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17/12/22: SAT HAVERFORDWEST	6:00PM	HOLY MASS: 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT INT: PAUL BAKER - RIP
18/12/22: SUN HAVERFORDWEST	10:00AM	HOLY MASS: 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT INT: PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH & THE SICK
18/12/22: SUN NARBERTH	12:00PM	HOLY MASS: 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT INT: MAISY HENRY - RIP
19/12/22: MON HAVERFORDWEST	9:30AM	HOLY MASS: WEEKDAY OF ADVENT INT: ALAN HUNT - RIP
20/12/22: TUE HAVERFORDWEST	9:30AM	HOLY MASS: WEEKDAY OF ADVENT INT: JOSEPH & WINEFRIDE SHIELD - RIP
21/12/22: WED HAVERFORDWEST	9:30AM	HOLY MASS: ST PETER CANISIUS, PRIEST INT: SR. ANNA – BIRTHDAY INTENTIONS
21/12/22: WED NARBERTH	4:30PM 5:30PM	ROSARY (4:30PM) & BENEDICTION (5:00PM) HOLY MASS: ST PETER CANISIUS, PRIEST INT: PAUL BAKER - RIP
22/12/22: THU		NO HOLY MASS TODAY
23/12/22: FRI HAVERFORDWEST	03:00PM 6:30PM	ADORATION OF THE BL. SACRAMENT TILL 6:30PM HOLY MASS: ST JOHN OF KANTY, PRIEST INT: JOHN & IRENE HOLDER - INTENTIONS
24/12/22: SAT HAVERFORDWEST		NO HOLY MASS THIS MORNING
24/12/22: SAT HAVERFORDWEST	5:00PM	HOLY MASS: NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (VIGIL) INT: REV. MICHAEL BURKE - RIP
24/12/22: SAT HAVERFORDWEST	11:30PM	HOLY MASS: NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST - MIDNIGHT MASS WITH CAROLS INT: PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH & BENEFACTORS
25/12/22: SUN HAVERFORDWEST	10:00AM	HOLY MASS: NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS INT: MIRIAM PAILY – RIP - BIRTHDAY
25/12/22: SUN NARBERTH	12:00PM	HOLY MASS: NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS INT: LAWRENCE, DAPHNE CROWTHER & FMLY INTS.

**CONFESSIONS/CYFFES****HAVERFORDWEST**

FRI: 6:00 – 6:20pm
SAT: 10:30 – 11:00am
SAT: 5:15 – 5:45pm
SUN: 9:20 – 9:50am

NARBERTH

WED: 4:50 – 5:20pm



**God Answers
Prayers**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**GWEDDI DROS Y****CLEIFION**

DON PHILLIPS
CLARE HUGHES
SEBASTIAN/XAVIER
JOSEPH
JACK HIGGINS
BRYN HANCOCK
JOE HAYES

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER: THAT VOLUNTEER NON-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS COMMITTED TO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT FIND PEOPLE DEDICATED TO THE COMMON GOOD AND CEASELESSLY SEEK OUT NEW PATHS

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER – DURING ADVENT & CHRISTMASTIDE: WE ARE CALLED UPON TO PRAY FOR: MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES, AND FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS.

REMEMBERING OUR DEAD & ANNIVERSARIES

Let us remember those souls who have no one to remember them in prayers!

Vesta E. Chapman - 2020, Beverley Anne Mitchell – 2020, Stephanie Mansfield – 2021, David John Evans – 2019, Margaret Bernadette Feehan - 2021... **MAY THEY REST IN PEACE! REQUIESCAT IN PACE!**

READINGS: SUNDAY – 18TH DECEMBER 2022 – 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**1st Reading:** Isaiah 7: 10-14**Psalms:** 23: 1-6**RESPONSE:** Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.**2nd Reading:** Romans 1: 1-7**Gospel:** Matthew 1: 18-24

ADVENT FRIDAYS: ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT... An opportunity to be with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is available on Fridays of Advent from 3–6.30 pm. At least 2 persons or more are needed at a given hour. (Not many joined on last Friday). Kindly sign up the form in the porches. Thanks.



"God is always greater than we imagine Him to be. His works are surprising compared to our calculations; His actions are different, always, they exceed our needs and expectations; and therefore, we must never stop seeking Him and converting to His true face... Brothers and sisters, we too at times find ourselves in his

situation, in an inner jail, unable to recognize the newness of the Lord, whom we perhaps hold captive in the presumption that we already know everything about Him. Dear brothers and sisters, one never knows everything about God, never! Perhaps we have in mind a powerful God who does what He wants, instead of the God of humble meekness, the God of mercy and love, who always intervenes respecting our freedom and our choices." Pope Francis



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: There will be a Retiring Collection on 17th & 18th weekend, towards Christmas Flowers. Kindly use the **Parish GAD envelopes** to Gift Aid your generous contributions.

SYNOD 2023 PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

SYNOD 2023: "The Working Document for the Continental Stage (DCS)" invites us to continue to respond to three questions (from chapter 4 of that Document), namely: **1. "After having read and prayed with the DCS, which intuitions resonate most strongly with the lived experiences and realities of the Church in your continent? Which experiences are new, or illuminating to you?"** **2. "After having read and prayed with the DCS, what substantial tensions or divergences emerge as particularly important in your continent's perspective? Consequently, what are the questions or issues that should be addressed and considered in the next steps of the process?"** **3. "Looking at what emerges from the previous two questions, what are the priorities, recurring themes and calls to action that can be shared with other local Churches around the world and discussed during the First Session of the Synodal Assembly in October 2023?"**

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: Christmas Collection at all Holy Masses is your Gift to your Clergy. Envelopes are available at the porch. I request you to Gift Aid your contributions. The Gift Aid amount claimed on that will go to the Parish Fund.

USED STAMPS: Did you receive a lot of cards this time? So, you must have a lot of stamps. Kindly save them for the Charity, **"GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND"**. Thank you...!

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE... The Remembrance Christmas Tree will be in place during Advent. The Over 50's Club will be selling tags to put on the tree to remember and to pray for your loved ones, both living and deceased. You will also receive a card to send your Remembrance greetings. Tags will be on sale in the church porches, from this weekend, for £1 per tag. The money raised will support the Parish Maintenance Fund. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER... to be drawn after Christmas Mid-Night Holy Mass. Proceeds in aid of Paul Sartori Charity. One pound a ticket. Donations for hamper can be placed in Christmas Box in the back porch of the Church. Thank you.

THE WARM BANK & SVP: Can you spare 3 hours per week on Thursday between 10.00am and 4.00pm? Thank you for your kind donations. (**Cheque** payable to **Haverfordwest Parish**). As well, those who are interested in cooking a pot of soup for the Warm Bank, please contact Gustavo on gvasfalcao@hotmail.com or 07989308316. Parishioners are very welcome to come along. It's an opportunity to socialise and enjoy a warm soup in convivial company. **On Thursday 29th December the Warm-Bank is open but with a special feature!! At 1.30 there will be a showing of the classic Christmas movie "It's a wonderful life". All welcome. We now also have a fully functioning free pool table!!! All ages welcome.**

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS... in lieu of cards, in aid of PATCH/Homeless in Pembrokeshire. Fill in cards and place in box with donation. The names will be printed in the newsletter.

LET'S CELEBRATE... After the midnight Holy Mass kindly join in the church hall for Sherry, Prosecco, mince pies, teas etc. Donations gratefully accepted.