

The Haverfordwest Local Ministry Area
Sunday 26th March 2017: Mothering Sunday

Receiving Communion

Anyone who is baptised in the Name of the Trinity is welcome to receive Communion in this church. When you come to receive, hold out your hands and you will be given bread and wine. If you would like a blessing instead, please indicate by holding your service book in your hands. Children under 5 can receive the bread. Over 5's may receive either bread and wine or the bread alone as parents decide. If you are not yet baptised, please speak to us. We would love to welcome you into the family of the Church.

COLLECT

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING (1 Samuel 1:20-28)

In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the LORD.'

The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only - may the LORD establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. For this child I prayed; and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD.'

She left him there for the LORD.

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

PSALM (Psalm 127:1-4)

Unless the Lord / builds the / house :
those who / build it / labour in / vain.

Unless the Lord / keeps the / city :
the / guard keeps / watch in / vain.

It is in vain that you hasten to rise up early
and go so late to rest, eating the / bread of / toil :
for he / gives • his be/loved / sleep.

Children are a heritage / from the / Lord :
and the fruit of the / womb / is his / gift.

Like arrows in the / hand of a / warrior :
so are the / children / of one's / youth.

SECOND READING (Colossians 3:12-17)

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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GOSPEL (John 19. 25-27)

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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This week's notices

The Story of Easter on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

10:00am-2:30pm at St Marys Church

Wednesday 29th March

10:00am Mass followed by coffee at St Martins

4:00pm Junior Singers at St Marys

7:00pm Lent Group at Prendergast Church Hall

Friday 31st March

No Holy Eucharist at St Marys today, because of the Story of Easter

Saturday 1st April

9.30am – 4.00pm Lay Development Taster Day at Spittal School

Lent 5 – Passion Sunday: Sunday 2nd April

8:00am Low Mass at St Martins, Haverfordwest

9:30am Sung Parish Mass at St Martins

10:15am Holy Eucharist at St Ismaels Camrose, followed by Annual Vestry Meeting

11:15am Sung Parish Eucharist at St Marys Haverfordwest

5:00pm Haverfordwest Parish Annual Vestry Meeting at St Thomas Hall

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The United Parish of Haverfordwest and Camrose

Services and events for Holy Week and Easter



Palm Sunday (9th April)

8.00am Low Mass at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest
9.30am Blessing of Palm Crosses, at St Martin's Hall, Procession
and Sung Parish Mass at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest
10.15am Blessing of Palm Crosses and Parish Eucharist at St
Ismael's, Camrose
11.15am Blessing of Palm Crosses and Sung Parish Eucharist at St
Mary's Church, Haverfordwest

Monday in Holy Week

8.30am Low Mass at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest
7.30pm Compline and meditation at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest

Tuesday in Holy Week

7.30pm Compline and meditation at St Mary's Church, Haverfordwest

Wednesday in Holy Week

10.00am Low Mass at St Martin's
6.00pm Passover Meal at St Martin's Church Hall, Haverfordwest

Maundy Thursday (13th April)

7.00pm Maundy Thursday Eucharist, Stripping of the Altar and Watch of the
Passion at St Ismael's Church Camrose
7.30pm United Parish Mass, Stripping of the Altar and Watch of the Passion at
St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest



Good Friday (14th April)

7.30am Morning Prayer & Litany at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest
10.30am Stations of the Cross at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest
11.00am Stations of the Cross at St Ismael's Church, Camrose
2.00pm Holy Hour and Good Friday Liturgy at St Mary's Church,
Haverfordwest



Holy Saturday/Easter Eve

7.30pm Easter Vigil, blessing and lighting of Paschal Candle and First
Mass of Easter at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest



Easter Day

Sunrise Easter Service at Plumstone Mountain
9.30am Sung Mass at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest
10.15am Sung Parish Eucharist for Easter Day at St Ismael's
Church, Camrose
11.15am Sung Eucharist at St Mary's Church, Haverfordwest

