

St Colmcille's Pastoral Area – Thomastown & Inistioge Parishes

THOMASTOWN PARISH

Thomastown Parish Mass Times

Vigil: 6.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am
St Columba's: 11.00am
Wednesday: 9.30am
Friday: 9.30am
webcam: thomastownparish.ie

Inistioge Parish Mass Times

Vigil: The Rower: 7.30pm
Sunday: Clodiagh: 9.30am
Inistioge: 11.00am
Tuesday: The Rower: 9.30am
Thursday: Inistioge: 9.30am
webcam: inistiogeparish.ie

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 16th AUGUST 2026

Parish Office closed on Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th August.

Evening Prayer with Bishop Ger

You are invited to join with Bishop Ger as he leads us in Evening Prayer in preparation for his Episcopal Installation as Bishop of Ossory on 13th September 2026 when he begins his ministry as our Bishop. Beginning at 7.30 p.m. each evening.

Friday, 21st August 2026 - St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny.

Friday, 28th August 2026 – Church of the Assumption, Owing, Piltown. (Oldest Church in the Diocese of Ossory 1798)

Friday, 4th September 2026 – St Kieran's Church, Seir Kieran, Co. Offaly.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend (2–4 Oct)

Marriage Encounter Ireland invites married couples to a residential Weekend from Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th October 2026 at the "Focolare Centre" "Curryhills", Prosperous, Co. Kildare.

Step away from daily distractions to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage. www.marriageencounter.ie

National Heritage Week

You are cordially invited to attend a talk on *Catherine O'Brien's Stained Glass Windows* in St. Mary's Church, Inistioge, this Sunday, 16th August at 3pm – 4pm. Entry is Free

BEREAVEMENTS

Anniversaries: Andrew Denieffe, Jerpoint West; Joseph & Maura Murray, Jerpoint Abbey; Declan Fennelly, Oldtown; Jim Minogue, Cloughabrody: (6.00pm). Paul Stapleton, Legan; Joseph Walsh, Low St: (10.00am).

Anniversaries Next w/e: Michael & Frances O'Shea, Low St: (9.30am Friday). Jonathan Hynes, Newtown and remembering his Dad Declan Hynes who died recently; John Joe Phelan, Boher; Caroline Dalton, The Mall: (6.00pm). Billy Daly, Castle ave; Richard Lanigan & deceased members of the Lanigan Family: (10.00am).

St Joseph Men's Camino

Join men from across Ireland on **Saturday 12th September** for a 25km pilgrimage through the Boyne Valley, beginning in Drogheda. The day includes Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions, fraternity, lunch and dinner, with after-dinner speaker **Fr. Mark Quinn**. Details: www.dominicans.ie/events.

Enquiries: op.evangelisation@gmail.com.

Bereavement Information Evening especially dedicated to supporting surviving siblings online on Tuesday September 15th at 7.00pm.

An Information Evening for parents after the death of a child and surviving adult siblings. Guest speakers Michelle Hartnett and Anna May in collaboration with Childhood Cancer Ireland, Jacinta's Smile, and Rainbows. To book please contact info@anamcara.ie or call 085 288 8888.

Address: Chapel Lane, Thomastown, County Kilkenny R95 T6N7

Email: thomastown@ossory.ie **Website:** thomastownparish.ie **Radio:** fm108

Parish Office: 056 779 3191 **Open:** Tues, Thur, Fri: 10.00 am – 1.00 pm

Parish Priest: Fr Frank Purcell – 086 601 0001

SAFEGUARDING:

If you have a safeguarding concern, contact:

Deputy DLPs: Rose Brophy, 087 331 4331 & Cathal Cullen, 056 775 2448

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fintan Fanning.

Full Safeguarding policies & details: ossory.ie

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