

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area of Thomastown and Inistioge Parishes

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER – 12th OCTOBER 2025

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Thomastown Parish Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	6.00pm
Sunday	10.00am
St Columba's	11.00am
Wednesday	9.30am
Friday	9.30am

View on webcam: thomastownparish.ie

Adoration after Mass on Wednesday

Inistioge Parish Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	The Rower	7.30pm
Sunday	Clodiagh	9.30am
	Inistioge	11.00am
Tuesday	The Rower	9.30am
Thursday	Inistioge	9.30am

View on webcam: inistiogeparish.ie

Adoration after Mass on Thursday

Bereavements

Month's Mind: Bernie O'Neill, Cloughabrody Heights,

Anniversaries: Margaret Grace, Castle Ave; Liam Burke, Castle Ave; Noel O'Reilly, Kilkenny Road; Johnny Byrne, Newtown Tce; Lynn Roche, Jerpoint Church; Maura Byrne, Carrickmourne: 6.00pm. Michael Dunne, Castle Ave & his daughter Julie Mason, Knocktopher: 10.00am. Margaret Nolan, Friarshill: 9.30am Wednesday.

Anniversaries next w/e: Bridie Farrell, The Rectory; Margaret (Madge) Grace, Castle Ave; Elizabeth Walsh, Kilmurry; Dominique Bell, Legan Close; Kathleen Forristal, Dublin & Jerpoint Church; Deceased Members of Thomastown Senior Citizens Association: 6.00pm. Dixie Doyle, Carrickmourne; John & Kate Barron, Wexford; Kathleen Stapleton, Legan;; Kathleen Denieffe, Newtown; Josie Beck, Dangan Tce: 10.00am. Billy & Mary Hogan, Newtown Tce & Wales: 9.30am Wednesday.

Alone: You're not alone: Do you need support to age at Home? Call 0818-222024
7 days a week: Housing with support; Co-ordinated Support; Practical supports;
National phone line; Befriending visits; Assistive Technology; Social engagement.

A public **ROSARY** in honour of Our Lady of Fatima will take place in The Square, Inistioge, on Monday 13th October at 3.00pm. We pray to Our Lady for her intercession for our families, and this year we pray for Peace in the World and so you are all invited to come. Please bring a friend.

Church Gate Collection: As next w/e is Mission Sunday, the Annual Mission Sunday Church Gate Collection will be taken up outside all Masses.

Mission Month:

Our Children's Mission Prayer: "Lord, may all children in the world share love, share friendship and live in the peace of your love, now and forever. Amen."

MISSIO - Children Helping Children.

Confirmations 2026

The Bishop's Office has informed us that The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered to all our eligible Primary School Children who wish to be Confirmed, on Wednesday, April 15th at 11.00am (i.e. the Wednesday-week after Easter Sunday).

Catechists in The Diocese of Ossory

The followers of Jesus have always passed on the faith to others. This has never been the work of just priests and bishops but has also involved ordinary believers who shared their faith with children, neighbours and new converts. The Church calls these people catechists - teachers of the faith, not only by words but by the witness of their lives. At least two or three candidates from each pastoral area would be most welcome.

Two Priests from Ghana

Next week two Ghana priests, Fr. Paul Tanko Kasu and Fr. Felix Bonkaanaie Kuulare will come for periods of three to four years to work here in Ossory. Both have extensive experience in pastoral ministry and in holding offices of responsibility in their diocese. Both will be appointed to Kilkenny City parishes as it was felt that an urban environment, at least for their first year here, would be more conducive.