

# Castletownbere/Rossmacowen/Bere Island Parish Newsletter

## 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent. 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

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Priest on Emergency Duty for Beara & Kenmare. Fr. John Kerin, 0861918246

Please pray for all those who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

### Sacred Heart Church Castletownbere

Saturday	30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.30pm	John & Teresa O'Sullivan, Fuher.
Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec.	12.00pm	Michael & Philomena O'Neill, Foildearg
Tuesday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	7.30pm	Donal Harrington.
Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	10.00am 10.30am	Private Intention Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	10.00.am	No Mass
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	7.30pm	No Mass.
Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	6.30pm	Peter Hanley.
Sunday	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	12.00pm	Willie & Chrissie Sheehan, West End.
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	10.00am	Private Intention. The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Confessions at Sacred Heart Church Every Sat at 12:00 noon.**

### St Bartholomew's Church Rossmacowen

Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec.	10:00am	
Sunday	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	10.00am	John Power and his daughter Marian Power

### St Michaels Church Bere Island

#### Mass Live on Bere Island Community Radio 100.1fm

Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec.	10.00am	Robert Byrne, Rerrin.
Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	10.00am	Burial of Ashes, Martin Kavanagh
Sunday	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	10.00am	Mary & John Coughlan and their daughter Joan Regan

**Parish Office:** (located at left side of church) Tues. Wed. & Thurs. 10.00am to 1pm.

**Mass Cards** are for sale in the Parish office, **Diary 2025** is available in the parish office (70288) if you wish to book Masses. All town Masses streamed live.

Access the streaming <https://mcn.live/Camera/church-of-the-sacred-heart-1>

\*Weekly envelopes can be placed in the Black Box at the back of the Church.

\* Eucharistic Adoration. Wednesday at 10.30am -11.30am Main Church. All welcome

<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	7/8 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Cait Donegan, John Wiseman & Catherine Mills.
<b>Readers</b>	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> dec.	Irene Lynch & Michael Downey.
<b>Altar Servers</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec..	Danny Orpen, Laoise Orpen, Fionn Gilsensan & Mike & Ollie Fenton

<b>Week 1.</b>	<b>Week 2.</b>
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Advent.: Celebrated on the 4 Sundays before Christmas, it is a time of 4 weeks' preparation as we wait in hope.

Begins with the vigil on the eve of the First Sunday of Advent and concludes on the afternoon of Christmas Eve

The colours violet or purple in Advent help us to remember that we are preparing for the coming of Christ.

The colour rose may be used on the Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, as an anticipation of the joy of Christmas

During Advent, each Sunday gospel reading has a distinctive theme:

First Sunday – the Lord's coming at the end of time

Second and Third Sundays – John the Baptist

Fourth Sunday – the events that prepared immediately for the Lord's birth.

\*Wednesday December 18th from 11am to 1pm- Beara West Family Resource Centre Christmas party. We invite you to join us on Wednesday December the 18th from 11am to 1pm for our Christmas Party. All are welcome, whether you've availed of our services or not. Come and enjoy some Christmas treats, cuppa and some songs with Pat Higgins. If you play an instrument, bring it along to join in.

### Vacancy for Pastoral Centre Secretary

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 5 pm on Friday Dec 6th. For further information, please see [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

### Reflection/prayer.

JOY AND HOPE. We look forward with joy to the coming of Jesus

God Bless.

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