

Catholic Parish of St David & St Patrick, Haverfordwest



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Sunday 2nd August 2026 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Saturday Haverfordwest	01.08.26	5.15-5.45pm 6.00pm	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Confession Vigil Mass – Mike & Chris Evans – 65th Wedding Anniversary, 91st B'day of Mike & blessing on all the family members
Sunday Haverfordwest Narberth	02.08.26	9.00-9.45am 10.00am 12.00pm	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Confession Holy Mass – Ann Freeman (RIP) Holy Mass – People of the Parish, the Sick and the Visitors
Monday	03.08.26	--	NO HOLY MASS – MY DAY OFF
Tuesday Haverfordwest	04.08.26	6.00pm	ST JOHN MARY VIANNEY, Priest – Memorial Holy Mass – Bryn Hancock & Ann Hancock – 57th Wedding Ann.
Wednesday Haverfordwest Narberth	05.08.26	9.30am 6.00pm 6.30pm	Holy Mass – No Given Intention Adoration & Confession Holy Mass – Personal Intention
Thursday Haverfordwest	06.08.26	9.30am	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD – Feast Holy Mass – No Given Intention
Friday Haverfordwest	07.08.26	9.00am-10.00am 10.00am	Adoration and Confession Holy Mass – No Given Intention
Saturday Haverfordwest	08.08.26	10.00am 10.30am-11.00am 5.15-5.45pm 6.00pm	ST DOMINIC, Priest – Memorial Holy Mass – Personal Intention Adoration and Confession NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Confession Vigil Mass – Lenney Sunitha Pinto (RIP)
Sunday Haverfordwest Narberth	09.08.26	9.00-9.45am 10.00am 12.00pm	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Confession Holy Mass – People of the Parish, the Sick and the Visitors Holy Mass – Roseline McCabe (RIP)

REMEMBERING OUR DEAD... IN AUGUST

Una Sweeney (2014), Claude Guien (2014), Robert John Davies (2014), Eileen Oxlade (2014), Eileen Maud Calrice Robinson (2014), Antonio Scimone (2015), Mary Ann Frank (2015), Thomas Michael Ryan (2016), Agnes Mary Kaspers (2016), Gabriella Evans (2017), James McLean (2018), Ivor Alun Lloyd (2019), Kathleen Mary During (2019), Pamela Horsley Basten (2019), Elizabeth Bridget Hawkrigde (2019), Ann Freeman (2021), Anne Marie McConaghy (2021), Mercedes Del-Monte Davies (2021), Charles Houghton (2021), William Dennis Frank (2023), Sharon Christina W'-Jones (2023) Karen Theresa Puffett (2023), Ira Davies, **MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

FLORAL TRIBUTES

John Quilty - 30th Aug (DEATH ANNIVERSARY)
Mike and Karen Puffett - 11th Oct (DEATH ANNIVERSARY)
Flower Festival - 1st Nov (ALL SAINTS)

You are welcome to book Floral Tributes

We 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

"God dwells in our hearts. A vocation entails an intimate dialogue with the One who calls and invites us to respond, despite the deafening noise of the world, with true joy and generosity." **Pope Leo XIV**

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Bake Sale: thanks to everyone who supported this month's parish bake sale on Sunday, July 26th. Together we **raised £126** for the fundraising. Great effort by all. Diolch/Thank you. The next bake sale will be **on Sunday, 30th August, after 10.00am Mass**. Those who would like to buy cakes, please approach Christine and Anne Puffett.

Pick a Square: Buy a square for £1 for a chance to win £5. This is your last chance to buy a square, as sales end this weekend. The draw will happen on Sunday in the hall after Mass. You can buy squares in the New Porch.

Flower Festival: The Flower group is organising a themed Flower Festival for the weekend of **All Saints - 31st Oct - 1st Nov '26**. We invite parishioners to celebrate Saints David, Patrick, and other Celtic Saints, and to share their chosen Saints from Confirmation. A proforma will be available soon.

We hope Mary Immaculate School and other Churches will join in making this a community celebration. We welcome help with planning, advertising, floral displays, cleaning, refreshments, and more during the festival weekend. Sponsorships and tributes on the displays will also be offered. This is a fundraising event for our Church, so please reach out to any of the Flower Ladies if you can assist.

ALTAR SERVERS' DAY OUT

This year, the altar servers' day out is to **St. Ishmael's from 10am to 4pm**. Please wear sensible shoes or boots for a long walk and bring towels, swimming costumes, and sun protection. We will celebrate Holy Mass at the beach, followed by a barbecue sponsored by Ann Harris. If you have dietary requirements, kindly inform her. Everyone is welcome to join, with or without a car. To assist with planning, please let Fr Ramesh know by next weekend if you would like to attend.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Our parish is blessed with a vibrant and engaging youth community. To deepen their connections and strengthen their faith, I would like to establish a youth group. This initiative will create a supportive environment where young members can unite in their spiritual journey. Please sign up on the lists placed on either side of the church porch.

ANNUAL HOLIDAYS FOR FR RAMESH

Fr Ramesh will be on annual leave from Monday, 7th September to Thursday, 8th October 2026. Canon Michael Smith, a retired priest from Llandeilo, will cover weekend Masses. For pastoral or hospital emergencies, please get in touch with Canon Pius Augustine from Cardigan on 01239 612615 or Fr. Paul Osunyikanmi from Milford Haven on 01646 693371. For other inquiries, phone Ann Soper on 07581400399.

TEAS AND COFFEES

After Holy Mass each Sunday, the parish hall will be open for tea and coffee. Everyone is warmly invited to join and enjoy community time together.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND THE DEAD

Please keep in your prayers all those who are ill at home or in hospital, especially **Daniel and Robert Presten**. Also, pray for the deceased, especially **Mrs. Jean Jaques (Funeral service at Immaculate Conception, Narberth on Tuesday, 18th August at 11.15am)**, and for those with anniversaries around this time.



'Living and Learning in the Light of Christ'

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Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

Collect

Draw near to your servants, O Lord,
and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness,
that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide,
you may restore what you have created
and keep safe what you have restored.
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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:

‘Come and eat.’

Isaiah 55:1-3

Thus says the Lord:
‘Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.’

The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145(144):8-9. 15-16. 17-18. R cf. 16

R. You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.

R. You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord.

The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand and satisfy
the desire of every living thing.

R. You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord.

The Lord is just in all his ways,
and holy in all his deeds.
The Lord is close to all who call him,
who call on him in truth.

R. You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord.

Second Reading:

‘Nothing in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ.’

Brothers and Sisters: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4b

Alleluia, alleluia. One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

‘They all ate and were satisfied.’

At that time: When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, ‘This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.’ But Jesus said, ‘They need not go away; you give them something to eat.’ They said to him, ‘We have only five loaves here and two fish.’ And he said, ‘Bring them here to me.’ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Prayer over the Offerings

Graciously sanctify these gifts, O Lord, we pray,
and, accepting the oblation of this spiritual sacrifice,
make of us an eternal offering to you.
Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

Wis 16: 20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

Or:

Jn 6: 35

I am the bread of life, says the Lord;
whoever comes to me will not hunger
and whoever believes in me will not thirst.

Prayer after Communion

Accompany with constant protection, O Lord,
those you renew with these heavenly gifts
and, in your never-failing care for them,
make them worthy of eternal redemption.
Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.