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Dear Friends

How to Handle Temptation

'I can resist everything but temptation' (Oscar Wilde). During Lent we remember Jesus' experience in the wilderness (Matthew 4:1-11), when *'He was led by the Spirit to be tempted by the devil.'* (1). Temptation is a test of whether we do things our way or God's way. After 40 days of fasting Jesus was tired, hungry and vulnerable. Like Him, the Devil will attack us at our most vulnerable moments, especially when we are stressed.

The first temptation was to turn stones into bread: Jesus' ministry was not about putting His own needs first, but being nourished by God's word. *'We do not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of God'* (Deuteronomy 8:3). Like Jesus, we need to make God our priority and trust Him completely.

The second temptation was to put God to the test: Jumping off the Temple pinnacle would have been a dramatic way for Jesus to gain popularity, but this was not God's way! *'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'* (Deuteronomy 6:16). We too need to learn this lesson!

The third temptation was to worship Satan: The devil took Jesus up a mountain to offer Him worldly power. In contrast, His calling as Messiah was to be marked by suffering and honouring God. *'Worship the Lord your God and serve Him only'* (Deuteronomy 6:13). This is to be our experience of living for God.

Jesus stands with us in our temptations. As we claim the promises of Scripture, like Him, we will find strength in the Spirit's power and the victory of the Cross.

Consider these verses:

'Watch and pray, so that you enter not into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.' (Matthew 26:41)

'Since Jesus Himself has endured being tempted, He is able to help those who are tempted.' (Hebrews 2:18)

'Blessed is the man that endures temptation, for when he is tested, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.' (James 1:12)

'If you look at the world, you'll be distressed. If you look within, you'll be depressed. But if you look at Christ, you'll be at rest!' (Corrie Ten Boom).

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Mar 1st Lay led

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News

We pray for those who are ill at home, in hospital or nursing homes.



Our thoughts are also with those who lovingly care for them by day and night.

Julie Cole, Miriam Evans, Doll Lee, Diane Lewis (Hillside Nursing Home), Olwen Nicholas, Betty Nutt, Mary Osborne (Hillside Nursing Home), Rev'd Judith Phillips, Jane Riseborough, Rita Trew, Gloria and Brian Wilkins, Eileen Wilson and all others known to Him who need our prayers.

RIP ALAN PICKARD: our thoughts, prayers and deepest sympathy are sent with much love to Carole, Heather, Tim and their families on the death of Alan at his home in Llangennith. More to follow in next month's magazine.

BERYL EILEEN HARRIS

Although we were aware that Beryl had been unwell for some time we were, nevertheless, saddened to hear of her death. Beryl loved her church and her church loved Beryl.

Beryl was born in the Bonymaen area of Swansea, but at a young age she and her family moved to Fforestfach. She had a happy childhood and her first place of work was at Treseder and Pressdee but later in life worked for Marks and Spencers at their Viking Way Warehouse. She was a well liked and popular work mate - they were like family - they shared sorrows, joys and secrets. They all remained friends for many years after Beryl retired.

A next door neighbour in Fforestfach was a young man named Gerry Harris — the rest is history and they married in Cockett Church in 1960 and moved to Dunvant where Jeremy and Catherine were born; then they moved to Upper Killay. Finally she and Gerry spent their last years together in Dylan Road. They both loved good holidays and travelled widely in this country and abroad.

Beryl was a sociable person - she loved people and having coffee with friends and entertaining. How fitting that the final meal for Beryl on her earthly home was at St. Hilary's Church Hall. For close on 6 decades she had prepared food for Arch Bishop Rowan Williams, Bishops, Chancellors, Cannons and countless Vicars and Curates. She delighted in laying the tables for the various events and when the white tablecloths would be removed to reveal the festive boards one word would echo from the guests "WOW".



There was not a Fayre, celebration, leaving party, welcome a new vicar party that Beryl was not involved in. When you visited the Harris household Beryl would greet you with a warm welcoming smile - you could not leave without a cup of tea.

If it was September she would be busy in the kitchen preparing mince meat - Christmas puddings and Christmas cakes. In the freezer would already be the fillings for the various savoury items she would have on her stall for the Christmas Fayre.

Beryl was a proud mother and grandmother. She supported Jeremy in all his church undertakings. For many years Jeremy served as Church Warden with Beryl at his side. For Catherine the support was in another direction - if you wanted to see Beryl go to the gates of Duvant School at going home time - she would be there greeting Catherine's children.

Beryl didn't show off or brag. She was offered offices in the church but she always declined. She worked tirelessly without any titles - she did it for St. Hilary's Church.

You will be very much missed by us all - but we are so aware of the loss to your family. We send our love and our prayers to Jeremy and Sarah and Mia, Christian and Jackson and to Catherine and Colin and Rebecca, Joseph and Harrison.

May you Rest in Peace

ST HILARY'S CHURCH CENTENARY - AUGUST 2026

As many of you will know, St. Hilary's Church will be 100 years old this year. We intend to celebrate this occasion in a number of ways but need your help. If you, your families, friends and neighbours have or have had any connection with St. Hilary's over the years, please can you look for any photographs or possible orders of service from weddings, funerals, baptisms or confirmations.

We need photographs and memories of church organisations, church fayres, youth clubs, pram group, luncheon club, sporting activities, garden club trips and celebratory events of any kind at all. Anything you have will be appreciated and returned to you.

Any ideas will be welcomed, please don't be afraid to think outside the box.

*Thank you,
Marian Williams and Mike Powell
Congregational Wardens.*

MONTHLY HOUSE GROUPS:

Mike & Sylvia – 1st Monday

Celia Hall – 2nd Tuesday

Carol Conway - 3rd Thursday

St Martin's House Group will meet at St Martin's on the last Wednesday of the month 6.00pm

NEW WARDEN ST HILARY'S:

Please keep Cath Swain in your prayers as we formally welcome her into her role as warden on the 15th of February during the Sunday Eucharist at St Hilary's.

We give thanks to Mike for the many years of faithful service as warden, and we give thanks also to Sylvia for her support during his time of office.



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SUNDAY		
9:30	Bubble Church (with puppets) - <u>1st Monday of the month</u>	Drop In
10:15 – 12:30	Sunday School - <u>2nd & 3rd Sunday of the month</u>	Drop In
MONDAY		
9:00 and 10:30am	Slimming World	Sue - 07813316739
9:15 to 11:00am	TOTS Group (up to school age)	Drop In (Term time only)
1:00 to 2:00pm	Welsh Story & Rhyme Time (up to 18 months)	Patsy - Drop In (Term time)
7:30pm	Music Society - <u>2nd Monday of the month</u>	
TUESDAY		
9:45 and 11:00am	FLexercise Keep Fit for 50+	Chris - 07738199666
1:15 to 2:15pm	Chair Yoga	Celene - 07595456532
6:00pm	4th Killay Brownies	
2:00 to 4:00pm	Mothers' Union - <u>3rd Tuesday of the month</u>	
WEDNESDAY		
9:30am	WeightWatchers	Drop in to see Kate - kgoudge@www.com
10:00am	Luncheon Club - <u>1st Wednesday of the month</u>	Kay - 01792206373
THURSDAY		
9:15am	Foot Clinic (once a month by appointment)	Julie - 07796 173074
5:45 to 6:45pm	Dancefit	Rachel - info@swanseadance.com
FRIDAY		
7:00 to 9:00	Indoor Bowls Club	Drop In to enquire

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When it feels like the world is falling apart, where might we look for Peacefulness? In uncertain times, what might inspire a new pattern of living for us, shaped by hope not life's troubles?

Gower Ministry Area is inviting people to a group that will seek to try and make sense of our world and ask some of the Big Questions of life through conversations about faith and what makes us tick.

We're running groups which are less about providing 'all the answers' and more about a space for discovery, reflection, and growth. Imagine a safe haven for those searching for meaning, those healing from hurt, and those simply looking for a fresh start. A diversity of stories and perspectives that enriches the experience for everyone involved.

We're offering two different groups:

- An online group meets on Zoom at 7.30pm on Tuesday nights from February 3rd. Meeting ID: 8972887 2933; Passcode: 823812
- An in person group meets at 6pm on Mondays at St Hilary's Church Hall, Killay from February 23rd. This group will also offer an evening meal together.

Every week features a short film on topics like meaning, purpose, and belief - followed by open, honest conversations. You're encouraged to express curiosity, raise doubts, or simply listen in. Many people who considered themselves non-religious or unsure have found these sessions to be a refreshing place to think, discuss, and connect without obligation.

Our approach is that faith should be explored, not imposed. So we have no assumptions and no expectations. Alpha is open to all - regardless of your background or beliefs.

How to take part? You can let us know you'd like to come along by contacting Peter by text or WhatsApp on 07944056335, or peterlewis@cinw.org.uk

Music Society

The first meeting of the Music Society in 2026 was on Monday 19th January. We enjoyed lunch at the Black Boy.

We were welcomed by our chairman, Babs Roberts. There were 25 present, including members and some very welcome guests. The meal was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The customary quiz took place during the meal which resulted in much laughter.



Our very generous members had provided prizes for our usual free raffle.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, 9th February at 7:30pm in the church hall for the AGM.

All welcome to join us.



Mothers' Union

"Mothers' Union recommenced on 20th January 2026, with a Eucharist in church, led by Canon Robert Davies-Hannen, Vicar of Sketty. He reflected on Jesus' words, "The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath" (Mark 2 v 37) and highlighted that God has given us the Sabbath as a day of rest and refreshment, for our good, and it is important for us to prioritise it. We then, appropriately, enjoyed a time of refreshment together, with a very welcome cup of tea and chat in the church hall, before settling down to business with our 2026 AGM, which was chaired by Babs Roberts.

We paid tribute to Margaret Massey and Gwynneth Prestwood, who died in 2025. Fran Steadman was re-elected as Branch Leader, Secretary and Treasurer. Sandra Banks and Babs Rowe have retired from the committee. Thanks to them for their service. They have been replaced on the committee by Sally Bowen and Beryl Claybrooke.

We are looking forward to the year ahead, with our next meeting on 17th February 2026 at 2.30 pm, a Bring and Share Mid - Winter tea party. Visitors are always very welcome at any of our meetings, which are on the third Tuesday of the month. Do come along; you will have a warm welcome. "

*Fran Steadman
Branch Leader*

Have you got something you would like to say?

Read a good book? Seen a good film or play? Had a good holiday? Recommend a recipe? Gardening tips? Something interesting or funny happened to you? Tell us about it.



You can either hand in your contribution to Geraldine or myself or e-mail to rogerrees134@gmail.com and we will share them in the magazine.

Articles for the magazine can be submitted by the date printed in the magazine to enable publication the following month.

*Thank you
Roger*

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God in the Sciences

by Dr Ruth M. Bancewicz, Ruth writes on the positive relationship between Science and Christian faith.

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

Every person who ever lived was once a sperm and an egg. Those two cells fused together, and in nine months they turned into a living, breathing, human being. Each of us emerged from this same embryonic development process, which is highly complex and organised, but variable enough to turn out a unique individual every time.

If you like order – such as neat piles of stationery, or tidy colour-coded files – you will enjoy this story. One of the most important stages of an embryo's development is when each section of the body, from head to rump, takes on its identity. Each part is told what shape to take, and which limbs or internal organs to grow: legs or arms, lungs or kidneys, and so on.

The most beautiful part of this body-patterning process is that it brings the dimensions of time and space together in such a neat way. The DNA instructions for the procedure, known as genes, are organised in the order in which they are needed during development *which is also* the order in which they appear on the body. No other sets of genes are known to be arranged in such a tidy pattern.

So, as the embryo develops, the tissues near the head end activate the first sets of genes. Those active genes then make all the proteins needed for that part of the body to grow and develop in the right way. The tissues just below the head then switch on the second set of genes, and so on. A wave of activation passes down the embryo, specifying each section of the trunk in turn.

The Wisconsin-based developmental biologist Jeff Hardin often quotes Psalm 139 to express the wonder of embryonic development. The Psalmist did not understand how this process happened, but he knew that it was a marvellous thing. *"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb...your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth."*

The story of the tidy genes brings out the hidden beauty in the very early stages of embryonic development. The more biologists get to find out about how we came to be born, the more we can say, *"I am fearfully and wonderfully made"*!

Parish of Killay Magazine, 50 years ago - January 1976

Sunday School

The parish Sunday School party was held on New Year's Day and, once again, it was a tremendous success. We would like to thank the teachers for organising the games and the many helpers who provided food to satisfy the 100 or more who sat down to tea.

Cheese & Wine Evening

It is hoped to arrange a cheese and wine evening in the Church Hall on Tuesday, 24th February at 8:00pm. Tickets for this will be on sale. Further details will be announced nearer the date.

News in Brief

- We extend our congratulations to David Bowen of Wimmerfield Avenue, on passing the entrance examination for Cambridge University and being accepted to read medicine at Trinity Hall.
- The adult confirmation group will begin meeting in the Church Hall on Thursday, 12th February at 7:30pm.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism:

4th January	Claire Rebecca Doyle	7 Pen-y-Fro Close
	Steven Richard Burrows	54 Pen-y-Fro
11th January	Matthew David Pocock	41 Goetre Fach Road

Holy Matrimony:

3rd January	John Linford Rees and Helen Griffiths
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Burials:

12th January	Hannah Webber	55 Coed Lan, Three Crosses
16th January	Robert Elvey Grove	123 Goetre Fawr Road



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Wild Church January 24th 2026



Perhaps we are taking the term Wild too literally at the moment. The rain had eased but the wind decided to compensate, rather than disappoint us. As St. Cattwg's Patronal festival falls on January 24th, this was the obvious venue to host the event. Caffi Cattwg held in the church was open today, so we were able to sample real coffee, tea and the most delicious selection of homemade cakes including provision for food allergies. This also gave us an opportunity to meet and chat to local people from the area.

During the morning details of the life of St. Cattwg were playing on screen plus views of the local area. Today, the sea was rough, with waves breaking as they came in, rock pools towards the Salthouse full, the headland towards Culver Hole not looking particularly welcoming, yet every one part of our wonderful coastline and God's creation. We were invited to reflect on the life of St. Cattwg, his values, Celtic crosses, the stained-glass windows and the local area before creating blocks to print whatever images came to mind. I am not artistic in any way, so decided to attempt to recreate the WOW logo on my tile. With help and encouragement from 8-year-old Joey, one of the Wild Church regulars with his mum and dad, I did my best, but the work of so many other people particularly Dan Edy's daughters was incredible. Peter Williams, one of the congregational wardens in SW Gower recreated the story of St. Cattwg and the mouse.



Some of us decided to walk down through the village to the beach and I kept thinking of the bravery of Coxswain Billy Gibbs, Second Coxswain William Eynon and lifeboatman George Harry, three crew members of the lifeboat Janet who lost their lives on New Year's Day 1916. The Janet was launched from Port Eynon into seas similar to the ones we were looking at. The slipway can

now be seen in front of the Youth Hostel near the Salthouse.

Not venturing as far as Horton, we turned back and walked through the dunes and along the boardwalk until we reached Port Eynon. As always, thanks to Dan for all his organisation, another fun event with good company and the opportunity to make new friends in Port Eynon.

Marian Williams

St Hilary's Church Refurbished Lych Gate



The work to repair our Lych Gate at St. Hilary's has recently been completed. Creativity in service of God's Kingdom is definitely evident here. The creativity, craftsmanship and talent of Tom Banfield is superb.

The Lych Gate was blessed and Rev. Layfetta cut the ribbon at the end of our service on January 18th. Thanks to Roy Chapman for driving this project and members of the MA Property Committee for their support

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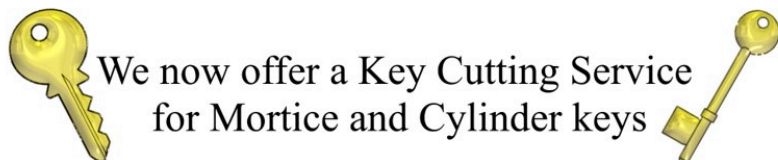


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St James the Least of All

The Rev Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-in-cheek letters from 'Uncle Eustace'

The Rectory, St James the Least of All

On the art of drinking well

My dear Nephew Darren

You closed your last letter with the remark that it was time to retire to bed with a cup of cocoa. That may be all very well for the pious intensity of a theological college - although a stiff whisky was always acceptable in my day - but it is not a style to continue once in the parish. I do feel obliged to give you a few hints about what should and should not be drunk in public as a parish priest.

Morning visits are to be discouraged, but if one is unavoidable, and you are invited to have a drink, then it has to be coffee. It is the only time of day when a mug is acceptable - provided, of course, that it is bone china or porcelain. In the afternoons one changes to tea, but only from cups. Blended varieties may be all very well for Curates in their first year, but it should be Darjeeling for an incumbent. And fruit teas are for Quakers only.

If an inappropriate vessel is offered, then the drink should be accepted, but left untouched. Since the visit will be discussed in the finest detail throughout the parish the moment you have left, your host will soon learn why and not make the same error a second time. It is for the same reason that if you ever want to circulate a piece of news round the parish as quickly as possible, never put it in the parish magazine, just mention it casually during one of your visits. Everyone will know by teatime.

Alcoholic drinks must be carefully judged. A sherry - dry, naturally - is probably best if you are invited to lunch. In the early evening, a gin and tonic would be the drink of choice. To ask for whisky would indicate that you are about to go over to Rome, and a mineral water that you have your roots in non-conformity. Beer is never, ever drunk in someone's house unless you suffer from some personal tragedy, such as being the diocesan youth chaplain.

However, an occasional beer in the pub with the bell-ringers (who will be real ale fanatics to a man) or after choir practice - which seems to be the real purpose of holding practices anyway - or as a treat for the sacristan, will show you are a man of the people. It is some years since I visited the pub.

Understanding wine should be taught at every theological college as an essential part of the ministry. Develop a taste for claret, dear boy, and you will be starting your journey towards high office.

And perhaps you should give that tin of cocoa to the vergers.

Your loving uncle,
Eustace



Sudoku

Easy

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Friday 20 February 2026

Friday 6 March 2026

Friday 24 April 2026



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St Hilary's Church Hall, Killay:
St Paul's Parish Centre, Sketty:

Tues	9:45am & 11:00am	Ladies
Tues	7:00pm	Ladies
Thurs	10:00am	Ladies

Final report of 2025 Social / Fund raising committee

Well didn't that year fly by.....Sylvia and I have been looking back at 2025. We've been a small band in the S/ FR organising committee, (namely Babs, Nansi, Angela Reed, Marian, Sylvia and Mike) and the outcome has been as follows:

March	Coffee Morning at St H Church Hall raised	£454.59
April	Charity concert at St H in aid of the local Swansea Salvation Army for community work.	£470.00
June	Wow, an amazing £2000 for MNDA (Motor Neurone Disease Association) re: Murray Davies: with a concert by the Swansea Bay Ladies Choir at St H church hall with Jonathan Lycett.	£2000
September:	Coffee Morning at Church hall realised	£642
October:	Harvest Supper with the u3a Swansea ukulele Big Band amounted to	£639.28
December:	Annual GWALIA Choir concert in church.	£629
	Annual Christmas raffle	£949
	Jamaica Hurricane Collection	£431
Phew	That came to an amazing grand total of	£6214.87

So if you helped in whatever way through the year to help make that total..all we can say is a grateful THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

So now Sylvia and I will step back and pass the baton on to our successors in this Centenary year. Good luck.

Sylvia & Mike Powell



East Cluster New Year lunch held this year at Pennard Golf Club



We ended our service outside, giving thanks for our refurbished lych gate.

Church Services: *St Hilary's & St Martin's*

FEBRUARY	ST HILARY'S KILLAY	ST MARTIN'S DUNVANT
1 Fourth Sunday of Epiphany	9.30am Bubble Church 11.00am Lay led Service <i>Followed by coffee</i>	11.00am Eucharist
5 Thursday	11.00am Eucharist	
8 Second Sunday before Lent <i>Creation Sunday</i>	11.00am Eucharist <i>Followed by coffee</i>	10.00am Lay led Service
12 Thursday	11.00am Eucharist	
15 Sunday before Lent <i>Transfiguration Sunday</i>	11.00am Eucharist <i>Followed by coffee</i>	9.00am Eucharist
19 Thursday	11.00am Eucharist	
22 First Sunday of Lent	11.00am Eucharist <i>Followed by coffee</i>	11.00am Eucharist <i>Followed by coffee</i>
26 Thursday	11.00am Eucharist	

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