



St David and St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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Mass times for 12th – 18th February 2018

Week 6 of Weekday Cycle II, Year B.

Mon 10:00am Mass at Haverfordwest

Tue 2:00pm Mass at Withybush Hospital. Mardi Gras.

Ash Wed 10:00am Haverfordwest, 7:00pm Narberth

Thur 10:00am Mass at Haverfordwest

Fri: No Mass

Sat 6:00pm Sunday Vigil Mass at Haverfordwest.

Sun 10:00am Mass at Haverfordwest,
5:00pm Mass at Narberth.

Saint of the Week. Although Ash Wednesday takes precedence this year, February 14th is the feast of Sts Cyril and Methodius who were brothers born c825AD. They were from Thessalonica, but in later life traveled to Moravia where they became known as the Apostles to the Slavs. They invented the letterforms of the language Glagolitsa, which developed into modern Cyrillic text and the language 'Old Church Slavonic'. Through the use of this language they spread the Gospels to the eastern parts of Europe and today are co-patron Saints of Europe with St Benedict, St Bridget of Sweden, St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross and St Catherine of Sienna.

ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT starts on the 14th February, the feast of Sts Cyril and Methodius. Mass with the distribution of Ashes will take place at 10am in St David and St Patrick's Church and the parish will be joined by our school. At 7.00pm, Mass will be at the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Narberth. Additionally there will be an opportunity to receive the ashes in a short prayer service at 7:45am. Ash Wednesday is not a holy day of obligation, but is a day of fasting from food and abstaining from meat. During the Lenten season we practice fasting, prayer and almsgiving. That is, we give up some element of our food intake, we spend more time in prayer or try different ways of praying and we give our time, money or effort to carry out some extra work of charity. During Lent (on Friday 23rd February) in the CAFOD Lenten fast day. On this day any money saved from fasting from food can be given to CAFOD, the Church's charity. Next weekend envelopes will be available for this.

WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER This year it's our parish's turn to host the international Women's Day of Prayer. At 2pm on Friday, March 2nd, our parish will open its doors to welcome people (both men and women) from across the county. We need a good number of people to come forward to make it successful. The service will need to be prepared as soon as possible and we will need help on the day, before, during and after the service. We will also need to provide refreshments in the hall. If you can help in any way please contact Mary Padfield on 01437 763508 or email marypad@hotmail.co.uk

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY On Thursday 15th February Fr John Patrick will celebrate his 25th anniversary of ordination. I've had a great response to those who wished to travel in the minibus – so much so that a mini-bus wasn't big enough! As such, a coach has been booked for all those people who have given their names to reserve a place. The cost of the coach is £10 each. The coach will arrive to St David and St Patrick's at 1650hrs for a departure before 1700hrs. There will be an additional pick-up at the Penblewin rest area on the A40 north on Narberth at approximately 1715hrs. Please be on time, the fare will be collected on the coach. The coach will drive us to the Mass at Gorseinon Parish arriving at 1840hrs. After the Mass, there will be an hour to enjoy refreshments, to catch-up with Fr John Patrick and also to have a drink in the bar!

MICROPHONES Another gentler reminder to all: please note that several hours of work has gone into setting our sound system levels and in providing a new hearing-loop for those who use hearing aids. The microphone-to-mouth distance has also been set to both allow for the easy use of books on the ambo, and to pick up the correct voice volume. *Please do not adjust the microphone position.* It changes the dynamic of the system, may damage the cabling and it sounds awful. If you cannot be heard through the microphone, then you need to speak louder. Just because a microphone is available, it is not a reason to speak more quietly than normal.

EASTER LITURGIES For all those who are readers or ministers, please have a think as to your availability over the time of the Easter celebrations. In a week or so, a sign-up sheet will be produced so that the reading and ministering rota can be accurately produced, taking account of who may be away from the parish.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL Terri Atherton, Mercedes Davies, Hannah Fennell, Peter Fowler, Jeffrey Frank, Bryn Hancock, Anne Harding, Margaret Higgins, Janet Jenkin, Indra Singh, Ben Stabow, Teresa Thomas, Toby Williams, Kay Whelan.