

Hymn for All Saints of Wales

Can be sung to: [*Ar hyd y nos.*](#)

Pray for us and for our nation – *all saints of Wales!*
As we keep this celebration – *all saints of Wales!*
At Caerleon, Romans spurning,
Celtic monks, who treasured learning,
After Henry, for Rome yearning – *all saints of Wales!*
Julius, who died with Aaron – *two saints of Wales!*
Both were martyred at Caerleon – *two saints of Wales!*
Nothing but their names surviving,
Known to us through English scribing,
Now in heav'n, with angels thriving – *two saints of Wales!*
Came an age of saints and scholars – *great saints of Wales!*
Tending to their people's dolours – *great saints of Wales!*
German, David, all great preachers,
Illtud and his band of teachers,
Blessing all God's fragile creatures – *great saints of Wales!*
Roman ways were then forbidden – *six saints of Wales!*
Five good priests and Richard Gwyn – *six saints of Wales!*
He caved in for friends' imploring
But his craven ways abhorring
Died the faith of Rome restoring – *six saints of Wales!*
We must follow them to glory – *as saints of Wales!*
Characters in God's great story – *as saints of Wales!*
For our gospel is entralling,
Holiness is our great calling;
Tears at night, but joy at morning – *as saints of Wales!*

On feasts other than All Saints of Wales, selected verses might be omitted. Verse 2 is most appropriate for the celebration of the Protomartyrs of Wales, verse 3 for the Celtic Saints of the 5th-7th Centuries, and verse 4 for the Reformation martyrs.



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