

Catholic Parish of St David & St Patrick, Haverfordwest



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Sunday 22nd February 2026 – First Sunday of Lent

Saturday Haverfordwest	21.02.26 5.15-5.45pm 6.00pm	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Confession Vigil Mass – Imelda Stewartson (RIP)
Sunday Haverfordwest	22.02.26 9.00-9.45am 10.00am 12.00pm	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Confession Holy Mass – Christine Wren (RIP) Holy Mass – People of the Parish & the Sick
Narberth		
Monday	23.02.26	NO HOLY MASS - MY DAY OFF
Tuesday	24.02.26	7.00pm Station Mass with Most Rev Mark O'Toole
Wednesday Haverfordwest	25.02.26	9.30am Holy Mass – Terry Doyle (RIP)
Narberth		
Thursday Haverfordwest	26.02.26	4.00pm 9.30am Stations of the Cross & Holy Mass Holy Mass – Tom Farrer for a speedy recovery
Friday Haverfordwest	27.02.26	9.30am 10.00am Stations of the Cross Holy Mass – Rosemary Paget (RIP)
Saturday Haverfordwest	28.02.26	10.00am 10.30am-11.00am Holy Mass – Wayne Gregory (RIP) B'day Adoration & Confession SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT Confession Vigil Mass – Personal Intention
Sunday Haverfordwest	01.03.26	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT Confession Holy Mass – Felicity D'Souza (RIP) Holy Mass – People of the Parish & the Sick
Narberth		

REMEMBERING OUR DEAD... IN FEBRUARY

Pietro Malvisi (2012), James Anthony Doyle (2013), Anthony Boswell (2013), Margarita John (2015), Victor Field (2015) Azalia Mapp (2016), Thomas Stuart Reynolds (2016), Veronica Alberta Purnell (2017), Michael Kennedy (2017), Carmel Elizabeth Lewis (2017), Angela Rabaiotti (2017), Angelina Donadini (2017), Barry Charles James Chambers (2017), Marie Margaret Caulfield (2018), John Anthony Hickey (2018), Ann Pauline Harding (2019), Katherine Boswell (2020), Bernadette Anne Pearce (2020), Trevor Anthony Evans (2020), Rose Graham (2021), John Strange (2021), June Lilian McCarney (2021), Ronald Arthur Berridge (2021), Seamus (James) Loughlin (2023), Victoria Louise Reynolds (2023), Imelda Stewartson (2024), Donald George Phillips (2025)...MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

JOURNEY WITH THE POPE "Faith, dear friends, is a treasure to be shared. Every time brings with it difficulties, hardships and challenges, but also opportunities to grow in trust and in surrender to God." **Pope Leo XIV**

WALK WITH ME LENTEN BOOKS

The Lenten 'Walk With Me' booklets are available in the repository for free, or you can make a donation of £1.50.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Friday 27th February is the CAFOD Family Fast Day. Envelopes are available in all porches. If you are a UK taxpayer, kindly remember to gift aid your donation and return to the address on the back of the envelope.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent, we will have Stations of the Cross in Haverfordwest on a Friday at 9.30am, followed by Holy Mass. In Narberth, Stations of the Cross will be at 4.00pm, followed by Holy Mass.

ST. DAVID'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

To commemorate St. David's Day on Sunday, 1st March, we will have a celebration in the parish hall after the 10.00am Holy Mass. Please bring Welsh cakes, bara brith etc.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

We will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day on Sunday 15th March by having an Irish brunch after the 10.00am Mass. More details to follow in the coming weeks.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP)

SVP is hosting a retreat at St. Non's from March 3rd to 5th, led by Dominic Belli. The cost is £200 per person, including full board. For details or to register, contact Gustavo at gustavovasfalcao@gmail.com or 07989308316.

EMMAUS DISCOVER – SOUND OF SILENCE

Event on 14th March 2026 at Belmont Abbey, Hereford, from 11am to 6.30pm for children aged 8 to 13. Register by 8th March for transport with selected pick-up points. Cost: £15 per person, including lunch. Register via QR code in porches or link on social media.

AN INVITATION TO WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

You are invited to St David's Church in Wales, Prendergast on Friday, March 6th at 2.30pm. The Christian women of Nigeria have prepared the service of prayer. All are invited.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND THE DEAD

Please keep in your prayers for all those who are ill in the hospital or at home, especially **Diana Couceiro**. Also, pray for the dead, especially **Dennis Hough (Crematorium service at 2.30pm, Friday 6th March)**, **Terry Doyle (Requiem Mass & burial (City Road) at 10.00am, Saturday 7th March)**, and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Collect

Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. R. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First reading

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground the Lord God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God actually say, "You shall not eat of any tree in the garden"?' And the woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. **The Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 51(50):3-4. 5-6b. 12-13. 14, 17. R cf. 3a

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your merciful love;
according to your great compassion,
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me completely from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

My transgressions, truly I know them;
my sin is always before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned;
what is evil in your sight I have done. **R.**

Create a pure heart for me, O God;
renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence;
take not your holy spirit from me. **R.**

Restore in me the joy of your salvation;
sustain in me a willing spirit.
O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise. **R.**

Second reading

Romans 5:12-19

Brothers and Sisters: Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned — for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man; much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of

righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4b

Glory and praise to you, O Christ. One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. **Glory and praise to you, O Christ.**

Gospel

Matthew 4:1-11

At that time: Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry.

And the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."'

Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the Temple and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."' Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "You shall not put the Lord your God to the test."'

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Then Jesus said to him, 'Be gone, Satan! For it is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve."' Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Offerings

Give us the right dispositions, O Lord, we pray, to make these offerings, for with them we celebrate the beginning of this venerable and sacred time. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

Prayer after Communion

Renewed now with heavenly bread, by which faith is nourished, hope increased, and charity strengthened, we pray, O Lord, that we may learn to hunger for Christ, the true and living Bread, and strive to live by every word which proceeds from your mouth. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

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