St Colmcille's Pastoral Area – Thomastown & Inistioge Parishes

THOMASTOWN PARISH

Thomastown Parish Mass Times		**Inistioge Parish Mass Times**		
Vigil:	6.00pm	Vigil:	The Rower:	7.30pm
Sunday:	10.00am	Sunday:	Clodiagh:	9.30am
St Columba's:	11.00am		Inistioge:	11.00am
Wednesday:	9.30am	Tuesday:	The Rower:	9.30am
Friday:	9.30am	Thursday:	Inistioge:	9.30am
webcam: thomastownparish.ie		webcam: inistiogeparish.ie		

THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 08th NOVEMBER 2026

Advent Retreat – Nov. 27th – 29th

Facilitated by Slí an Chroí Retreat Team. Come away and rest awhile in the beautiful landscape of Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow. We invite you to join us at Slí an Chroí in the grounds of St. Patrick's Missionary Society, as we pause to reflect and celebrate a moment in time on your unique journey. Advent is a special time of reflecting on our transition from the past to the future that God holds for us. May this be a moment of grace for you as we all await the celebration of new life. For Enquiries, please contact Michèle at slianchroi@spms.ie or phone 089 4690508 Price: €315.00.

Social Media

A Social Media Information Day on "How best to engage with young people in our Parish through the use of social media" facilitated by Chah Garde of the Catholic Communication Office, will take place in St Patrick's Pastoral Centre, Loughboy, Kilkenny, on Saturday, 14th November, beginning with Tea/Coffee at 10.30 a.m. and will conclude with light refreshments at 1.00 p.m.

Check it Fits: Next week, the RSA's Check it Fits service will be visiting County Kilkenny. Did you know that as many as 54% of child car seats are incorrectly fitted which can lead to serious injury or even death in a collision. The Check it Fits service is quick, it's easy, it's free. We will be visiting Aldi Waterford Rd., Kilkenny, next Tuesday, 10th.

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently deceased: John Sherlock, Brownsbarn.

Anniversaries: Josie Lannon, Dangan Tce; Peter Lannon; Pakie Lannon & deceased members of the Lannon Family, Newtown; Jim Byrne, Newtown; Anna Hoban, Clossgregg: (6.00pm). Noelle Walsh, Station Road: Month's Mind; Billy O'Brien, Friarshill: (10.00am).

Anniversaries Next w/e: Alice O'Keeffe, Smithstown; Tom Dack, Cloughabrody; Mary O'Neill, Station Road; Jim Grace, Castle Ave: (6.00pm). Bessie Delaney, Pipe St: (10.00am).

Eight Steps Toward a More Satisfying Life.

A recent TIME magazine 'Eight Steps Toward a More Satisfying Life' presented eight recommended steps: 1. Count your blessings. 2. Practice acts of kindness. 3. Savor life's joys. 4. Thank a helper. 5. Learn to forgive. 6. Invest time and energy in friends and family. 7. Take care of your body. 8. Develop strategies for coping with stress and hardship. This weekend as we reflect on the parable of the Ten Bridesmaids, or Ten Virgins as in many translations, we add one more step, a 9th step to the strategy: 'Be prepared'. Be prepared to step off life's planned paths and trust the Spirit. After all, the Spirit can appear in life in many guises, disguises, and surprises.

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SAFEGUARDING:

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