

Castletownbere/Rossmacowen/Bere Island Parish Newsletter

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

Sacred Heart Church Castletownbere

Saturday	14 th Feb.	6.30pm	Denis & Nancy Lowney Knockoura
Sunday	15 th Feb.	12.00pm	Personal Intention
Tuesday	17 th Feb.	7.00pm	People of the Parish
Wednesday	18 th Feb.	7.30am 10.00am	Ash Wednesday Mass Distribution of Ashes/ Prayer service
Thursday	19 th Feb.	10.00am	
Friday	20 th Feb.	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross.
Saturday	21 st Feb.	6.30pm	Dr. John Lyne, North Road.
Sunday	22 nd Feb.	12.00pm	Jerry Cronin, Derrymihan East.

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

Baptisms will be held on Saturdays at 2pm.

St Bartholomew's Church Rossmacowen

Sunday	15 th Feb.	10:00am	Special Intention
Sunday	22 nd Feb.	10.00am	

St Michaels Church Bere Island

Mass Live on Bere Island Community Radio 100.1fm

Sunday	15 th Feb.	10.00am	Pat McCarthy Months Mind
Wednesday	18 th Feb.	10.00am	Ash Wednesday Mass and distribution of ashes
Sunday	22 nd Feb.	10.00am	Jim Crowley & deceased members of the Crowley & Walsh families

Parish Office (located at left side of church). Please note a change to office hours this week, Tues & Thurs 10am – 1pm. Diary 2026 is available for bookings, contact Trish on 027 -70288. Mass cards are available at the office. All Castletownbere Masses are live streamed @ <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

***2nd Collection 7th/8th February Lourdes Helpers:**

Ministers of the Eucharist	21 st /22 nd Feb.	Mary Murphy (Droum), Trish Orpen, Catherine Mills
Readers	21 st /22 nd Feb.	Nancy Sheehan, Catherine Mills
Altar servers	22 nd Feb.	Ellie O'Sullivan, Sean O'Sullivan, Grace O'Sullivan
Church Cleaning Group 3	16 th Feb.	

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 15th February 2026

Priest on Emergency Duty for Beara & Kenmare. Fr. Sean Murphy 087 6684971

Week 1.	Week 2.
Saturday Vigil 6.30pm Castletownbere 8.00pm Adrigole 6.30pm Allihies 8.00pm Eyerics Sunday Mass Bere Island 10.00am Castletownbere 12.00pm. Rossmacowen Church 10.00am Holy Days as previous week.	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: 14th/15th Feb.	Week 1: 21st/22nd Feb. Week 2: 28th Feb/1st Mar.

* Lent is the period of reflection and preparation for the great Christian festival of Easter. Its origins lie in the Forty Days that Jesus spent in the wilderness. The writers of the Gospels tell us that, after his baptism, the Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert where, through fasting and prayer, Jesus learned complete trust in God. May that be your experience too as you journey with God this Lent.

***Ashes will be available at the back of the church for any parishioners that are unable to attend the services.**

***Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday at 7pm in Sacred Heart Church during Lent.

*** Training for parish funeral teams:** Training will begin in March 2026. The training will focus on enabling lay people to lead prayer at the time of a death – e.g. in the family home, at the funeral home, at the Reception of the Body at the church as well as leading the prayer at a burial. It will enable people to visit the bereaved and support them in preparing the funeral Mass. The training will be done in a hybrid fashion – some work online and some work in person. Please contact the office if interested 027 70288 or Fr. Amos 087 1085431 by 20th February.

***BRING PEACE TO THE WORLD — STARTING THE COMMUNAL FIRST SATURDAY IN OUR PASTORAL AREA**

In response to Our Lady of Fatima, the First Saturday will commence in our pastoral area on the 7th March in Castletownbere. If you would like to participate in this devotion, which includes The Introduction, The Rosary, Prayers of the Faithful, and the Meditation, please contact Kate 087 6884124 or the Parish Office 027 70288. Father Amos will support the devotional with mass celebrated at 10 am on the Saturday morning. All are welcome to attend.

Come back to me with all your heart, fasting, weeping, mourning. Let your hearts be broken not your garments torn, turn to the Lord your God again, for he is all tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in graciousness, and ready to relent. Joel 2:12-18

God Bless,
Fr. Amos (087 1085431)