

**Annascaul Parish:**  
**(Camp, Inch, Annascaul)**  
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**Diocese of Kerry**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**  
**(Gaudete Sunday)**  
**14<sup>th</sup> December 2025.**

**Recent Deaths:** **Bride Hogan,** Ballinacourty. **Thomas Riordan,** John Street, Dingle. *May they rest in peace.*

#### **Masses this Week:**

**Sacred Heart Church, Annascaul.**

**Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 7.30pm:** (1) Joan, Garrett and Mike Fitzgerald, Anagap. Anniv (2) Hannah and Jim Hanafin, Main St. Anniv.

**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 10am:** Private Intention

**Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 7.30pm:** (1) Thomas Griffith, U.K. Anniv. (2) John and Nora Kennedy, Gorticurrane and deceased family members.

#### **St Mary's Church, Camp.**

**Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. 6.15pm:** (1) Molly, Alec and deceased members of the O'Donnell Family, Knockglossmore. (2) Richard Greensmyth, Beheenagh and Johnny and Eugie Deane, Curra. Anniv. (3) John Chambers, Knockglossmore. Anniv. (4) John Barrett, Upper Camp. Anniv and Martin Crean, Knockglossbeg. Anniv.

**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 7pm:** Edward O'Brien, Kiltreenbane, Anniv and his wife Eileen. R.I.P.

#### **St Joseph's Church, Inch**

**Sun 21<sup>st</sup> December 10am:** Jerry and Nellie Griffin, Killeenagh. Anniv and deceased family members.

**Priest on duty this Sunday:**  
Fr Eoghan Ó Cadhla 0876951318

#### **Rotas for next weekend.**

**Sacred Heart, Annascaul, Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

**7.30pm: Reader:** Caitriona Counihan.

**Euch. Minister:** Joan Forde

**St Joseph's, Inch Sun 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 10am:**

**Reader:** Mary O'Donnell

**Euch. Minister:** Hannah M. O'Connor

#### **Offertory Collection last weekend:**

€650.00. **Holyday:** €130.00. *Mile Buíochas*

#### **Christmas Envelope is due at this time.**

spare envelopes in the 3 Churches.

**If any parishioners would like to be included in our parish envelope scheme for 2026,** please contact the Parish Office on 066-9157103 or email annascaul@dioceseofkerry.ie or **as soon as possible.** Anyone who contributes €250 or over enables the parish to claim back tax on it, provided the person who has given it is a taxpayer. **Parish Boxes are available from this weekend. Some box numbers have changed.**

#### **St Mary's Church, Camp:**

**Ecumenical Carol Service:** this Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 3pm. All welcome. Refreshments afterwards in the Old School; home baking appreciated.

**'Scéilín na Nollag':** Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec after the 7pm Mass.

**Christmas Pope Leo XIV on X:** The prophet Isaiah compared the Kingdom of God to a sprout, an image not of power or destruction, but of birth and renewal. The Church experienced this with the Second Vatican Council, which concluded exactly sixty years ago. We renew that experience when we journey toward the Kingdom of God, together with all those who eagerly welcome and serve it.

**Pope's Intention for December:** For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope

**Gluten free hosts** are available from the Priest at Communion time.

#### **Have Your Say about your Catholic**

**School -** For Attention of Parents of children attending Primary Schools or have yet to start: The Dept of Education is conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Have your say by December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025. See - <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/> .

**Thought for the day:** Joy in believing might seem an "extra" in today's challenging climate for faith. Many of us struggle simply to hold on, not to mention being exuberant about it all. And yet, of course there is deep happiness in faith. First of all, everything around is a gift and behind all the gifts stands a giver. Secondly, love is at the heart of it all and, in the faith, nothing is ever "lost" or "wasted." Faith, hope and love endure and the greatest of these is love. Finally, why not "permit" ourselves true joy in all that God has done for us and still does for us in Jesus and in the Holy Spirit? **Prayer:** *We believe, loving God, that you take delight in all you have made. Open up in us again the springs of joy, that we may delight in you, our true joy. Amen* (Fr Kieran O'Mahony)

**KCYS Diocesan Collection:** Last year, the Kerry Diocesan Youth Service became the Kerry Community Youth Service, a new legal entity and 100% independent of the diocese. Bishop Ray would like to thank all from the diocese who have contributed their time, ability and energy to the Diocesan Youth Service over the past fifty years. While the new Youth Service is completely independent of the diocese, Bishop Ray is keen to support its commitment to young people in our diocese. **The annual collection will be taken up this weekend, Sat 13<sup>th</sup> in Camp.** Your support is very much appreciated.

#### **COMMUNITY NOTES**

**Inch Senior Citizens Christmas Party,** at Inch Community Centre on Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Dec beginning with **Mass at 12.30pm,** followed by lunch and entertainment.

**Biongó Mór na Nollag i bPobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne,** this Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm; Great prizes!

**Dingle New Music Choir and Orchestra** will have their Christmas concerts in St Mary's Church, Dingle as follows: Matinee on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 4.00pm and Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm. Tickets €15 from Walsh's and Grogan's Pharmacies.

#### **Christmas Masses in the Parish**

**Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>:**

St Mary's Camp at 6.15pm

Sacred Heart, Annascaul at 7.30pm

**Christmas Day, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>:**

St Joseph's Inch at 10.00am.

**Confessions:** Saturday December 20<sup>th</sup> in Sacred Heart Church, Annascaul after Mass.

**Parish Office: 066 9157103.**

**Office Hours:** Monday: 10am – 1pm.

Wednesday: 10am – 1pm; Fri.: 10am – 4pm