

Castletownbere/Rossmacowen/Bere Island Parish Newsletter

**2nd Sunday of Advent.
8th December 2024.**

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Priest on Emergency Duty for Beara & Kenmare. Fr. Niall Howard, 0879365370

Please pray for all those who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Please pray for Sr. Constance Sullivan, Derrymihan East, who died recently in England.

Sacred Heart Church Castletownbere

Saturday	7 th Dec.	6.30pm	Peter Hanley.
Sunday	8 th Dec.	12.00pm	Willie & Chrissie Sheehan, West End.
Monday	9 th Dec.	10.00am	Private Intention. Feast of the Immaculate conception of the blessed Virgin Mary.
Tuesday	10 th Dec	7.30pm	No Mass.
Wednesday	11 th Dec.	10.00am 10.30am	No Mass Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday	12 th Dec.	10.00.am	No Mass
Friday	13 th Dec.	7.30pm	John & Mary Murphy, West End.
Saturday	14 th Dec.	6.30pm	Month's mind. Shiela Lynch.
Sunday	15 th Dec.	12.00pm	William & Shiela Harrington, and deceased members of the Harrington Family, Finaha.

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

St Bartholomew's Church Rossmacowen

Sunday	8 th Dec	10:00am	John Power and his daughter Marian Power
Sunday	15 th	10.00am	Peggy O'Sullivan, Bank.

St Michaels Church Bere Island

Mass Live on Bere Island Community Radio 100.1fm

Sunday	8 th Dec.	10.00am	Mary & John Coughlan and their daughter Joan Regan
Sunday	15 th Dec.	10.00am	Please pray for John sullivan, Barrule.
Sunday	15 th Dec.	10.00am	Josie & John Sullivan, Derrycreveen.

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

Ministers of the Eucharist	14/15 Dec.	Catherine Mills, Kay Breen & Sandra O'Shea.
Readers	14/15 th Dec.	Gillian O'Neill & Grace Forde.
Altar Servers	15 th Dec.	Cian Twomey, Nathan O'Shea, Katie O'Sullivan & Jack Kenny.

Week 1.

Saturday Vigil

6.30pm Castletownbere

8.00pm Adrigole

6.30pm Allihies

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Sunday Mass

Bere Island 10.00am

Castletownbere 12.00pm.

Rossmacowen Church 10.00am

Holy Days as previous week.

Week 2.

Saturday Vigil

6.30pm Castletownbere

8.00pm Adrigole

Sunday Mass

Bere Island 10.00am

Cahermore 10.00am

Castletownbere 12.00pm.

Ardgroom 11.30am

Rossmacowen Church 10.00am

Holy Days as previous week.

Week 2 7/8th Dec. Week 1 Dec. 14/15th Week 2. Dec. 21/22nd.

*Sunday 8/12 - Country Market will be held in the Halla of Scoil an Chroí Ró Naofa from 11-2. There will be a huge selection of stalls containing local crafts and produce from the Beara Peninsula and further afield. Always a great day.

* Beara West Family Resource Centre **Christmas party.** We invite you to join us on Wednesday December the 18th from 11am to 1pm. Come and enjoy some Christmas treats, some songs with Pat Higgins. If you play an instrument, bring it along.

Job Vacancy

We are currently recruiting for the Part Time role of Family Carers Development Worker. The full application form is available from www.bearawestfrc.ie/jobs or contact us directly for more info. The deadline is 8th January at 12noon.

Christmas Craft & Chat Women's Group on Thursday 12th December from 7pm – 8pm in Beara West .

The Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference are delighted to be bringing you our digital Advent Calendar again this year. Advent marks the beginning of the new calendar year for Christians. The digital Advent calendar offers a distinctive and spiritually enriching way to journey through this holy season. Based on the Jubilee Year's theme of *#Hope*, the 2024 calendar offers prayers and resources designed to guide individuals, families and faith communities to reflect on the hope that Christ brings to the world, while also preparing for the upcoming Holy Jubilee Year in 2025.

To access the calendar please visit: <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/adventcalendar/>

Reflection/prayer.

God of Power and mercy open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

God Bless.

Fr. Noel 0872935969