Annascaul Parish:
(Camp, Inch, Annascaul)
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Diocese of Kerry
First Sunday of Advent
1st December 2024

Recent Deaths: We pray for all who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

Masses this Week:

Sacred Heart Church, Annascaul. Sat 30th Nov. 7.30pm: Maurice, Kathleen and deceased members of the Kavanagh family, Maumagrane.

Fri 6th December 10am: Private Intention Sat 7th Dec 7.30pm: (1) Thomas Griffith, U.K. Anniv (2) Tom and Nance Sheehy, Anagap and deceased members of the Sheehy family (3) Thomas and Mary O'Connor, Castlegregory. Anniv. (4) John Paul and Eileen O'Brien, Flemingstown Anniv. (5) Phil Hartnett, Corner House, Annascaul. Anniv. (6) Hannah and Jim Hanafin, Main Street. Anniv.

St Mary's Church, Camp. Sat 30th Nov 6.15pm: Julia and Gene O'Driscoll, Ballyknockane. Anniv. Thurs. 5th Dec. 7pm: Private Intention

St Joseph's Church, Inch Sunday 8th Dec. 10am: (1) Paddy Joe and Mary Lenihan, Glenahera and Den and Patsy Lenihan, South Pole Inn. Anniv. (2) Margaret and Andrew Moriarty, Caheracruttera. Anniv (3) Special Intention.

Parish Office: 066 9157103 Office Hours: Monday: 10am – 1pm Wednesday: 10am – 1pm. Friday: 10am - 4pm. **Priest on duty this Sunday:** Fr Michael Moynihan 087 6551902

Rotas for next weekend:
Sacred Heart, Annascaul, Sat 7th Dec.
7.30pm: Reader: Donna O'Brien
Euch. Minister: Joan Forde
St Joseph's, Inch Sun 8th Dec 10am:
Reader: Máire Ni Riain
Euch. Minister: Hannah M. O'Connor

Offertory Collection last weekend: €790 *Míle Buíochas.*

Diocesan Collection in aid of **Youth Services** will be taken up this weekend.

Parish Envelopes 2025: If there are any Parishioners who would like to receive Parish Envelopes for 2025, please contact the Parish Office on 066-9157103 or email annascaul@dioceseofkerry.ie as soon as possible. Using the envelopes allows the Parish to claim back tax from PAYE Workers and Self-Employed who have contributed €250 or more during the year. Buíochas ó chroí for your generosity.

Mass Bookings: From Jan 1st 2025, all Masses in Annascaul/Camp/Inch will be open to more than one intention. We thank you for your understanding

West Kerry Pilgrimage to Lourdes Sept 14th – 19th 2025: 5 nights from Cork Airport. Cost: €969pps. Deposit €350. Bookings: Contact Cathy or Eileen in the Dingle Parish Office, 066 9151208.

Pope Francis on X: Each of us is called to oppose any form of violence against women and girls. We must work together to ensure that the human rights and dignity of every person are recognized.

Gluten Free hosts are available from the Priest at Communion time.

Thought for the day: If you were to wish people a happy new year today, they would in all probability find it awkward. Nevertheless, we do start a new Christian vear with the season of Advent. The different seasons reminds us of important aspects of being Christian, one of which is the conviction that we may always begin again and start new. Last Sunday, we looked back and today we look forward: what are my hopes for the coming Christian year? How am I now? How would I like to be, as a believer, this time next year? What steps will I take to make that a reality? **Prayer:** O God, we believe that your mercies are new every morning and that your faithfulness is abundant. Come to our help as we start afresh our path of discipleship in this season of longing.

Munster Dioceses "Seeds of Hope"
Conference. An initiative of the dioceses of Kerry, Limerick, Killaloe, Cashel and Emily. Learn how your local parish can respond to the ecological crisis. This biodiversity conference will take place on Saturday 25th Jan 2025 in Springfort Hotel, Mallow. Further details from your parish office, and www.dioceseofkerry.ie

The Annual Christmas Lessons and Carols service will be held in Kilgobbin Church, Camp on the 15th of December at 3pm, followed by tea in the Old School House in Camp. The Village Voices Choir from Castlegregory and the St. Mary's Camp Choir will take part.

Pope's Intention for December: For Pilgrims of Hope: Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Coach to Knock Shrine for Feast of Immaculate Conception Vigil Sat December 7th. Contact: O'Shea's on 066-7180123.

Vacancy for Secretary in Pastoral Centre, Killarney. Applications are invited for the position of a part -time secretary with experience in Microsoft Office and general office duties. Closing date for applications is 5pm on Friday Dec 6th. For further information, please see www.dioceseofkerry.ie

COMMUNITY NOTES

A fundraising **31 card game** in aid of Ionad Pobail Lios Póil will be held on this Sunday December 1st in O'Sullivan's, Garrynadur beginning at 6pm. Tables of 8.

Inch Community Centre: Christmas Dinner for Senior Citizens, Wed 4th Dec; Mass at 12pm followed by lunch. Bingo Night -Thurs 5th Dec at 7:30 pm

Free Information Day for Older Persons in partnership with Older Persons Groups in West Kerry and HSE on Dec 12th, 2024, in Halla Cheann Trá, Ceann Trá. Lots of Speakers and Information Stands on the Day. **Booking Essential**. Please contact John at 087 7590050 or email john.walsh2@hse.ie

Advent Prayer by Henri Nouwen

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas. We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day. We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us. We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom. We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence. We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light. To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"