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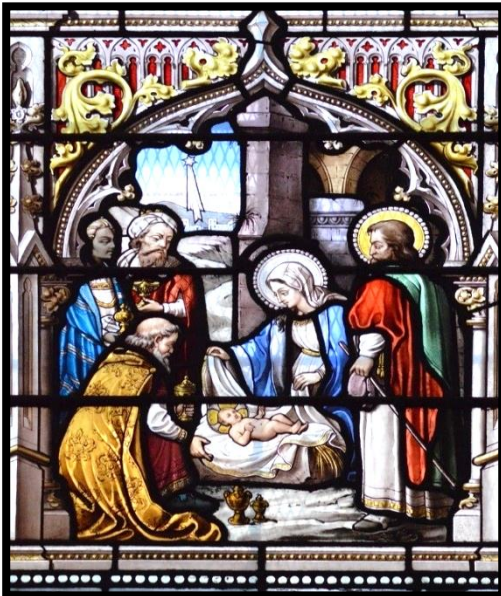


SUNDAY 7TH JANUARY – THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

TIMES OF HOLY MASSES & OTHER SERVICES

06/01/24: SAT HAVERFORDWEST	6:00PM	HOLY MASS: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD <i>INT: EDWARD & ELIZABETH MURPHY – RIP (BM)</i>
07/01/24: SUN HAVERFORDWEST	10:00AM	HOLY MASS: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD <i>INT: TIM & LAURA McARTHUR- RIP (BM)</i>
07/01/24: SUN NARBERTH	12:00PM	HOLY MASS: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD <i>INT: PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH & VISITORS</i>
NO WEEKDAY MASS		
13/01/24: SAT HAVERFORDWEST	6:00PM	HOLY MASS: 2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME REV. ROBERT DAVIES
14/01/24: SUN HAVERFORDWEST	10:00AM	HOLY MASS: 2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME <i>INT: ROSALEEN ANNE DONOVAN - RIP - ANNIVERSARY</i>
14/01/24: SUN NARBERTH	12:00PM	HOLY MASS: 2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME REV. ROBERT DAVIES

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
GWEDDI DROS Y CLEIFION:
POPE FRANCIS, MARGARET HIGGINS, CLARE HUGHES, THE ELDERLY & RETIRED CLERGY, ALL THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM OUR REMEMBERING THEM IN OUR PRAYERS.



HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR JANUARY

LET US PRAY THAT THE SPIRIT HELP US RECOGNISE THE GIFT OF DIFFERENT CHARISMS WITHIN THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY, AND TO DISCOVER THE RICHNESS OF DIFFERENT RITUAL TRADITIONS IN THE HEART OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

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

HOLIDAYS: FR. PAUL:

I will be taking a break to visit my Mother and family from January 9th to Feb. 1st, 2024. In my absence, **Rev. Fr. Robert Davies will celebrate the weekend Holy Masses for us.**

For Pastoral Care Emergencies, **Rev. Canon Pius Augustine (01239 612615) & Rev. Fr. Mansel Usher (01834 842692)** are available.

You may also contact **Ann Soper (07581400399)** for any other information. Thanks.

REMEMBERING OUR DEAD & ANNIVERSARIES IN JANUARY: Let us remember those souls who have no one to remember them in prayers! Doreen Lucy Frances McNamara (2019), Julie Veronica Flood (2019), Cecil John Williams (2019), Maria Jones (2020), John D. Sutton (2021), Michele Puglia (2021), John Frederick Hammond (2021), Jean Hermann (2002), Archie McPhee (2000), Terence Thomas (2001), Stephen Hughes (2002), Sarah Williams (2004), Sian Evans (2005), Patricia Frost (2005), James Woods (2006), Winifred John (2006), Mary Theresa Williams (2007), Jennifer O'Brien (2008), Josephine Davies (2008), Jean Maher (2008), Fernande Eileen Chippriott (2009), Cyril Derek Warren (2009), Robert Swift (2010), Elena Morgan (2011), Dorothea Christina Davies (2011), Suzanne Mary Leaman Sprowell (2011), Raymond Chadwick Jones (2012), Frederick Gover (2012), Kenneth William John Morgan (2012), Michael Ryan (2013), Mary Jane Flood (2013), Bronislaw Serafinowicz (2015), Shane Patrick Hennedy (2015), Joan Tiglao (2018), Gabriele Anna Bosenius (2018), Mary Agnes Elizabeth Phillips (2018), Doreen Lucy Frances McNamara (2019), Julie Veronica Flood (2019), Cecil John Williams (2019), Maria Jones (2020), John D. Sutton (2021), Michele Puglia (2021), John Frederick Hammond (2021), Elizabeth Brewster (2022), Jean Patricia White (2022), Francis (Frank) John Golden (2022), Heidy Ferrer Llewellyn (2022), Jack (John) Higgins (2023), Elizabeth Williams (2023), Rosaleen Anne Donovan (2023), Simon Llewellyn (2023)... **MAY THEY REST IN PEACE...!**

CHRISTMAS CRIB OFFERING 2023 COLLECTION: We will hold a Retiring CRIB Collection on 6th & 7th January towards two causes: one "at home" and one "abroad", namely, the work of Caritas Cardiff and Menevia, & in aid for Christians in the Holy Land, through the work of Friends of the Holy Land and the Knights and Dames of the Holy Sepulchre. This latter fund, of course, is particularly pertinent at the moment, given the situation in Israel and Gaza. Kindly remember to Gift-Aid your generous donations. God bless.

“I said to the man... who stood at the gate of the year...
'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown'
And he replied: 'Go out into the darkness
and put your hand into the hand of God...



That shall be to you,

Better than light and safer than a known way...!”

WISHING YOU A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024...!

Thanking YOU all for your kind support... & for all YOU do...!

MAY GOD BLESS YOU & GUIDE YOU WITH PEACE & JOY...!

BISHOP MARK O'TOOLE'S PASTORAL LETTER & FEEDBACK: I am certain that all of you either read or listened, and reflected on the Pastoral Letter from our Bishop Mark O'Toole. The feedback for the same is very important. After the busy time of welcoming Jesus into our hearts and homes, we will have more time to further reflect on the same. In the early 2024, we will have opportunities to share our thoughts and discuss them with Bishop Mark. First of all, there will be a meeting with Bishop Mark and two representatives each from each parish both of Menevia and Cardiff. For Menevia it will be on 3rd Feb (Sat) at 10:00am, St Mary's, Carmarthen. The clergy will have the similar meeting at the extra-ordinary Deanery meetings, called by Bishop Mark. Then there will be various meetings with a few parishes together in different parts of both dioceses. We are privileged to host one of those for our area. **The Open Listening Meeting & Station Mass will be here on February 20th at 5pm., followed by Lenten Station Mass.** So, kindly note the date in advance to avoid having to give an apology.

THANK YOU: CHRISTMAS 2023... During a beautiful celebration like Christmas, the celebration is incomplete without a BIG THANK YOU...! I would like to remember those committed people who work tirelessly behind the scene. I would like to render my thanks to the Ministers of the Word, the Altar Servers, the organists and musicians... the mighty cleaning group... the Church Flower Group, the finance department of counters and book keeper... And last but not the least, YOU parishioners...! Without your help, support and contribution, to me personally and for your parish, nothing of this could happen. May God's blessings be on you, in your family too. Thank you so much...! A PERSONAL THANK YOU for all your cards, prayers, blessings and gifts... You are very generous...!

CHRISTMAS GIFTS -DONATIONS TO MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY: If you have any items from your Christmas presents that you think that you may not use and would like to donate to the needy, kindly bring them over to the church and place it in the box provided. We can thus contribute to the work of the Missionaries of Charity Sisters of St. Teresa of Kolkatta in Swansea, for the benefit of those in their care. Thank you for your generosity towards the needy.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & CATECHISTS: We will begin our preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the new year. The celebration will be in June, 2024. 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.

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...!

SVP... HAMPER RAFFLE DRAWN ON DEC 17TH 2023: The SVP would like to express their appreciation and thanks to all our Parishioners in both Haverfordwest and Narbeth for the donations and tickets bought for the Hamper Raffle IN AID OF MOTHER AND BABY FEEDING UNIT IN SOUTH SUDAN. With your support, the Sum of £235 was raised to this much needed cause. DIOLCH I CHI EICH CEFNOGAETH. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

THE WORLD DAY OF PEACE: 14. 01. 2024: Pope Francis has chosen 'Artificial Intelligence and Peace'. Whilst this might seem a strangely technical theme, we do need to think about the consequences of the advances in AI for peace and justice. or many of us, the first question is: 'what exactly is 'Artificial Intelligence?'' It is a concept that has entered our everyday language and yet we are not quite sure what it encompasses. Inevitably, there are a number of definitions but one is helpful: "AI is an umbrella term for a range of technologies and approaches that often attempt to mimic human thought to solve complex tasks. Things that humans have traditionally done by thinking and reasoning are increasingly being done by/with the help of, AI." (The UK Information Commissioner)

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/>

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READINGS: SUNDAY 7TH JANUARY – THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm: 71: 1-2, 7-8, 10-13

RESPONSE: All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12