



The Church in Wales Holy Island Ministry Area – Bro Cybi

The Church of St Cybi's : St Gwenfaen's : St Fraid's : St David's

13th of June 2021

Letter to Bro Cybi

Dear friends,

All Grace and Peace be with you. I hope you are well and enjoying the summer.

It is good to be back in our wonderful churches for regular worship and I do recognise that not everyone has returned to church, whilst some of you are cautious, which is understandable. I want to express thanks on behalf of everyone; for all the hard work by our church wardens, stewards and people on our church committees for their continuing commitments to running our church buildings. If you have not already returned to church I hope you will join consider joining us for communal worship, where we share together the celebration of our shared faith.

I have included my reflection for last Sunday with this letter, it is on the subject of our community of faith and seeks to address two significant questions – the answers to which may be critical for people inside and outside the church: If there is a God then why does suffering happen? What happens when we die?

We are making plans for summer activities which will hopefully take place as long as the restrictions continue to be eased. These include the charity shop in Holyhead, some outdoor services at Trearddur and Rhoscolyn and other community events. We will be in touch about these as the plans come together. Neil has started taking assemblies again at Ysgol Cybi which is great news and we are working on plans with both Ysgol Cybi and Ysgol Uwchradd Caergybi to do joint projects, possibly on the site of St Seiriol's Church and graveyard.

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I want also to tell you about the consultations on the plans and proposals for St Cybi's and Eglwys y Bedd. The drawings and proposals for the Stones Shout Out project will be displayed in the porch at St Cybi's before this weekend. There will be a presentation about the plans on Tuesday the 29th of June at 7pm in St Cybi's. Sion Rhys-Evans our Diocesan secretary will be doing the presentation, together with myself and Janet Gough who is leading the project. We are very keen to hear your thoughts and views on the proposals. The numbers in Church may still be limited on the 29th of June so please book in with Pat Hughes on 860412, please don't just turn up – if your name isn't on her booking list you may not get in ! We will be livestreaming the presentation from St Cybi's for those who are able to see it that way. And I will be sending out feedback forms beforehand, so even if you are not attending on the 29th your views will be noted – anonymously if you prefer.

Stewarding will begin in St Cybi's on the 29th of June during the daytime and will last until the end of September. We are expecting a good number of cruise ships into Holyhead this year, it will be so good to have our church open again during the summer months. If you want to volunteer as a steward then please do get in touch with Pat. I am delivering safety and safeguarding training for stewarding next Tuesday – again Pat can give you the details and book you in for this training.

I am very hopeful that later this year I will be able to begin some evening youthwork sessions from Eglwys y Bedd. I can't wait to get back doing activities with young people. If you want to be involved then please do let me know !

With blessings and best wishes

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