

# Catholic Parish of St David & St Patrick, Haverfordwes

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Sunday 1st December 2024 – First Sunday of Advent			
Saturday Haverfordwest	30.12.24	6.00 pm	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Vigil Mass) Holy Mass - People of the Parish & the Sick
Sunday Haverfordwest	01.12.24	10.00 am	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Holy Mass – No Given Intention
Sunday Narberth	01.12.24	12.00 pm	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Rosary – 11.30 am Holy Mass – No Given Intention
Monday	02.11.24		NO HOLY MASS – Unification Celebrations at Cardiff
Tuesday Haverfordwest	03.11.24	6.30 pm	Holy Mass – No Given Intention Memorial: St. Francis Xavier, Priest
Wednesday Haverfordwest	04.11.24	9.30 am	Holy Mass – No Given Intention
Wednesday Narberth	04.11.24	3.30 pm 4.30 pm	Rosary, Adoration & Confession Holy Mass – No Given Intention
Thursday Haverfordwest	05.11.24		NO HOLY MASS – My Day Off
Friday Haverfordwest	06.11.24	9.30 am 10.00 am	Holy Mass – No Given Intention Adoration & Confession
Saturday Haverfordwest	07.11.24		NO HOLY MASS – Deanery lever Advent Recollection at National Shrine, Cardigan for the people
Saturday Haverfordwest	07.12.24	6.00 pm	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Holy Mass - People of the Parish & the Sick
Sunday Haverfordwest	08.12.24	10.00 am	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Holy Mass – No Given Intention
Sunday Narberth	08.12.24	12.00 pm	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Rosary – 11.30 am Holy Mass – No Given Intention

#### REMEMBERING OUR DEAD... IN DECEMBER

Amy Moore (1997), Thomas May (1999), Elizabeth O'Sullivan (2002), Patrick Mahoney (2002), John Concannon (2003), Anne Byrne (2006), Anne Johnson (2006), Daniel Sweeney (2006), May Sullivan (2007), William Rowe (2007), Ambrose Charles Roche (2008), Mary Catherin Absalom (2009), Mary McManus (2009), Lillian Gwendoline Skipp (2009), William Henry Fennell (2010), Mary Teresa Raymond (2011), Henry 'William' Phillips (2011), John Feehan (2012), Jean Marr Goodeve (2014), Teresa Jeffrey (2017), Veronica Joan Adams (2017), Maria Livia Wiseman (2018), Wilfred George Hart (2018), James Alexander Doyle (2018), Joseph Brian Bell (2018), Melveana Pearl Herde (2018), David John Evans (2019), Vesta Eileen Chapman (2020), Beverley Anne Mitchell (2020), Stephanie Ann Mansfield (2021), Margaret Bernadette Feehan (2021), John Robert James "Jackie" Higgins (2022), Josephine Margaret Stephens (2023)... MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

## **FLORAL TRIBUTES**

# You are welcome to book Floral Tributes

If you would like to offer Floral Tributes for occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, etc, please speak to Sharon – 07815462882 or a member of The Flower Group.

#### JOURNEY WITH THE POPE

"We must be awake, alert, vigilant. Jesus warns us: there is the danger of not realising His coming and being unprepared for His visit. I have recalled on other occasions what Saint Augustine said: 'I fear the Lord who passes by'... that is, I fear that He will pass by and I will not recognise Him!" **POPE FRANCIS** 

#### ADVENT WREATH BLESSING

The Liturgical Calendar Year begins this Sunday with the Season of Advent. Advent reminds us of the Advent Wreath. The different candles - purple, rose and white - indicate Hope, Love, Joy, Peace, and Christ. This weekend, we will bless the Advent Wreath and light the first purple candle – Hope!

## **VOLUNTEERS FOR CHURCH CLEANING**

We need more volunteers for regular church cleaning. Please contact Fr Ramesh or Gwen Atkinson If you are interested in volunteering. Additionally, a deep clean will be held at 10:30 am on Thursday, December 19th, as we prepare for Christmas. Your help would be appreciated!

## CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE

Tree tags and cards will be on sale on the porches throughout Advent for just £1 each. Proceeds from the sale of these tags will support church-based charities. Write the name of your chosen person on the tag and hang it on the tree. If the person is deceased, you can send the card to their family.

# **UNIFICATION CELEBRATIONS**

Archbishop Most Rev. Mark O'Toole will receive a new Papal Bull for the united Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia. A celebratory event will be held at 12.00 pm on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, in the Metropolitan Cathedral of St. David, Cardiff. Two of our parishioners will represent the parish at the celebration. Please mark the date and keep this intention in your prayers.

## MARY IMMACULATE SCHOOL

The children have started coming to the church for Holy Mass on Wednesdays. On Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December, Fr Ramesh will be visiting the school to bless the Advent wreaths for each class. On Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> December the school will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception; Holy Mass will be held at the school. All parishioners are welcome to attend. On Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30 am the school will have their Advent Mass.

# BLESSING OF THE NEW LECTIONARIES AND THE PEOPLE'S MISSALS

The new Lectionaries were blessed last week at Haverfordwest during the Sunday Mass. The blessing was accompanied by a procession featuring Altar Servers carrying the Cross and candles. I would like to express my appreciation to the Lectionary Bearers and the Altar Servers. This Sunday, the new lectionaries at Narberth Church will also be blessed during Mass.

# **ADVENT PREPARATION RETREATS**

Join us for a day retreat at Cardigan on Saturday, December 7th, at 10:30 am, featuring a talk, Adoration, confessions, and Holy Mass. Lunch will be provided.

We will also have a half-day retreat for parishioners in Haverfordwest on Saturday, December 21st, starting with Holy Mass at 10.00 am. Readers who would like to be commissioned for next year must attend this retreat. Please bring a packed lunch.

A special Advent Retreat for young people aged 12–19 will be held on Saturday, December 14th, 2024, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm at St. David's Catholic College, Cardiff. The cost of the retreat is £10, including lunch and transport (payable by cash or card on the day).

# PRESBYTERY CLEANING

The Presbytery cleaning was done on Wednesday by some members of the flower group. I thank them and appreciate greatly their generous service in tidying the presbytery.

# **CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP**

Join us for a festive workshop to create a Christmas door sheaf. The sessions will be on Friday, December 6th, from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm, and Saturday, December 7th, from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm. Sign-up lists are available on both porches.

# ADVENT PRAYER BOOKS

The Advent 'Walk with Me' prayer books are available at the repository. Each book costs £1.