St David and St Patrick's Catholic Parish



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Mass times for the week ahead: 7th - 13th November Week 32 of liturgical year C.

Mon No Mass

Tue No Mass. All Saints of Wales.

Wed Eucharistic Service at 10:00am. Dedication of the

Lateran Basilica.

Thur No Mass. St Leo the Great

Fri No Mass. St Martin of Tours

Sat 6:00pm Haverfordwest - Anticipated Mass of Sunday

Sun 10:00am Haverfordwest; 5:00pm Narberth

Saint of the Week Born in Hungary, St Martin lived his younger life in Italy where he was a soldier. However, he couldn't reconcile his faith with battle and so left the army. He was to become a hermit at Tours in France, where he spent most of his adult life. His seclusion was short lived as he was appointed bishop of the town by popular acclamation. He is noted for works of charity and it is said that, upon seeing a naked beggar, he cut his cloak in two and clothed him. That night Martin had a dream of Christ, who was dressed in the beggar's cloak - which by the following day had been restored to completeness. He's the patron saint of beggars.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST November is the traditional month of the Holy Souls when we pray for our dead and remember them at Mass. If you would like your loved ones to be remembered at our Masses, then please take an envelope from the porch to return your list of names and any Mass offering you wish to make. During the month, all weekday Masses will be offered for the Holy Souls and the names submitted will be remembered at every Mass. The names shall be placed on the Lady Altar where votive lamps may be lit and the Book of the Dead, which lists the deceased of our parish, will be placed near the altar at every Mass too.

ARS MORIENDI or in English, 'The art of dying well' refers to mediaeval texts which said how the faithful person should prepare for death and cope with death in their midst. This text has been updated somewhat for modern times by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales and turned into a website with lots of information and video clips. The site offers support to those grappling with issues around the meaning of death and dying. Based in the Catholic tradition, but open to all, it features real-life stories about dealing with the journey through death to eternal life. It is designed for those who are dying, their friends and family, for carers and makes a contribution to the national debate. Expert advice has been sought from professionals in palliative care, ethics, chaplaincy, history and media. There are some prayer cards in the porches of the church, and the website is www.artofdyingwell.org

Quiz Night There will be a parish quiz night on Saturday 26th November in the parish hall from 7:00pm (just after the evening Mass). Please put the date in your diary and start thinking about teams of 4 to 6 people. There's lots of time to get some revision done now as all 'phones will be banned! There will be some nibbles available but feel free to bring along some food and drink if you wish. Bill's Bottle Hamper will be a raffle prize on the night. If you would like to donate a bottle then please leave it in the Sacristy.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION LECTURE On Thursday December 8th at 7pm we will welcome Fr Bruce Burbidge who will be presenting a Lecture on Mary.

PARKING it is very disappointing that I have to, <u>ONCE AGAIN</u>, reiterate that we need to be respectful when we park our cars. I have argued in the public sphere and been in the papers twice to say that our parish does know how to park properly and, based on that, have fought the council to reduce the extent of yellow lines soon to be painted. It is highly embarrassing when local residents have to interrupt Mass so that cars can be moved to give them access to property. In 6 months' time the parking restrictions about to be implemented will be up for review. If we want to keep some free parking for the parish, then what we have must be used wisely now.

VOCATIONS DIRECTORS' CONFERENCE This week Fr Liam will be attending the Vocation Directors' Conference whose work examines how men apply for the priesthood and how they are assessed and educated in our seminary system. Every Diocese in England and Wales is represented and the conference's work is essential so that we have good quality clergy for many years to come. Please do keep the work of the conference in your prayers. If you need an emergency priest for hospital/sick calls, please contact Fr Valentine on 07449 644861.

WILL YOU FIND ONE MOMENT THIS WEEK TO PRAY FOR THOSE OF OUR PARISH WHO ARE ILL? Including, Annie Carter, Mercedes Davies, Peter Fowler, Bryn Hancock, Anne Harding, Janet Jenkins, Mary Philips, Indra Singh, Yolanda Servini, Teresa Thomas, Toby Williams.