



Reg. Charity No: 234168

Diocese of Menevia

Parish Priest: Fr Paul Joseph

Catholic Parish of St David and St Patrick, Haverfordwest

St David and St Patrick Church
9 Fountain Row, Barn Street
Haverfordwest, SA61 1SX

Immaculate Conception, Narberth
Church Street,
Narberth, SA67 7BH

Website: www.stdavidandstpatrick.org Facebook: StDavidandStPatrickCatholicChurch

Tel: 01437 762284

Email: haverfordwest@menevia.org



SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER – 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

TIMES OF HOLY MASSES & OTHER SERVICES		
02/12/23: SAT HAVERFORDWEST	6:00PM	HOLY MASS: 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>INT: THE DECEASED OF EVANS & MILES FAMILIES (DDM)</i>
03/12/23: SUN HAVERFORDWEST	10:00AM	HOLY MASS: 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>INT: MIKE PUFFETT – RIP (CC)</i>
03/12/23: SUN NARBERTH	12:00PM	HOLY MASS: 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>INT: PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH & MOTHERS</i>
04/12/23: MON HAVERFORDWEST	9:30AM	HOLY MASS: ST JOHN DAMASCENE, PRIEST <i>INT: BRYN HANCOCK – RIP</i>
05/12/23: TUE HAVERFORDWEST	9:30AM	HOLY MASS: WEEKDAY OF ADVENT <i>INT: JANE MAIN – INTENTIONS (PH)</i>
06/12/23: WED HAVERFORDWEST	9:30AM	HOLY MASS: ST NICHOLAS, BISHOP <i>INT: BRYN HANCOCK - RIP (AH)</i>
06/12/23: WED NARBERTH	4:30PM 5:30PM	ROSARY (4:30PM) & BENEDICTION (5:00PM) HOLY MASS: ST NICHOLAS, BISHOP <i>INT: HOLY SOULS</i>
07/12/23: THU	NO HOLY MASS TODAY	
08/12/23: FRI HAVERFORDWEST	9.30AM IN SCHOOL	HOLY MASS: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (SCHOOL FEAST) <i>INT: REVV. OWEN & MICHAEL McGREAL – RIP</i>
09/12/23: SAT HAVERFORDWEST	10:00AM 10:30AM	HOLY MASS: ST JUAN DIEGO CUAUHTLATOATZIN <i>INT: KAREN & MIKE PUFFETT – RIP (AH)</i> ADORATION & CONFESSIONS
09/12/23: SAT HAVERFORDWEST	6:00PM	HOLY MASS: 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>INT: VESTA EILEEN CHAPMAN – RIP - ANNIVERSARY</i>
10/12/23: SUN HAVERFORDWEST	10:00AM	HOLY MASS: 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>INT: BRYN HANCOCK – RIP (CE)</i>
10/12/23: SUN NARBERTH	12:00PM	HOLY MASS: 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>INT: PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH & MOTHERS</i>



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
GWEDDI DROS Y CLEIFION
POPE FRANCIS
BARBARA B.
TRAVERT MARIE
CLARE HUGHES



CONFESSIONS CYFFES
HAVERFORDWEST
FRI: 5:00 – 6:00pm
SAT: 10:30 – 11:00am
SAT: 5:15 – 5:45pm
SUN: 9:15 – 9:45am
NARBERTH
WED: 5:00 – 5:20pm

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER – DURING ADVENT & CHRISTMASTIDE...

WE ARE CALLED UPON TO PRAY FOR: MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES. AND FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS.

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER...

THAT PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITIES MAY BE AT THE CENTRE OF ATTENTION IN SOCIETY, AND THAT INSTITUTIONS MAY OFFER INCLUSIVE PROGRAMS WHICH VALUE THEIR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION.

REMEMBERING OUR DEAD & ANNIVERSARIES IN DECEMBER: Let us remember those souls who have no one to remember them in prayers! 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)...

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE...!

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE: Tree tags and cards will be on sale in the porches. They are still only £1 each. 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. You can send the card to that person or to their family if the person is deceased.

READINGS: SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER – 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B)
1st Reading: Isaiah 63: 16-17 – 64: 1, 3-8 **Psalms:** 79: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19
RESPONSE: God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 **Gospel:** Mark 13: 33-37



"The Bible shows us that when God calls a person and makes a pact with some of them, the criterion is always this: elect someone to reach others, this is the criterion of God, of God's calling... All the Lord's friends have experienced the beauty, but also the responsibility and the burden of being "chosen" by him. And everyone has felt discouragement in the face of their own weaknesses or the loss of their certainties." Pope Francis



CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP FOR WREATH & TABLE ARRANGEMENTS: After a very successful workshop last year, the Flower Group is ready for their next venture. On Friday, Dec. 8th, 7pm -9pm, there will be a workshop on Christmas Table Arrangements. On Saturday, Dec. 9th, 11am – 1pm, there will be a session for Christmas Door Wreaths. It is priced £20 per session or £35 for both. Places are limited. So book early. Refreshments including Mulled Wine & mince pies will be served. Also, kindly note that the **Cemetery Posies will be on sale from Dec. 9th, for £7.** Kindly place your orders with the Flower Group. Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm.

PLANNED GIVING & GIFT-AID SCHEME: Thank you all, for choosing the Planned Giving Scheme for Sunday collection. Those who are new to it, it is a scheme, to sign up for a regular giving to church, either by weekly envelopes or standing order. As a tax-payer, if you Gift-Aid your donation, for every pound you contribute an additional 25 pence can be claimed from HMRC. Therefore, if you haven't done it already and those who are new to the parish, please consider signing up for this. For further info & a form, do talk to Fr. Paul or Sharon Farren.

FRIENDS OF MARY IMMACULATE SCHOOL: The School Bingo will take place in the school hall on Friday, December 8th. Doors open at 6pm & eyes down at 6.30pm. All are welcome. Please support our school. Donation for the school raffle would be greatly appreciated.

ADVENT DEANERY RECOLLECTION: A Day of Recollection is organised in Cardigan Shrine, on Saturday, Dec. 9th from 10am to 2.30pm. Kindly avail this opportunity for reflection, confession and adoration.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & CATECHISTS: We will begin our preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the new year. The celebration will be in June, 2024. A reshuffle of Catechists will take place, to also absorb new volunteers for this great service. Parents of the children from non-Catholic Schools, who would like to prepare for First Holy Communion, kindly talk to Fr. Paul after one of the Holy Masses.

ADVENT YOUTH DAY RECOLLECTION: The Youth Council of Menevia & Cardiff is organising an Advent Day of Recollection for Youth on Saturday 16th December at the Stella Maris Convent, Swansea. Fr Matt Roche-Saunders will lead the retreat, and Archbishop Mark will celebrate Mass on the day.

PARISH RENEWAL PRAYER GROUPS: 1 THES. 5:5-8: Thank you to the two groups already functioning with prayers and time together. Think of more please. This is an invitation for each of you and all of you, to consider forming a Prayer Group or being part of one. You may choose the time to meet at your convenience, in the home of any of the group members. If you think of spending time with the Blessed Sacrament, I will be privileged to bring Jesus to your gathering/s. I am convinced that you will give it a serious thought. God bless your initiative...!

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: STEPS TOWARDS RENEWAL: The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales gathered in Leeds for their Autumn Plenary meeting from 13-16 November 2023. **A plenary resolution was taken on the Synod on Synodality which is focusing on 'Steps towards renewal.'** Quoting Pope Francis, it says, "At the heart of the synodal process of renewal stands the person of Jesus Christ and his Gospel of Salvation. The Lord 'pitched his tent among us.' (see Jn 1:14) He is constantly in our midst, guiding, teaching, consoling, and nourishing us in every circumstance. The renewal we seek has Christ as our unchanging key point of departure and reference... It is important to look at the "principle and foundation" from which everything begins ever anew: by loving... loving God with our whole life and loving our neighbour as ourselves.... **The prayer of adoration keeps us centred on Christ, freeing us from other preoccupations which serve only to limit and imprison us. Christ himself calls us to find our home in him and promises to make his home in us.**" Therefore, we will hold Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, every Friday from 5pm to 6.15pm. Remember to join and pray for Vocations to priesthood and religious life. Pope Francis linked our adoring love for God with our servant-love for others, all in the context of synodal renewal: **"In the great commandment, Christ binds God and neighbour together so that they will never be disconnected. There can be no true religious experience that is deaf to the cry of the world. There is no love of God without care and concern for our neighbour; otherwise, we risk becoming pharisaic. We may have plenty of good ideas on how to reform the Church but let us remember: to adore God and to love our brothers and sisters with his love, that is the great and perennial reform."** The above-mentioned Prayer Group is a definite step towards the renewal emphasised by the Synod. Thanks to the leaders for your initiative and commitment. Continue to absorb more members into your groups.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING POLICY: SAFETY & SAFEGUARDING of all who visit our church, both parishioners & visitors, are important to us. If you have concerns about any safeguarding issues, kindly contact the Parish Safeguarding Representative, Mrs. Anne Barnes on 01437765365. More information about our Safeguarding Policy is found here: <http://www.menevia.org/safeguarding/>

FLOWER TRIBUTES: (after Advent)

For Floral Tributes for occasions like Birthday, Anniversary, Thanksgiving, Remembrance etc., kindly speak to Sharon (07815462882) or one of the flower group members.



THANK YOU ONE & ALL: The **PARISH BANNER SHOW & HARVEST FLOWER FESTIVAL** was an opportunity for the Parish to come together as a community and take part in a major fundraiser, for **PARISH MAINTENANCE FUND**. The total raised is £ 2308.26. Thank you for your generosity. If you'd like to donate, (Cheque payable to: Haverfordwest Parish) and as always, **KINDLY GIFT-AID YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS.** Thank you...!