



## St David and St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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Mass times for the week ahead: 19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> December

Week 4 of Advent of liturgical year A.

**Mon** 10:00am at Haverfordwest

**Tue** 2:00pm at St Luke's Chapel, Withbush Hospital

**Wed** 10:00am at H'west, 7:00pm at Narberth

**Thur** No Mass

**Fri** 10:00am Mass

**Sat** 5:00pm Haverfordwest

**Sun** 00:00am and 9:30am at H'west; 11:30am Narberth

### **Christmas Services.**

CHRISTMAS EVE: 5pm, at Haverfordwest, a Mass for younger children and their parents – but anyone can of course attend, so long as you don't mind a little extra noise. At 11:30pm there will be carol singing before the blessing of the crib and Mass.

CHRISTMAS DAY: 00:00am at Haverfordwest. Traditional Midnight Mass with the blessing of the crib.

At 9:30am, Mass in Haverfordwest

At 11:30am, Mass in Narberth

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS BOARD** in lieu of cards, for those who may wish to leave messages on the greetings board with any donations going to help refugees settling in Narberth. Just write your greeting on the sticker and attach to the board and your donation can be placed in the box provided. Please see Ann Harris for more information.

**CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS** After Sunday Mass this weekend, there will be a short music practice. Anyone in the parish may attend. Also, on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm, there will be a full music practice to have a run through of the Christmas Music. If you don't normally sing in the choir, still feel free to come along and to give your vocal chords a warm-up for the big day. The more the merrier!

**MIDNIGHT MASS REFRESHMENTS** After Midnight Mass on Christmas morning there will be mince pies and mulled wine in the hall. All are welcome to come along to toast the birth of Jesus Christ.

**BAPTISMS** A warm welcome to two of the newest members of our congregation Baptised this weekend: Elinor Rose George and Parker David John Hughes.

**SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE** Do you have some spare time to act as the new parish safeguarding representative? This important role is not too onerous, and will start with a training session in Haverfordwest from the diocesan safeguarding coordinator on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017. This session will involve a handover from Angela Dullaghan, who has very kindly held this role for several years. I'd like to thank her for all her hard work and support during that time. The main function of the safeguarding rep. is to coordinate the application of DBS checks for those in the parish who wish to work with children or vulnerable adults. If you can support your parish by taking on this role please speak with Fr Liam or with Angela herself (01437 764038).

**CHRISTMAS CRIB COLLECTION** Bishop Tom has asked that any money collected from Christmas Cribs in the Diocese of Menevia, be used to support two charities, they are Missio's free school meal programme in Kenya and our own diocesan refugee fund.

**POPE FRANCIS** We give thanks for the life and ministry of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, who celebrates his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday this weekend. May the Lord continue to bless him and give him all the graces he needs to shepherd and guide the Church.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** Many thanks to all of you who supported the recent lecture and attended the Penitential Service – it was wonderful to see such a good turn out. The visiting clergy all commented on the zeal of parishioners to prepare for Christmas in this way, so well done! If you would still like to go to confession before Christmas, there will be an opportunity on Christmas Eve from 2pm to 3pm. If you have family members from other parishes who wish to come to the sacrament please let them know; some of them may wish to come to an unknown priest!

**THANK YOU** In this busy time of year, may I say thank you to all those who have helped prepare the church in various ways for the coming celebrations. I don't say it often enough, but your hard work doesn't go unnoticed and is appreciated by the whole community. Thank you.

**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