

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

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18th OCTOBER 2026

Thank You! On behalf of Missio Ireland, we appreciate and thank you for your generosity towards this w/e's church door collection for the propagation of the faith. Missio Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission serving the Church in over 120 countries. Through your kindness and generosity, they strive to help the Church to share the joy of the Gospel in some of the most remote corners of the world.

Taizé Youth Programme 2027

A youth trip to Taizé in France organised by Ossory Youth will take place from Sunday 27th June to Sunday 4th July 2027. A week in the Taizé Community is an opportunity for reflection and contemplation and a little step back from daily life. However, bringing people together is also the essence of Taizé and it is a week of meeting young people from different countries and cultures where new friendships are made. Tens of thousands of young people from around the world, including 25 from Kilkenny, will make the trip to Taizé next year. The programme, which runs from November 2026 to July 2027 is open to Transition year and 5th year students. Closing date for applications is Friday 6th November. For additional information, including cost and application forms, contact Patrick Bookle, Ossory Youth at (056) 7761200, (087) 2129006 or pbookle@ossoryyouth.com.

Historical Society Lecture

Friday, October 30th - 100 Years of the Leaving Cert: Speaker: Eoin Walsh. Time: 8pm, Mullinavat Parish Hall, Adm: €5.

BEREAVEMENTS

Anniversaries: Pat Heffernan, Mayo; Elizabeth Walsh, Kilmurry; Margaret (Madge) Grace, Grennan; Dominique Bell, Legan Close; Mick Conlon, Legan; Mary Barron, Tom Barron & Maggie Barron, Ballyconway: (6.00pm). Kathleen Stapleton, Legan; Dixie Doyle, Carrickmournie; Geraldine Power, Carrickmournie; Kathleen Holohan, Oldtown: (10.00am).

Anniversaries Next w/e: Billy & Mary Hogan, Newtown Tee & Wales: (Wednesday 9.30am). Paul Dack, William St, Kilkenny: Month's Mind; Vincent Walsh, Powerswood; John Grace, Mallfield & deceased members of the Grace family, Grennan: (6.00pm). Molly Lalor, Maudlin St: (10.00am).

Everyone has heard of it, if not sat, the dreaded Leaving Certificate. It has recently passed a milestone of 100 years of existence.

No dues to God!

A prosperous farmer was miserly in what he gave to his Church. So, his priest went to visit him in the hope of getting him to increase his donation. He pointed out to the farmer that the Lord had given him a fertile piece of land and had blessed him with sunshine and rain so that his crops would grow. The priest added, "You know, this farm and everything you have is really on loan to you from God. You should be more grateful." The farmer replied, "I don't mean to complain, Father, but you should have seen what a mess this place was when God was running it by Himself!"

St. Vincent de Paul Collection takes place next weekend. Your support is greatly appreciated. Contact Number for the Society: 087-4830988.

Vocations Society of St. Joseph will hold one hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday from 6.30pm in the Mercy Chapel for Vocations to Priesthood and Religious life. All welcome.

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