

Castletownbere/Rossmacowen/Bere Island Parish Newsletter

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Please pray for those who died recently and whose anniversaries occur at this time. We offer our prayers for Margaret O'Shea, Derrymihan West, who died during the week. May she rest in peace. Pray for Michael Power, Brandy and Dublin who's anniversary occurs at this time.

Sacred Heart Church Castletownbere

Saturday	18 th July	12.00pm	Funeral Mass Margaret O'Shea, Derrymihan West
		6.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday	19 th July	12.00pm	Personal Intention
Wednesday	22 nd July	10.00am	
		10.30-11.30	Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday	23 rd July	10.00am	
Friday	24 th July	12.00pm	Kathleen Twomey 1 st Anniversary
Saturday	25 th July	6.30pm	John & Kathleen Regan, Toormore
Sunday	26 th July	12.00pm	Mary Cronin, Derrymihan East Anniversary

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

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	19 th July	10:00am	
Sunday	26 th July	10.00am	

St Michaels Church Bere Island

Mass Live on Bere Island Community Radio 100.1fm

Sunday	19 th July	10.00am	Brenda & Leo K Sullivan and their daughter-in-law Ann.
Sunday	26 th July	10.00am	Deceased members of The O'Driscoll Family

Parish Office (located at left side of church). Office will be open Wednesday & Thursday 9am-2pm. (Please note the change). 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>

Ministers of the Eucharist	25 th /26 th July	Margaret Dwyer, Trish Orpen, Ellen Dunne
Readers	25 th /26 th July	Luke O'Neill/Conor Lynch, Margaret Hurley
Altar servers	26 th July	Nathan O'Shea, Laoise Orpen, Róise O'Neill, Zara McCarthy

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 19th July 2026

Priest on Emergency Duty for Beara & Kenmare. Fr. Niall Howard 087 9365370

Week 1.	Week 2.
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Week 2: 18th/19th July Week 1: 25th/26th July Week 2: 1st/2nd August	

***Beara Funeral Teams:** The death of a loved one is a difficult time. We are plunged into sadness, loss, grief and yet there is much to be done. As a community, part of our ritual is to pray with the body of our loved one, in the family home or in the hospital, at the funeral before bringing their body to the church. Sometimes there is a family member who is ready to lead the prayer. At other times, it is helpful to have someone lead the prayer on the family's behalf. Beara Pastoral Area will introduce parish funeral teams. The role of this group is to be available to lead prayer in a family home, at the funeral home and also to lead the Reception of the Body at the church. Working alongside Fr John and Fr Amos, they will begin their ministry over the coming months.

***Water Safety Lessons:** Castletownbere Water Safety lessons commence @ Golf Club beach on 20th July. Book online @ wciccastletownbere@gmail.com. Registration on Sunday 19th July from 12.30pm- 1.30pm.

***Annual Leave:** We would like to extend best wishes to Fr. Amos as he returns home to Kenya for a long overdue holiday, for one month. We hope he has a wonderful time with his family and friends and look forward to welcoming him back on 23rd August.

***Farm Plastic Collection:** Collection takes place on Tuesday 21st July at Donegan's Plant Hire, Derrymihan West, Castletownbere from 9am-5pm. Charge of €60 with proof of purchase invoice.

***Youth2000 Ireland Annual Summer Festival:** Youth2000 Ireland (aged 16 - 35) are currently preparing for their annual Summer Festival which will take place from Thursday 13th – Sunday 16th August in Newbridge College Co. Kildare. This event brings together young people from across the country for a time of prayer, community and encounter with Christ. At the heart of the mission is a deep desire to lead young people closer to the heart of the Church, helping them to grow in faith and to discover their place within the Church. **The event operates on a donation basis only, there is no charge for attendance.** A bus will leave Tralee on Thursday 13th and return on Sunday 16th. Booking is online via the www.youth2000.ie website.

ANNUAL CEMETERY MASSES 2026 :

St. Mary's Cemetery Droum, Castletownbere 31st July @ 7pm

St. Bartholomew's Cemetery, Rossmacowen 7th August @ 7pm.

St. Michael's Bere Island, 9th August @ 10am

God Bless, Fr. Amos (087 1085431)