, Jerpoint Church (10.30am Mass); **Angela McEvoy**, Jerpoint Church (10.30am Mass)

On Monday 17th July **Bishop Niall Coll** will celebrate the 9.20am Mass. Since he became Bishop of Ossory he has been visiting the parishes for a weekday Mass. He had celebrated Mass at St. Columba's in February to mark World Day of the Sick.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Island takes place on Sunday July 23rd: Bus leaving the Quay car park at 12 noon. See Poster.

The Annual Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock will take place next Sunday 16 July. Mass at 3pm with Anointing of the Sick beforehand at 2:30pm. Newsletters & Emblems available at PTAA stand in St John's Rest & Care Centre or via www.pioneers.ie

"Designer Minds have 2 upcoming Summer Camps running in Kilkenny. Choose a Science Design & Technology Camp OR Art Camp (or try out both and receive a discount). For all boys & girls currently in Senior Infants up to 6th Class. Check Dates and Register online at www.designerminds.ie or call 087 631 0411"

My God Accept my Heart this day

My God, accept my heart this day, and make it always thine,
that I from thee no more may stray, no more from thee decline.

Anoint me with thy heavenly grace, and seal me for thine own;
that I may see thy glorious face, and worship near thy throne.

Let every thought and work and word to thee be ever given:

Then life shall be thy service, Lord, and death the gate of heaven.

GLORY & PRAISE TO OUR GOD

Glory and praise to our God, Who alone gives light to our days.

Many are the blessings he bears, to those who trust in his ways.

We, the daughters and sons of Him, who built the valleys and plains,
praise the wonders our God has done, In every heart that sings.

In his wisdom, He strengthens us, like gold that's tested in fire.

Though the power of sin prevails, Our God is there to save.

Céad míle fáilte romhat Íosa, a Íosa, Céad míle fáilte romhat, a Íosa.

Céad míle fáilte romhat, a Shlánaitheoir, Céad míle míle fáilte romhat, Íosa, a Íosa.

Glóir agus moladh duit, a Íosa, a Íosa, Glóir agus moladh duit, a Íosa.

Glóir agus moladh duit, a Shlánaitheoir, Glóir, moladh agus buíochas duit, 'Íosa, a Íosa.

CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

Longing for light, we wait in darkness, Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today

Longing for peace, our world is troubled; Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has power to save us; Make us your living voice.

*This week's Gospel is summed up in **The Little Way of St Thérèse of Lisieux**. Jesus revealed things to this mere child which were hidden from the learned and the clever.*

- she knew that whatever she had was entrusted to her by Jesus,

- she felt herself known by Jesus in a way that no one else knew her,

- she knew Jesus as no one else knew him,

- she called to her all who felt religion as a labour and a burden;

- we learn humility and gentleness of heart from her and we find rest for our souls;

- we find her yoke easy and her burden light. (adapted from Michel de Verteui)