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Ein Harglwyddes
Seren y Mor,
Porth Tywyn

Our Lady,
Star of the Sea
Burry Port



Ein Harglwyddes
a Cadog Sant,
Cydweli

Our Lady
& St. Cadoc,
Kidwelly



Y Groes Sanctaidd,
Pontyberem

Holy Cross,
Pontyberem

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Votive Sponsors

The Sanctuary and statue candles are open for sponsorship at £1.00 per lantern.

This week's candles are sponsored for the intentions Of the Bevan Family, Especially Anne Stevens-Bevan



Prayer requests

Please make your prayer requests known to Fr. , especially if you would like them included in the newsletter for our brothers and sisters to pray.

MASS TIMES

Sat 27/06/2026

18:00 - Holy Rosary -18:30 - Holy Mass - Burry Port

Sun 28/06/2026 -

09:00 - Holy Rosary - 09:30 - Holy Mass- Pontyberem -

11:00 - Holy Mass - Kidwelly- Sylvia Clara Thomas RIP

13th Week of Ordinary time

Mon 29/06/2026 -

10:00 - Holy Mass - Burry Port

Weds 01/07/2026

09:00-Holy Rosary, Adoration, Centering prayer -

10:00 - Holy Mass - Kidwelly-

17:30- Holy Rosary -18:00- Holy Mass - Burry Port

Thursday 02/07/2026

10:00 - Holy Mass - Burry Port

Friday 03/07/2026 -

12:00 -Divine Mercy Devotion & Holy Mass - Burry Port

Sat 04/07/2026

10:00 - Holy Mass of BVM - Burry Port

18:00- Holy Rosary - 18:30 Holy Mass - Burry Port

13th Sunday In Ordinary time

Sun 28/06/2026

09:00 - Holy Rosary - 09:30 - Holy Mass - 09:45 - Benediction - Pontyberem -

11:00 - Holy Mass - 11:45 - Benediction Kidwelly

The Rock and the Ink

Brothers and Sisters, today we celebrate two men who could not be more different, yet were bound by the same Cross. Peter, the Rock, was a fisherman, he was never perfect, and the lord Jesus called him into the ministry of evangelizing. He confessed Christ with fire on one day, and denied Him with fear on the next. But Jesus did not build His Church on Peter's perfection. He built it on Peter's confession: "You are the Christ", and on His own promise to stay with a broken man. Peter, realized himself and went back to his Master.

The Ink

Paul, the Ink, never walked with Jesus in Galilee. However, his meeting with Christ became remarkable. Paul met Christ, as a blinding light on the road to Damascus. He spent the rest of his life with the use of his ink to putting that encounter into words. Chained in a Roman prison, his pen did not stop. From prison came letters of joy, of hope, and encouragement. Ink travels where the body cannot. Because Paul wrote, the Gospel reached Corinth, Rome, and now us, here in our parish bulletin.

Rock and Ink, Together

Peter and Paul were martyred in the same city under the same emperor, but their gifts were different. The Church needs Rocks: people who stay, who guard, who say "this far, and no further" when truth is under pressure. The Church also needs Ink: people who go, who write, who translate the Gospel for a new age. Most of us are called to be both. We must be rock-solid in prayer and ink-brave in witness. As we leave Mass today, let us ask St. Peter for courage to stand firm, and St. Paul for courage to speak plainly. For on the Rock and with the Ink, Christ is still building His Church. Saints Peter and Paul, pray for us. Amen.

Readings

Acts 12: 1-11

Psalms 34

2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 17

Gospel Mathew 16: 13-19

Saints of the week

Saint Thomas, Apostle (Feast) 3/7

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal 4/7

Prayer of the Faithful

Lector: In all things, Father

A thank you

Thank you to the anonymous Parishoner at Kidwelly who has made a generous donation towards the parish maintenance. Please, if you are signed up to Gift-aid and are willing, please inform Fr so that the Gift-aid can be claimed on the kind donation.

Music for Benediction at Kidwelly

We now have access to the music to accompany the jumps for the monthly Benediction. Ready for July's Benediction these can be found at the Parish website under "Mass times". There is a music player that will play the music for your practice. Alternatively, you can listen to the playlist via the QR code. Please do listen to them and get used to the new pacing.



Sunday Offerings from Holy Cross, Pontyberem

01/03	£127.32	05/04	£139.80
08/03	£115.30	12/04	£111.25
15/03	£47.70	19/04	£121.67
22/03	£50.26	26/04	£146.05
29/03	£89.10		
Total	£429.68		£518.77

News from the Deanery

Welsh National Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Dates: 20th - 24th July 2026. A full religious programme, flights and transfers in France, full board 4* Hotel, insurance and Lourdes Levies are included in the package. Bookings: www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-welsh/ Enquiries: welshnationalpilgrimage@gmail.com

Men's Rosary Rally (Gorseinon Parish)

First Saturday of the month in Swansea Centre, outside St David's Priory at 1pm.

Altar Egos podcast (Llanelli Parish)

Through thought-provoking conversations, personal stories, and reflections on faith, we explore what it means to live with meaning in today's world. Whether you're curious about spirituality, love hearing real-life stories, or just enjoy exploring ideas that make you think, Altar Egos invites you to listen, reflect, and discover something new.

<https://www.youtube.com/@AltarEgosPodcast>

Emmaus Youth

Children's Liturgy

- Please make use of the resources, games and toys at the back of the foyer. There are activities for all ages to help spiritual growth.

Pilgrimage for Yr 8- Y13

- Pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Taper, Cardigan Saturday 18/07/2026 11am- 5pm £15. Activities: Rosary Walk. Learn about the Shrine. Connect with Others. Email: youth@cardiffmenevia.org. Call: 02920379490 Register by July 6th (transport available from selected locations)

Summer Camp: Unplug. Rest. Explore

- 5-9 August 2026 Year 9s - 13s. St David's Bunk Barns, Pembrokeshire
- £300, Travel & Meals included To journey email: youth@Cardiffmenevia.org or Call 02920379490 Deadline for registration & payment is July 13th

News from the Dioceses

Sunday, 28th June, the second collection is the Peter's Pence. It is a mandatory collection by the Holy See. Donating to Peter's Pence is a concrete gesture of communion with the Holy Father and of his solidarity with his mission to bring the Gospel throughout the world. To support this initiative, the Secretariat for the Economy and the Dicastery for Communication of the Holy See have prepared informational and multimedia materials to illustrate its significance. On the official website ObolodiSanPietro.va. They are made available in various languages.

Safeguarding-If you have any concerns please approach any of our designated officers

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