



The World Community for Christian Meditation

Bere Island Easter Meditation Retreat 20-27 March 2016 Led by Fr Laurence Freeman OSB

The Bere Island Easter Meditation Retreat is an interior pilgrimage of the Easter mysteries as they unfold in Holy Week. The Retreat programme includes regular meditation periods, talks by Fr Laurence Freeman, the Easter liturgies with the island people and time for reading, walks and solitude.

With its deep history and great natural beauty, Bere Island is an ideal space to open to the spiritual meaning of the season. Join us for our Annual Easter Retreat.



Gallán Standing Stone, Bere Island

Bere Island Easter Meditation Retreat

Palm Sunday opens the Retreat with a liturgy in the church at 10.00 am followed by a talk and meditation at the Heritage Centre at 5.30 pm. There will be yoga each morning at the Heritage Centre followed by regular meditation periods and talks by Fr. Laurence. The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be on Thursday at 7.00 pm. The Good Friday service will be at 3.00 pm. The Easter Vigil will begin on Saturday at 9.00 pm. At dawn on Easter Morning those who wish will assemble by the Standing Stone in the centre of the island. The Retreat will conclude at the Heritage Centre with a final talk and meditation at 8.00 am. There will however be an Easter Mass at the parish church at 10.00 am to which all are welcome.

Participants are of course welcome to come before or stay after the Retreat and enjoy the island. The Retreat is open to all and some sessions are particularly addressed to young adults.

Accommodation, Food and Travel

Participants are responsible for booking their own accommodation, food and travel although advice and assistance is offered by Theresa.

Cost & Registration

- A registration fee of **250 EURO** is required to book your place.
- Please contact Theresa Hobbs: theresawccm@gmail.com or (+353) 0861621803 for any information.
- To register: <https://io-wccm.org/civCRM/event/info?id=36&reset=1>

Anyone with special needs of any kind is requested to advise us upon booking.

Bere Island

Accommodation and Services

Lawrence Cove Lodge B&B/Self Catering Rerrin 027 75988 www.bereislandlodge.com

The Hotel B&B Ballinakilla 027 75018 hotel118@hotmail.com

Martello View B&B/S/C Cloughland 027 75052/086 1981541 martelloview@eircom.et

Bere Island Holiday Homes B&B/Self Catering Ardagh 086 8845709
www.bereislandholidayhomes.com

Ardagh Holiday Village Self Catering Ardagh 064 6641170 www.dreamireland.com

Jims Place Self Catering Greenane irishcot@irishcot.com www.irishcot.com

Log Cabins Self Catering Derricreeveen 086 2423140 biferry@eircom.net

The American House Self Catering Rerrin +41798342507 thom.kleiss@bluewin.ch

Restaurants, Hotels & Shops

The Bakehouse Café Food Rerrin, 027 75004

The Hotel Pub/Food Ballinakilla 027 75018

O'Sullivan's Pub Pub Rerrin 027 75192

Murphy's Shop & Post Office Shop/Post Office Rerrin 027 75004



- More information about Bere Island can be found at www.bereisland.net
- More information about The World Community for Christian Meditation can be found at www.wccm.org

Getting Here

Bere Island is reached by 2 ferry services from Castletownbere as follows:

Bere Island Ferries (West End) from slip opposite Super Valu:

086 2423140 www.bereislandferries.com

Murphys Ferry Service (East End) from pontoon 3 miles outside Castletownbere on the Glengarriff side: 087 2386095 www.murphysferry.com

BUS

Harringtons bus from Cork, bookings essential: 027 74003

Bus Eireann: 021 4508188 www.buseireann.ie

Car Hire from Cork Airport: www.corkairport.com/to_from/car_hire.html

By Car from Cork:

Follow signs for Kinsale (N27) at Kinsale Rd Roundabout, follow signs for Killarney/West Cork (N25), at Sarsfield Rd Roundabout, take 2nd exit (N25), at Bandon Rd Roundabout take first exit (N71), straight through next small roundabout, follow N71 to Bandon, passing through Innishannon. At Bandon, turn right at T Junction, following signs for Bantry/Dunmanway R586, passing through Enniskean /Ballineen and Dunmanway, where you will follow signs for Bantry, continuing on R586, passing through Drimoleague at Junction N71, turn right and follow road to Bantry, drive through Bantry and take the Glengarriff road heading west, drive through Glengarriff and turn left at the junction and head for Castletownbere.

From Kerry:

Follow signs for Kenmare, N71, at Moll's Gap turn left (signposted Kenmare), follow signs for Glengarriff N71, turn right at the junction and head for Castletownbere.

From Rosslare:

Take the N25 through New Ross, Waterford, Dungarvan, Youghal and Cork. As you come into Cork you will turn left onto the Southern Ring Rd (N25) and follow the signs all the way round it for the N71 to Bandon and proceed as above.



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