St David and St Patrick's Catholic Parish



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Mass times for 23rd April - 29th April 2018

The 4th Week of Easter, Year B.

Mon 10:00am Mass at Haverfordwest - St George.

Tue 2:00pm Mass at St Luke's, Withybush Hosp.

Wed 7:00pm only, Mass at Narberth - St Mark.

Thur 10:00am Mass at Haverfordwest.

Fri No Mass.

Sat 6:00pm Mass at Haverfordwest **Sun** 10:00am Mass at Haverfordwest,

5:00pm Mass at Narberth.

Saint of the Week - St Mark the Evangelist is the author of the first historically written Gospel account in the Bible. He is mentioned in the scriptures as 'John Mark' and in later life became the founder of the Church in Alexandria - one of the most important early sees. He is often depicted as a winged lion in art and today his relics are venerated at Venice. It is thought he may have been the cousin of Barnabas and, in the gospel that bears his name, he features as the nameless man who ran away naked in the Garden of Gethsemane as Christ is arrested.

FUNERAL Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs Catherine Owens of Clarbeston Road; her funeral service will take place on Wednesday 25th April at 10:45am at Parc Gwyn Crematorium. Also, for Mrs Barbara Savigar of Hook who died recently - more information about her funeral arrangements will follow soon.

REGULAR LITURGICAL EVENTS To save space on this newsletter some regular events often go unadvertised, please know that they still take place. Confessions take place on Saturday evening from 5:15pm-5:45pm. On Monday morning from 10:30-11:30 there is a holy hour. And First Friday Mass takes place on the first Friday of each month at 10:00am.

World Day of Rayer for Vocations This weekend - known as "Good Shepherd Sunday" - is the international day of prayer for vocations. Throughout the world, congregations will be praying particularly for those who are discerning a vocation to the various forms of religious life, diaconate and priesthood. We will be praying for those who are preparing to lead these lifestyles, and for those who work in houses of formation and seminaries. There are three members of our parish for whom we should pray for in particular: Greg our Seminarian in Birmingham, Sister Jess living in a community in Scotland, and Carmen who has just moved to Rugby to begin a period of living in a religious house. May the three of them be blessed as they strive to follow the Good Shepherd in their lives. Please also treasure those who were courageous enough to dare to listen to the Lord's call and took time to ponder the challenge of religious life, even if ultimately it wasn't for them. In our parish congregation there are a least 5 people (that I know of) who have spent a number of years in religious houses or seminaries. There will be a second collection this weekend to support the work of vocations and the role that our seminaries take in the national life of the Church. Envelopes are available for gift aid donations. Please visit:

https://www.worlddayofprayerforvocations.com for the Pope's message on this day or www.ukpriest.org. An App has been launched by the Church in England and Wales called "God Calls" - go to your app store and add it to your phone/iPad etc.

"LET IT BE DONE UNTO ME" From Tuesday 1st May, a 5-week course will commence in the parish to look at the role of Mary in the life of the Church, in theology, in Liturgy and in popular devotion. The sessions will last about 1 hour from 7pm to 8pm and will be led by Fr Liam. Each session will begin with the watching of a short film, and workbooks will be provided to help support the course. May has often been known as the Marian month and this is a great way to mark out this time and to learn some thing new. The course has been devised by CaFE (Catholic Faith Expolration) and is open to 20 participants. If you would like to take part, please leave your details on the sign-up sheet in the porch.

CONFIRMATION CLASS - CHANGE OF DATES Please note the following changes: Owing to the First Holy Communion Mass on 12^{th} May, the Confirmation class will now take place on 19^{th} May. Owing to the inter-parish sports event, the trip to Caldey Island on the 9^{th} June is re-scheduled to the 16^{th} June.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL 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