

**St. Colmcille Pastoral Area**  
**comprising Thomstown and Inistioge**  
**THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
**13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2025**

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**THOMASTOWN CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>.**

<b>Parish Church</b>	Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> Mass	10.30am
	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> Mass	09.20am
	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Mass	09.20am
	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper	07.30pm
	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Celebration of the Lord's Passion	03.00pm
	Friday Stations of the Cross	07.30pm
	Saturday Easter Vigil	08.00pm
<b>St. Columba's</b>	Tuesday Mass	11.00am
<b>Mong</b>	Monday Mass	07.30pm

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available after the Stations of the Cross on Friday or any other time on request.

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

Holy Week Ceremonies in Inistioge

**HOLY THURSDAY:** The Rower Mass of The Lord's Supper. 7.30pm

**GOOD FRIDAY:**

**The Rower:** Stations, Veneration of The Cross and Holy Communion. 12.00 noon

**Inistioge:** The Passion of The Lord at 3.00pm

**Clodiagh:** Stations, Veneration of The Cross & Holy Communion. 7.30pm

**HOLY SATURDAY:** - **Inistioge:** Easter Vigil. 7.30pm

**EASTER SUNDAY:** Mass, **Clodiagh.** 9.30am

Mass, **Inistioge.** 11.00am

Mass, **The Rower** 12.30pm

**The Chrism Mass**, when Bishop Coll will bless the oils for the Sacraments for the coming year, will be held in St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny at 7.30pm on Wednesday. All the people of the Diocese are invited to this Mass.

**Free of Charge Online Lent Retreat:** This series of reflections aims to uplift our journey through the Easter Triduum with a focus on the Hope that Gospel passages of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil offer us, and finishes with a call to be a herald of joy with the message of Easter Sunday.

Led by Fr. Bill O'Shaughnessy, the reflections consist of four 20-minute recorded presentations that will become available from Holy Thursday, the last one on Easter Sunday. Participants can watch the films whenever it suits them, and revisit films they have already viewed. Visit the website [priorityinstitute.com](http://priorityinstitute.com) to register/find out more.

**Deaths and anniversaries:** Anne Minogue, Baunskeha, Paul Madigan, Friars Hill & Arklow & Muriel O'Dwyer, Dublin recently deceased; James O'Neill, Ballinamona Month's Mind (6pm Mass); Pawel Opac, Poland Month's Mind (6pm Mass); Breda Delaney, Newtown Tce 96pm Mass; Paddy O'Keeffe, Cloughabrody (6pm Mass); Jim Lannon, Dangan Tce (6pm Mass); Gerry Minogue, Newtown Tce (6pm Mass); John & Martha Darcy, Waterford (6pm Mass); Kathleen Grace, Newtown Tce (6pm Mass); Mattie & Pat Lawlor, Maudlin St (6pm Mass); Bill Maher, Durrow (6pm Mass); Stephen (Dino) Behan, Cloughabrody (10.30am Mass); ; Catherine Heffernan, Achill (7.30pm Mass Mong); Mary Hayes Gibbons, Baunskeha; Paddy & Daisy Murphy, The Courthouse: may they and all our dead rest in peace.

**Anniversary Masses next weekend:** David O'Neill, Kilkenny, late of Castle Ave (1030am Mass)

**Hail, Redeemer, King divine!** Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine,

King, whose reign shall never cease, Prince of everlasting peace.

*Angels saints and nations sing; 'Praised be Jesus Christ, our King;  
 Lord of life, earth, sky and sea, King of love on Calvary.'*

King whose name creation thrills, rule our minds our hearts our wills,  
 till in peace each nation rings with thy praises, King of kings.

**Ag Croist an siol**, ag Criost an fomhar, In iothalainn De go dtugar sinn.  
 Ag Chriost an mhuir, ag Criost an t-iasc, I lionta De go gcastar sinn.

O fhas go haois, is o aois go bas, Do dha laimh, a Chriost anall tharainn.  
 O bhas go críoch, ní críoch ach athfhas, I bParthas na nGrast go rabhaimid.

**Christ be near at either hand**, Christ behind, before me stand,  
 Christ with me where'er I go, Christ around, above, below.

Christ be in my heart and mind, Christ within my soul enshrined,  
 Christ control my wayward heart; Christ abide and ne'er depart.

Christ my life and only way, Christ my lantern night and day;  
 Christ be my unchanging friend. guide and shepherd to the end.

**Lord of all hopefulness**, Lord of all joy,  
 whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy:  
 Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
 your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
 whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:  
 Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
 your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.