

The Haverfordwest Local Ministry Area
Christ the King: Sunday 20th November

COLLECT

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING (Jeremiah 23:1-6)

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM (Psalm 46)

God is our / refuge and / strength :
a very / present / help in / trouble;

Therefore we will not fear, though the / earth be / moved :
and though the mountains tremble / in the / heart of the / sea;

Though the waters / rage and / swell :
and though the mountains / quake • at the / towering / seas.

There is a river whose streams make glad the / city of / God :
the holy place of the / dwelling • of the / Most / High.

God is in the midst of her;
therefore shall she / not be re/moved :
God shall / help her • at the / break of / day.

The nations are in uproar and the / kingdoms are / shaken :
but God utters his voice and the / earth shall / melt a/way.

The Lord of / hosts is / with us :
the God of / Jacob / is our / stronghold.

Come and behold the / works of the / Lord :
what destruction he has / wrought up/on the / earth.

He makes wars to cease in / all the / world :
he shatters the bow and snaps the spear
and burns the / chariots / in the / fire.

‘Be still, and know that / I am / God :
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be ex/alted / in the / earth.’

The Lord of / hosts is / with us :
the God of / Jacob / is our / stronghold.

SECOND READING (Colossians 1:11-20)

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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GOSPEL (Luke 23:33-43)

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.'] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Notices

Sunday 20th November

8:00am Low Mass at St Martins, Haverfordwest

9:30am Parish Mass at St Martin's, Haverfordwest

10:15am Holy Eucharist at St Ishmael's, Camrose

11:15am Holy Eucharist at St Mary's, Haverfordwest

3:00pm Family Service at St Mark's School, Merlins Bridge

Wednesday 23rd November

10:00am Mass at St Martin's, followed by coffee

4:00pm Junior Singers at St Mary's

Friday 25th November

11:00am Holy Eucharist at St Mary's, followed by tea and toast.

Saturday 26th November

2:00pm Messy Advent at St Davids Cathedral

Services on Sunday 27th November

Advent Sunday

8:00am Low Mass at St Martins, Haverfordwest

9:30am Family Mass at St Martin's, Haverfordwest

10:15am Holy Eucharist at St Ishmael's, Camrose

11:15am Holy Eucharist & St Mary's Gift Day at St Mary's, Haverfordwest

6:00pm Advent Carol Service at St Mary's

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