Castletownbere/Rossmacowen/Bere Island Parish Newsletter

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th September 2026

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Priest on Emergency Duty for Beara & Kenmare. Fr. Amos Ruto 087 1085431

Please pray for those who died recently and whose anniversaries occur at this time.
Please pray for Michael Harrington, Cahermore who died during the week.

Sacred Heart Church Castletownbere

Saturday	5th Sept.	6.30pm	John & Peg Downey, Blackrock Terrace
Sunday	6th Sept.	12.00pm	Patrick & Dympna Mullins, Carrigaline & Castletownbere, Paddy Mullins, Blackrock Terrace, Castletownbere.
Tuesday	8th Sept.	7.00pm	Deceased members of The Hanley Family, The Square , Castletownbere.
Wednesday	9th Sept.	10.00am 10.30-11.30	Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday	10th Sept.	10.00am	
Saturday	.12th Sept.	6.30pm	Jim Dan O'Sullivan 1st Anniversary Mass
Sunday	13th Sept.	12.00pm	Mass for The Castletownbere Choir

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	6th Sept	10:00am	Spencer Family, Church Gate, Mary and little Margaret who died tragically at 3 years of age.
Sunday	.13th Sept.	10.00am	For all those who have given service to Rossmacowen Church over the years

St Michaels Church Bere Island
Mass Live on Bere Island Community Radio 100.1fm

Sunday	6th Sept.	10.00am	Robert Byrne & deceased members of the Harrington & Byrne families.
Sunday	13th Sept.	10.00am	Mass for The Bere Island Choir

Parish Office (located at left side of church). Office will be open Tuesday, Weds & Thurs 9.30am-1.30pm.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	12th/13th Sept.	Mary Murphy (Droum), Mary Dudley, Joan Murphy
Readers	12th/13th Sept.	Maria O'Conor, Anne Harrington
Altar servers	13th Sept.	Robyn Kelly, Art Duncan, Eva Mulpeter

Week 1.	**Week 2.**
Saturday Vigil	**Saturday Vigil**
6.30pm Castletownbere	6.30pm Castletownbere
8.00pm Adrigole	8.00pm Adrigole
6.30pm Allihies	**Sunday Mass**
8.00pm Eyeries	Bere Island 10.00am
Sunday Mass	Cahermore 10.00am
Bere Island 10.00am	Castletownbere 12.00pm.
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Rossmacowen Church 10.00am	Rossmacowen Church 10.00am
Holy Days as previous week.	**Holy Days as previous week.**

Week 1: 5th/6th Sept. **Week 2:** 12th/13th Sept. **Week 1:**19th/20th Sept.

***SECOND COLLECTION 5TH/6TH SEPTEMBER FOR DIOCESAN NEEDS**

***Beara West Carers Circle, Monthly Coffee Morning:** Monday September 7th from 11.30am to 1pm Come along to our Walsh Suite the first Monday of every month (except Bank Holidays) for a cuppa, a chat and peer support in a safe and friendly environment. A chance to meet other carers, share your thoughts and enjoy some time together. Drop in and leave at any time to suit your schedule. Friends are also welcome for extra support. Contact Sharon, Family Carers Development Worker, at 083 112 5299 for more information.

HerSpace event: Macrame Plant Hanger Workshop - Tuesday September 8th from 2.30–4.30pm
Join us for a fun afternoon of crafting and chat to make and take home your very own Macrame plant hanger. No experience needed. Spaces are limited to eight, so book your place soon. A €5 donation is kindly requested. Contact the Centre on 027 70998 for information and bookings.

Creative Arts Sessions for Carers - Thursdays, 2.30pm–4.30pm 10 September - 15 October
Join artist Catherine Weld for six gentle, creative sessions designed especially for carers. Catherine will be facilitating all of the sessions in Beara West Resource Centre in Castletownbere. These sessions offer a safe, supportive space to explore creativity through a range of relaxing art activities, providing an opportunity to take some time for yourself, unwind, connect with others and enjoy a break from the daily demands and responsibilities of caring. No previous art experience is needed. All materials and refreshments will be provided, and the sessions are completely free of charge. Booking is essential to secure your place, call 027 70998.

***Season of Creation 2026:**The Season of Creation begins on Tuesday, 1 September, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and continues until 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. This year's theme is Living Water. All are invited to participate in an activity or take action to care for creation. A special leaflet containing ideas and practical suggestions is available in your parish. Further information: www.dioceseofkerry.ie/justice

***The Communal First Saturday**: Devotions will be held on Saturday the 5th Sept commencing at 9.20 am in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Castletownbere. It will begin with introductory prayers followed by the Rosary at 9.30am. Mass is at 10.00 with 15 minutes meditation immediately after Mass. Confession will begin at 9.20 am.

God Bless, Fr. Amos (087 1085431)