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CHURCHILL - FENIT

Fourth Sunday of Advent
 22nd December 2024

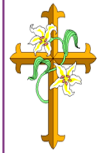


EMERGENCY CALLS: Saturday & Sunday are covered by the priests of the Tralee Pastoral Area (St. John's, Our Lady & St. Brendan's & Spa).

The priest on duty this weekend (21st/22nd December) is Fr. Bernard Healy. Phone: 087 2069656

The priest on duty next weekend (28th/29th December) is Fr. Francis Nolan. Phone: 087 2069656

Masses streamed live on spaparish@dioceseofkerry.ie
 Click on Churchill or Fenit Church



Please pray for all who died recently:

And also for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including:

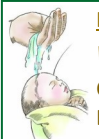
Honor O'Connor, Westcourt, Caherslee, Tralee, (1st anniversary). John Browne, Tawlaught, (1st anniversary). Kathleen & John Hanafin & deceased family members, Church Street, Ardferit. William Mason, The Spa. Michael O'Sullivan, Fenit & U.K. Brendan & Margaret Fitzgerald, Samphire Terrace, Fenit. Bridget & James Dunne, Tralee.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES THIS WEEKEND & COMING WEEK

Saturday 21st Dec.	7.30pm	Churchill	People of the Parish & intentions and thanksgivings recorded in Church intention books and all who have asked for remembrance in prayer.
Sunday 22nd Dec.	9.30am	Fenit	John & Peggy Breen, Doon, Tralee, (anniversaries).
	11.30am	Churchill	Patsy Horgan, Knockanish East, Ballyroe, (2nd anniversary).
Monday 23rd Dec.	10.00am	Fenit	Special Intention.
	2.00pm	Churchill	Dr. Brian Waldon, Lassauagh, The Spa, (anniv.)

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Tuesday Christmas Eve 24th Dec.	3.00pm	Churchill	Children's Mass.
Tuesday Christmas Eve 24th Dec.	5.00pm	Fenit	
Tuesday Christmas Eve 24th Dec.	7.00pm	Churchill	Mass broadcast on Radio Kerry
Wed. Christmas Day 25th Dec.	9.30am	Fenit	
Wed. Christmas Day 25th Dec.	11.30am	Churchill	
Thursday 26th Dec. <i>St. Stephen's Day</i>	7.30pm	Churchill	Jerome Carmody, Glen Side, The Spa, (Month's Mind Mass).
Friday 27th Dec.	7.30pm	Churchill	Margaret O'Sullivan, Chapeltown, (40th anniversary).
Saturday 28th Dec.	7.30pm	Churchill	Denis Casey, Knockanish, (anniversary).
Sunday 29th Dec.	9.30am	Fenit	Eileen Finn, Scrahan, The Spa, (anniversary).
	11.30am	Churchill	Paul Dowling, Listrim, (7th anniversary).



RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome into the Christian Community:

Croia Mari Galvin, Liverpool.
 Daithi Batt McCarthy, Fenit.

KERRY SAMARITANS

Kerry Samaritans Church Gate Collection will be taken up at all the Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses. Please Support.

MESSAGE FROM FR. FRANCIS

Greetings all.

JESSE TREE: This weekend we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent. As we come towards the conclusion our journey of Advent tracing the FAMILY TREE of Jesus we place our final four symbols on the Jesse Tree - Ezekiel, Mary Mother of Jesus, Joseph the Carpenter and John the Baptist.

CHRISTMAS DAY: Wednesday next is Christmas Day when we celebrate the birth of Christ. I invite all parishioners and visitors to join in the celebration. Please encourage all your family members to attend. Please note all the Mass times on the schedule opposite.

CHRISTMAS EVE: On Christmas Eve we begin with the children's Mass at 3.00pm in Churchill Church. Children of all ages are welcome and the Mass will be celebrated in a child-friendly fashion. At 5.00pm Mass will be celebrated in Fenit Church. Mass will be celebrated at 7.00pm in Churchill Church. This Mass will be broadcasted on Radio Kerry which is a great privilege for the parish. Please do your best to arrive on time and to join in the responses and the singing. There will be two Masses on Christmas Day: 9.30am in Fenit Church & 11.30am in Churchill Church.

CAROL SERVICE: Sincere thanks to everyone who participated in last Sunday night's Parish Carol Service in Churchill Church. It was a most joyful and uplifting occasion for all. Míle Buióchas.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM BISHOP RAY BROWNE: Copies of Bishop Ray's Christmas Message will be available at the back of the Churches at the Christmas Masses.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025: Next year will be a Jubilee Year which we celebrate every twenty-five years, the last one being in the year 2000. Next weekend, 28th/29th December marks the beginning of the Jubilee Year. The 7.30pm vigil Mass in Churchill Church next Saturday evening will celebrate the beginning of the Jubilee Year with a special liturgy - candles will be lit and special prayers will be said. Church bells will ring out across the Diocese of Kerry at 5.00pm.

THANKS: Sincere thanks again for your generosity over the past year. Please return any outstanding Capital Fund envelopes and Priests Income envelope by 31st December when our accounts for 2024 will be closed off. Many thanks again for your support of the Parish which is sincerely appreciated.

THANKS: Sincere thanks to the Tralee-based charity ACTION LESOTHO who kindly gave a donation of vestments.

CONFESSIONS: Will be held after the vigil and Sunday Masses this weekend and also on Monday, 23rd December, from 12 noon to 1.30pm in Churchill Church. Due to the Blessing of the Crib in Fenit this Sunday morning, confessions cannot be heard after the 9.30am Mass. However, there will be an opportunity for confession in Fenit Church after the 9.30am Mass on Christmas Day.

FENIT CRIB: The outdoor Crib in Fenit will be blessed this Sunday at 10.30am. All welcome.

PARISH COLLECTION:

8th December 2024: Total: €1,712.39. (Weekly Envelopes & Offertory Collection €882.10, Shrines €485.29, Teach na Sagart €345.00).

15th December 2024: Total: €2,551.75. (Weekly Envelopes & Offertory Collection €946.95, Carol Service Donations €199.80, Teach na Sagart €1,405.00). Thank you for your generosity and making such a huge effort to support the Parish. Míle Buióchas.

*Wishing you all God's
 Blessing and every joy,
 peace and happiness
 for Christmas
 and the New Year.
 Fr. Francis.*

