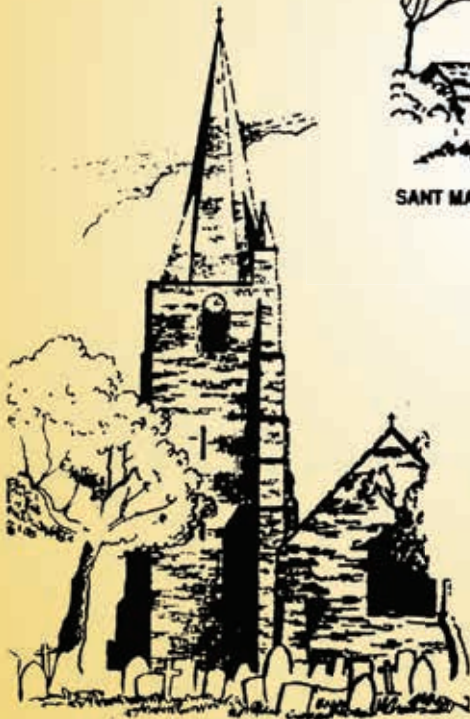


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Pastoral Letter

Dear Friends,

With the Feast of Pentecost, the church has celebrated her birthday, not our individual churches or congregations but the church that came from the work of the first disciples. It is important to remember that the word 'church' can mean so many things and so often we think of our much loved places of worship, or the wider organisations such as the Church in Wales, we should never lose sight of the fact that the church is the people, the gathered community of faith.

Pentecost was when Christ's disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit. The account of this event is found in the book of the Acts of the Apostles which tradition has it was written by St. Luke. The disciples were gathered together and the Holy Spirit came upon them. We read that it came as a great wind and tongues of flame. Christ may no longer be with them in physical body, but the third part of the Trinity was sent to inspire, encourage and guide the infant church on its way. The book of Acts records the first days of the church, the rapid spread of what we now call Christianity across the Middle-east and beyond. How many people received the Holy Spirit on that first Pentecost we will never know, but this same spirit continues to inspire and equip us as we continue the work of the first disciples as the church.

After Pentecost, the church year enters into what is known as Ordinary Time. There are festivals, saints' days and other things that we commemorate during this period, but it is the time when we should look to knuckle down and do what we are here for. This is of course, spreading the Good News and looking to serve those around us, our communities and being an obvious witness to the love of Christ. As a retired bishop of this diocese once remarked, "Ordinary time is the church's bread and butter". The first disciples faced challenge in their work and now two thousand years later we face our own challenges and a world that seems to be increasingly hostile and unfriendly to many things, Christianity included. However, we are not alone, we have the spirit to guide us as it guided the first followers of Christ and of course, we have the wonderful communities of faith that worship in our wonderful (if it times concerning and a bit leaky) buildings. Open your hearts to the spirit and your minds to the gospel and let us as a church, go forward in our faith together bringing hope, love and peace to a world that sorely needs it.

Blessings

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St. Mary's News

Pre-Vestry & Church Council Report- Tuesday 12th May

Fr. Jim was disappointed at the poor turnout for this meeting.

Church Committee was reinstated en bloc with the addition of Gavin Witt, the only name on the nomination list. The church committee is the voice of the church.

St. Mary's Vicar's Warden, Raymond Williams, People's Warden, Gareth Harries;

St. Teilo Vicar's Warden, Nevin Davies, People's Warden, Jayne Roberts; church Committee members – Mary Atkinson (Minutes Secretary), Heather Davies, Brenda Evans, Jeanette Gilasbey, Ceris Harries, Deirdre Horsler, Kathryn Meredith, Nicola Reeve, Gavin Witt.

Diane Cuff is stepping down after 6 years as our Treasurer. There will now be a Finance Team in her place, namely, Pamela Johns, Christine Evans and Dorian Reeve.

LMA Representative – Brenda Evans Diocesan Conference Representative – Nevin Davies.

Diane Cuff presented her final report which had previously been circulated. She was pleased to announce that we have ended 2025 with a small surplus of £3,736.00. Our income and expenditure were in balance but we did have to use £3,000.00 from the Building Fund to fulfil our Ministry Share payments. This has since been refunded into that account. We continue to appreciate the benefits of the Parish Magazine which raised £3,550.00 in 2025 which enable us to meet our outgoings. Thanks to Brenda and Kath for their work in achieving this. Other fundraising efforts including the flower Festival and concerts also meant our income benefitted. Fr. Jim proposed a vote of thanks to Diane for her hard work in her term of office. Figures are available to look at on the noticeboard in St. Mary's.

Fr. Jim presented his report saying it had been a very successful year. Attendance had improved with events such as the flower festival and Music for Mary bringing different people to church. Also, more youngsters and families attending.

The Pruning for growth project has been a cause of concern across the Diocese, including the wider community and the clergy having to deal with matters on the ground. Perhaps this is something that should have been done 20 years ago. Part of our mission is to raise awareness of how the church functions and remind people that if they want an open church, they need to support it. A new amalgamation will happen next year with St. Mary's Burry Port and Holy Trinity, Pwll and St. Illtyd's, Pembrey and

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Llandyry churches coming into the Bro Cydweli LMA while we lose, St. Anne's, Cwmffrwd, Llanddarog, Llanarthne, Llangyndeine so there will still be 10 churches under Fr. Jim's authority.

In conclusion, Fr. Jim thanked all church officers and those who work tirelessly to keep things running. It is a pleasure and honour to be Vicar here, and we will work together to face the future.

At the church committee meeting that followed the Pre-Vestry meeting, other matters included:

Parish Room – Ongoing - Gareth and Raymond are dealing with this.

Graveyard – In mowing the churchyard, it has come to light that some of the gravestones are loose and will have to be laid down. A survey will have to be done, and families needed to be informed so they can be repaired. Thanks to the Friends of St. Mary's for purchasing a new mower and strimmer as we now rely on volunteers to keep the churchyard tidy. Hopefully, a rota of volunteers will be drawn up so it's not too onerous a task.

Water and toilet facilities to be installed at St. Teilo

Signs to be put up for owners to keep dogs on leads and clean up behind them in the churchyard.

Sadly, the proposed pilgrimage to Coventry has been cancelled as there was not enough interest in going. Plans will be made for it to happen next year.

100 Club -Winners for May were: 104,82,103

Thank you to everyone who supports the 100 club. It provides much needed extra income for the church funds. Contact Brenda if you would like to join the 100 club this year.

St. Mary's Readers and Sidespeople for 9.30am

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Sidespeople

June

7th Brenda Evans

Kath and Brian

14th Gavin Witt

Cym. Gareth Harries

Mandy and Lynne

21st Maureen James

Lynda and Angela

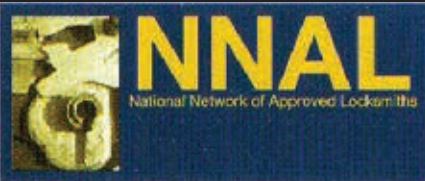
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Brenda Evans 24/06/26 Gavin Witt 01/07/26 Maureen James

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14th/21st June Felicity Williams

28th June/5th July Elin Davies

If you would like to go on the altar flower list in 2026 or contribute to the Flower Fund, please contact me. (01554 890 803)

Upcoming Events for 2026 - For your diary – all events subject to confirmation. Details will be issued when available.

Strawberries and Pimms at the Vicarage Friday 26th June 2026 6.00pm

Excelsior choir Friday July 10th 2026 – see flyer further on in the magazine for details

Mystery Trip Saturday 18th July sign up sheet at the back of church

Music for Mary Saturday 15th August

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Thank you for all the cards, messages and gifts I received on my recent birthday. Special thanks to Nicola for organising the family get together. Hazel.

Jenny Jones thanks everyone for their cards, gifts and good wishes for her birthday in April.

Prayer Corner:



We continue to pray for all those in our community who are unwell either at home, in hospital or in residential care just now. By the votive candle stand in St. Mary's, there is an intercessions book where you may leave any prayer requests which will be prayed at the Wednesday morning Eucharist service.

Help us, O God, from all our afflictions and keep us steadfast in your love; bind up our wounds, raise us from death, and lead us to

fulness of life; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

For those who have died recently in our community and for those bereaved by the loss of a loved one we pray: *Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with the saints: where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing but life everlasting.*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, and giver of comfort: deal graciously, we pray, with those who mourn, that, casting all their care on you, they may know the consolation of your love, though Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

CHRISTIAN AID / CYMORTH CRISTNOGOL This year's appeal is ongoing and any donations you may wish to give would be gratefully received on their behalf by the local Branch members, Peggy, me or the churches. The Annual Service of Worship, this year will be held at Trinity Church, date not arranged yet. Last year's appeal raised including Gift Aid, the sum of £1,751.00

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Branch News

Thank you to everyone that supported our Coffee Morning last month for the Away From It All holiday scheme. We raised an amazing £500 which has been sent to the Diocesan Fund for them to allocate where it will be spent.

In June as part of the 150th Anniversary celebrations, there is a service in St. Paul's Cathedral, London on Wednesday June 10th at 5.00pm.

On Thursday 11th June, the Annual Gathering takes place in the Emmanuel Centre, London between 10.30am-4.00pm. I do have one pair of tickets available should you wish to go.

Our Diocesan celebrations will be held on Saturday June 20th at the Cathedral with a celebratory service at 4.00pm although we will have a presence in the Cathedral all day and the Grand Raffle will be drawn before the service.

60 years of girl choristers at St. Davids Cathedral St Davids Cathedral recently marked 60 years since girl choristers first sang in the Cathedral Choir with a celebratory evensong.

It was in April 1966 that the Cathedral Choir were busy preparing for a BBC radio broadcast of choral evensong, when in the days leading up to the recording, numerous boy choristers succumbed to a measles outbreak that was spreading through the local primary schools.

Facing the prospect of no choristers being well enough to perform, Organist and Master of the Choristers, Peter Boorman, approached music teacher Rosalyn Charles, and asked if the girls of Ysgol Dewi Sant school choir may be able to sing.

The school, Dean and Chapter all approved the emergency measure, and following a successful broadcast on 20th April 1966, chapter agreed in July 1966 that the girls were to become full choristers.

Ever since, the soprano line in the Cathedral Choir has been sung by girls aged 8-18, drawn from St Davids and, more recently, further afield in Pembrokeshire. St David's Cathedral pioneered the concept of girls singing in cathedral choirs, decades before similar initiatives were launched in other cathedrals.

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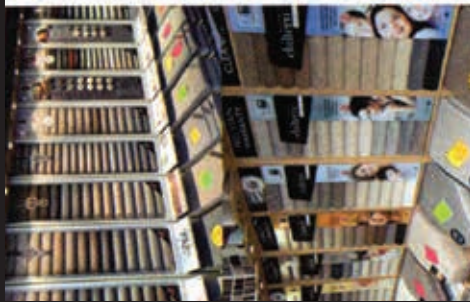
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Civic Service

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Royal British Legion

The next meeting will be on Monday 1st June at 7.30pm in the Boot and Shoe.

Carnival Day is on the 11th July, 2026. Parade to commence at 12 noon. Among the attractions will be Titan the Robot, Scottish Pipe Band, Carmarthen Symphony Band and a steel band.

On the stage there will be the Barhounds and Melody and John Baker on the square.

There will be bouncy castles, Circusdayze, Lindy Hop, Llanelli Flying Club, stalls and food vendors plus lots of activities

Kidwelly Twinning Association

We will have returned from our visit to St. Jacut by the time this magazine is ready, but there are dates for your diary for other events. Friday 3rd July there will be a Quiz and Twinning info meeting in Mynyddygarreg Hall at 7.00pm and our next big music night will be on Friday 14th November with The Worried Men of Gower performing at the Princess Gwenllian Centre. More details later. Please do try and support either of these events.

KIDWELLY SENIOR CITIZENS.

After both of them had been off their feet for most of the year due to accidents, we were very pleased to welcome back Janis Jones and Eve Jones to our meeting. They both had to put a lot of energy and hard work into getting back to a good place. Well done Ladies. We collected names to go to Picton Castle and Haverfordwest on 17th July. If anyone would like to join us please contact Jackie on 01554 891399. Our speakers for this month were Rebecca Williams and Alan Rush from Dyfed Powys Police, Cyber Security. They told us how to stay safe online by showing us what details to look out for, and how easily the scammers use similar looking Logos to fool us, also to use different passwords, so that if the scammers get into one, they can't get into all your accounts. A very interesting and enlightening talk. They answered quite a few questions afterwards. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 3rd June, 2pm at the Rugby Club. New members welcome.

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Please read this article submitted by Jenny Jones, about the Asian Hornet or sometimes called the Yellow Legged Hornet and spread the information. It could save someone's life.

In flight and feeding they are no more aggressive than a wasp. If you do see one, try to take a photograph and report it immediately (contacts attached). A team from the National Bee Unit will track the insect back to its nest and eliminate the colony.

If you happen upon a nest **DO NOT APPROACH**. They can detect and attack sources of carbon dioxide. Not only are they a serious threat to human life if their nest is disturbed, but they are also a highly aggressive predator of native insects – pollinators in our food chain.

Most reported sightings are from the general public, so please when out and about in the countryside keep your eyes open and report immediately

Alert! Report sightings of this species:



Impact: A highly effective predator of insects, including honey bees and other beneficial species, which can cause significant losses to bee colonies, and potentially

other native species

GB status: Yellow-legged hornet arrived in France in 2004 where it spread rapidly. A number of sightings have been recorded in the UK since 2016, view the latest information:

[Yellow-legged hornet 2025 rolling update » APHA - National Bee Unit - BeeBase](#) or

[Laboratory confirmed UK sightings - GOV.UK](#)

Recording: Please report any suspected sightings of this species immediately with a photo, ideally via the links below:

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You can also [email us to report a yellow-legged hornet sighting](#). Please include a photograph and location details. Do not under any circumstances disturb or provoke an active hornets' nest.

Vigilance is particularly required in southern parts of England and Wales and around major ports. Yellow-legged hornet is active mainly between April and November (peak August/September) and is inactive over the winter.

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Recipe of the Month:

I offer this recipe for you to try: It was included in the Mothers' Union Tea Time Recipe Book which was produced when I was MU Diocesan President between 2023-2015. Brenda Evans

Gluten-Free Sticky Toffee Pudding with hot toffee sauce

Ingredients: pudding

225g chopped dates 300ml hot tea

Sunflower oil 110g rice flour

110g tapioca flour 1 ½ tsp gluten-free baking powder 1tsp xanthan gum

110g unsalted butter 175g caster sugar

3 eggs

1tsp bicarbonate of soda 1 tsp pure vanilla extract

1 tsp espresso coffee

Sauce

110g butter 175g dark brown soft Barbados sugar

110g granulated sugar 275g golden syrup 225g single cream ½ tsp pure vanilla extract

Method: Preheat oven to 180C/350F/Gas 4 and brush with sunflower oil a 20cm spring-form tin with removable base and place a circle of oiled greaseproof on the base.

Soak dates in the tea for 15 minutes; sift together the flours, baking powder and xanthan gum; Cream butter and sugar till light and soft; beat in the eggs and fold in the flour mixture; add the bicarbonate of soda, vanilla extract and coffee to the date and tea and stir this into the mixture; turn into the prepared tin and bake for 1-1 ½ hours.

To make the sauce, place the butter, sugar and golden syrup into a heavy based saucepan and melt gently on a low heat; simmer for about 5 minutes, remove from the heat; gradually stir in the cream and vanilla extract; return to the heat and stir for 2-3minutes until the sauce is smooth.

Pour a little sauce onto a serving plate; place sticky toffee pudding on top and pour over more sauce.

Serve the remaining sauce in a bowl along with whipped cream and enjoy!

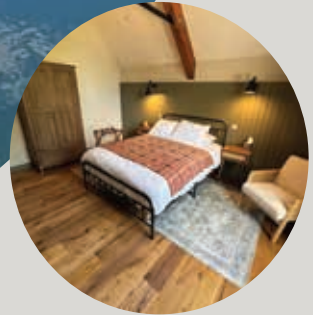
The sauce keeps for months and is delicious with ice cream and/or bananas.





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Newyddion St. Teilo News

We are now approaching halfway through the year and soon to celebrate the Summer Solstice, the Longest Day 21st June and still awaiting warm weather. But, how good to see that the weather is not greatly affecting nature because the trees are full of leaves, flowers are blooming and gardens springing to life with produce coming along well. Nurturing and growing just like gardeners, our Churches appear to be doing just this with events planned for summer months, bringing us together, growing in numbers and being nurtured. I'm sure we are looking forward to coming together in fellowship and friendship.

Mynyddgarreg Senior Citizens Club met in May for a lovely social afternoon. A good number attended and final arrangements made to visit the Lyric Theatre at the end of May for a youth production of Annie. A coach will be taking members to the Food Festival in Cardiff Bay on the new date of Friday 3rd July, leaving at 9.00am. There are seats available should anyone wish to take the opportunity of visiting Cardiff city or the Bay. The Raffle was won by Mike, and refreshments were served by Marlene and Jayne who were thanked for their stint doing this. Peggy and Mair volunteered for the next quarter. Happy Birthday wishes were sung for Kathleen, June and Mike.

The group was saddened to hear of the passing of Mrs Avril Morris, a very faithful member over the years. Condolences were sent to the family, and we observed a minute's silence to reflect on Avril and our fond memories of her at our Club.

We were very pleased to welcome as guest speaker, Mrs Elaine Jenkins of Cydweli, who gave a most interesting talk along with a slide show of her Cruise to Antarctica and South America over Christmas with Christmas day spent on the Falklands, visiting the Welsh Colony of Patagonia and Puerto Madryn, and on to crossing the Drake Passage on New Year's Eve. Many of us were very envious of all she had seen and done! Elaine, well known for her wonderful fundraising over the years for the Velindre Hospital Cancer appeal, is yet again embarking on a challenging Macmillian Mighty Hike in the Gower at the end of June, hoping to walk a half marathon, namely 13 miles. Elaine is to be congratulated on all her charity ventures and in turn would be grateful to receive any donation, large or small. Thanks to her bringing along to our meeting, knitted little penguins to sell, with a Raffle and Donations, we at the club managed to raise £160 for this venture.

Felly, diolch yn fawr iawn i Elaine am rhoi i amser ag ymuno a ni yn y Clwb. Next meeting will be as usual, the first Wednesday of the month,



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Eisteddfod Gadeiriol Menter y Mynydd that was held in May saw a full Neuadd of supporters and a good number of competitors taking to the stage. As usual, the standard was high and pleasing to the judges, Tudur Dylan Jones, Poetry and Literature, Meinir Richards, Music and Ceri Morris, Art. Guest President of the day was Ioan Hefin Evans.

The Chair is the handwork of Huw Morris, Priory Street who also crafts the replica Chair which the winner of the Prose receives. This year the Chair went to Mr Mark Ford of Pontardulais, a worthy winner on his first ever attempt.

The Chiring Ceremony saw Ioan Hefin on the Cornet and Martin Henry singing the Bardic song. Christine Evans read a Poem welcoming the Bard, beautifully written by Heddwyn Jones, Pontyates and, a group of young girls from Ysgol Mynyddygarreg danced the Flower Dance. Guest pianist was Jonathan Morgan. Stage leaders were Mr Adam Barnett, Mr Tudur Jones and Mr Ioan Hefin Evans.

The Eisteddfod committee wish to thank everyone for their loyal support, to the Neuadd committee for a superb and fitting building and to Cyngor Tref Cydweli a Mynyddygarreg for their sponsorship. Diolch yn fawr i bawb am bob arwydd o gefnogaeth, sy'n sicrhau llwyddiant a dyfodol ein Eisteddfod Gymunedol.

The Baptism took place recently at St Mary's Church Stoke Bishop, Bristol, of Otto Laure and Willa Nelda, son and daughter of Mark and Rachel formerly of Muddlescwm Farm. Proud Grandfather David Gravell and Uncle Thomas along with family and friends from West Wales travelled to witness the happy occasion. We send them our blessings and wish all the family well.

Congratulations go to Neville and Gwen Henry, Cwrt Cadog, Meinciau Road, who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary recently. Ein dymuniadau gorau i chi'ch dau a llongyfarchiadau oddiwrth pawb yn Sant Teilo a'ch ffrindiau yn y pentre.

Congratulations to Holly and Max Martin, Ty Llangadog, on their incredible challenge, taking on the formidable Three Peaks, scaling the highest mountains in Scotland, England and Wales, namely Ben Nevis, Scafell Pike and Yr Wyddfa in an outstanding 23 hours 17 minutes, raising

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money in aid of the David Nott Foundation, a very worthy charity in the health care system, a most interesting read and worth looking up. Trailing them with transport covering the journey was proud dad, Pete Martin. Well done Holly and Max, the training and preparation worth the achievement it appears. Holly is Pharmacist at a private hospital in London and Max is doing his Masters in Physiotherapy in Bournemouth.

Sincere condolences go to the family of Mrs Avril Morris, Velindre Cottage, who passed away in April. She was a faithful and much respected member of Sant Teilo, despite not having been able to join us in worship the last year owing to ill-health. Avril will be very much missed by us all. The funeral was held at St. Mary's with our Ficer, Rev. Jim Flanagan officiating. **Capel Horeb** will be holding a service in the Vestry on Sunday 7th June at 3.30pm, officiating will be the Parchedig Steffan Jones.

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Helen Davies
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Flowers/Blodau

1-14th June Mary Jones, Cilfeithy 21-28th June Mary Atkinson
5-12th July Laura Jones

Coffee and Chat

Thank you to Edwin Atkinson for his talk on his Navy career. It was very interesting and very well supported. Our next Coffee and chat will be on Tuesday 16th June and the guest speaker will be Owen Jones 'Starforge' and his topic will be his life. Please come along and join us at 10.30.

Congratulations to Gethin and Eunice Jones who married on the 23rd of May in Myddfai. Llongyfarchiadau i chi ddau a phob lwc am y dyfodol.

Short Mat Bowls

Caroline Stiles has been selected to represent the Welsh Women's British Isles squad that will compete in Scotland in 2027. What a wonderful opportunity and we wish her lots of luck in the competition.

We welcomed Archdeacon Ven Mones Farrah to church on the 10th of May where he gave a sermon. It was followed by a lunch at the Red Lion where Kath was presented with a gift for all her hard work as secretary for 35 years. Our next church service and lunch will be held on Sunday the 15th of November when Bishop Dorrien will be attending.

The quiz held in April attracted a great turnout, despite numerous other events occurring at the same time. Eleri and Llinos presented a captivating quiz featuring some unusual questions that stumped many participants. Ultimately, the team consisting of Father Jim, Lisa, Heather and Brian Witt emerged victorious after a tiebreaker question which would have been quite embarrassing had they lost! The event raised £870 for the church, so a heartfelt thank you goes out to Eleri for crafting the quiz,



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Llinos for facilitating it, Shan for organizing the food and bar, and everyone who contributed food and raffle items that night.

The YFC County Rally took place on May 9th at the Carmarthen Showground, attracting over 500 competitors for what turned out to be a very busy day. Our senior and junior teams participated in a range of competitions, including woodworking, cake decorating, and capable camping! St. Ishmaels celebrated some impressive wins with Caryl Jones and Nia Thomas both securing 1st place in their floral art competitions and Harri Jones from Cilfeithy achieved 1st place in the dairy calf preparation category. A tremendous amount of effort goes into organizing the rally, and the support from families and volunteers is invaluable in teaching the young participants skills that will benefit them for a lifetime.

Llandyfaelog Community Council

Congratulations to Jenny Jones Pantycrug for taking over the chair at the AGM this week. Best wishes for your year in office and thank you to outgoing chair Philip Davies.

Garden competition

Llandyfaelog Community Council's garden competition is back with four categories

- container garden
- small flower garden
- large flower garden
- vegetable garden

Entries and nominations to the clerk Arfon Davies, and the vegetable garden will be judged in June and flower garden in early August. The prize giving evening will be in mid-August with £50 given for the best overall garden and £25 for the other categories.



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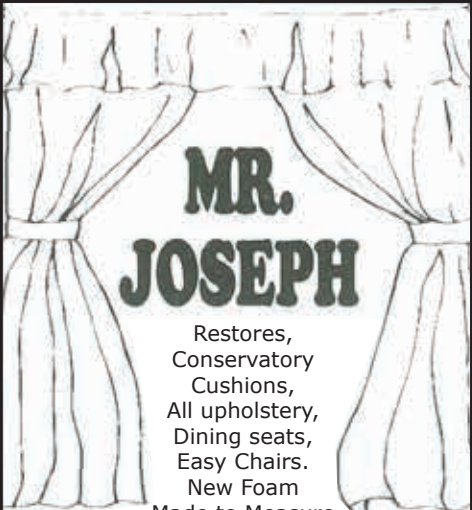
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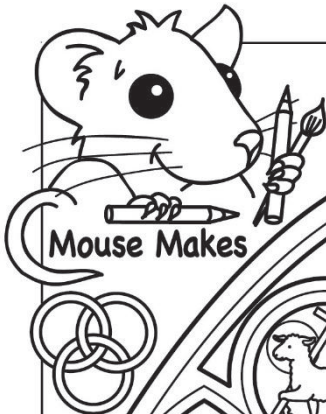
Sunday 7th June **1st Sunday after Trinity** (Liturgical Colour: Green)
Eucharist: Hosea 5.15-6.6; Psalm 50.7-15; Romans 4.13-25; Matthew 9.9-13,18-26[p273]
Evening Prayer: Psalm [39]41; 1 Samuel 18.1-16; Luke 8.41-56
Reader: Ted Rowlands

Sunday 14th June **2nd Sunday after Trinity** (Liturgical Colour: Green)
Eucharist: Exodus 19.2-8a; Psalm 100; Romans 5.1-8; Matthew 9.35-10.8[9-23] [p280]
Evening Prayer: Psalm [42]43; 1 Samuel 21.1-15; Luke 11.14-28
Reader: Jenny Jones

Sunday 21st June **3rd Sunday after Trinity** (Liturgical Colour: Green)
Jeremiah 20.7-13; Psalm 69.7-10,[11-15] 16-18 or 69.13-18; Romans 6.1b-11; Matthew 10.24-39 [p287]
No Evening Prayer – Civic service at 3.00pm

Sunday 28th June **4th Sunday after Trinity** (Liturgical Colour: Green)
Eucharist: Jeremiah 28.5-9; Psalm 89.1-4, 15-18 or 89.8-18; Romans 6.12-23; Matthew 10.40-42 [p293]
Evening Prayer: Psalm 50. Or 50.1-15; 1 Samuel 28.3-19; Luke 17.20-37
Reader: Brenda Evans

Sunday 5th July **5th Sunday after Trinity** (Liturgical Colour: Green)
Eucharist: Zechariah 9.9-12; Psalm 145.8-14; Romans 7.15-25a; Matthew 11.16-1-9, 25-30 [p299]
Evening Prayer: Psalm 56 [57]; 2 Samuel 2.1-11;3.1; Luke 18.31-19.10
Reader: Ted Rowlands



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*2 Corinthians
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Today, most Protestant denominations don't acknowledge the festival, because of its association with the doctrine of the Real Presence. However, some Anglican churches do observe it, as the Thanksgiving for Holy Communion.

How do we understand the significance of the Eucharist or Holy Communion? Paul in 1 Corinthians 11: 23-32, points us in three directions.

A Past Commemoration:

The Eucharist *looks back* as we remember the Passover meal Jesus shared with His disciples (Luke 22:14–20). Jesus broke the bread and took the cup to signify that His atoning sacrifice on the Cross delivers us from the bondage of sin and death. As we remember His broken body and shed blood, it becomes personal: Christ died for *me*, suffered for *my* sins that *I* might live. It is truly a *eucharist*, a thanksgiving: *'Do this in remembrance of Me'* (1 Corinthians 11: 24,25).

A Present Communion:

The Eucharist speaks of the communion we enjoy with a living Christ, because our sins are forgiven. Paul encourages us to *look in* at the state of our hearts: *'Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.'* (28). We should also *look around* acknowledging the communion we have with other believers. Holy Communion expresses our unity together: *'Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf.'* (11:17). Paul is expressing his concerns here about the divisions in the Corinthian Church.

A Future Certainty:

The Eucharist is also a place where we *look forward* to Christ's return: *'For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.'* (26). It declares that the reign of Christ has already begun, as we look forward to Jesus' return. He will unite earth and heaven under His rule and sin, death and Satan will finally be defeated.

So, when we next take Holy Communion, let's reflect on the past, present and future implications of what this meal means for us.

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St. Mary's Kidwelly

Sunday 7th June **Trinity 1**
9.30am Choral Eucharist
6.00pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 14th June **Trinity 2**
9.30am Choral Eucharist
11.00am Cymun Bendigaidd
6.00pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 20th June
MU at the Cathedral

Sunday 21st June **Trinity 3**
9.30am Choral Eucharist
3.00pm Civic Service
No Evening Prayer

Sunday 28th June **Trinity 4**
9.30am Family Eucharist
6.00pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 5th July **Trinity 5**
9.30am Choral Eucharist
6.00pm Evening Prayer

Wednesdays

9.30am Holy Eucharist in the Lady
Chapel

Services

June 2026

St Maelog's, Llandyfaelog

Sunday 7th June **Trinity 1**
11.15am Bilingual Mattins

Sunday 14th June **Trinity 2**
11.15am Bilingual Eucharist

Sunday 21st June **Trinity 3**
11.15am Bilingual Eucharist

Sunday 28th June **Trinity 4**
11.15am Bilingual Family
Eucharist

Sunday 5th July **Trinity 5**
11.15am Bilingual Mattins

St Teilo's, Mynyddygarreg

Sunday 7th June **Trinity 1**
11.15am Bilingual Eucharist

Sunday 21st June **Trinity 3**
11.15am Bilingual Eucharist

Sunday 5th July **Trinity 5**
11.15am Bilingual Eucharist