Timeline of Events concerning St Hywyn's Church and Ynys Enlli (Bardsey Island)

359 Council of Rimini. C5th/6th Tombstones of Veracius & Senacus at Capel Anelog. Engan, Prince of Wales gifts Bardsey to Cadfan and his followers. 6th century Dyfrig ordains Samson a bishop. 521/2 Burial of Dyfrig on Enlli. Before 600 1011 Death of a Monk of Enlli. 1066 Norman invasion. c.1090-1110 Elgar is a Hermit on Enlli. Gryffydd ap Cynan ab Iago escapes to Ireland helped by the Canons of Aberdaron. 1094 Caradog the Hermit visits Elgar on Enlli. 1105 Gryffydd ap Rhys ap Tewdor escapes to South Wales helped by Canons of Aberdaron. 1115 1120 Relics of Dyfrig and Elgar removed to Llandaf. Caradog the Hermit dies. 1124 Death of Gryffydd ap Cynan ab Iago and Meilir the poet. 1137 Gerald of Wales mentions the very holy monks of Enlli. 1188 1195 - 1201/2 The Monastery on Enlli becomes a house of Augustinian Canons. The Prior of "the Isle of Saints" is sent to St David's to represent Llewelyn Fawr. 1202 1212 Maredydd ap Cynan dies. Death of Llewelyn Fawr. 1240 The Agreement is signed between the Canons of Enlli and their tenants and the Canons of Aberdaron. 1252 Career of Llewelyn ap Gruffydd begins in earnest. 1255 Treaty of Montgomery: Llewelyn recognised as Prince of Wales by Henry III. 1267 Edward I succeeds to the English throne with ambitions for a United Kingdom through conquest of Wales and Scotland. 1272 1282 Death of Llewelyn II Ein Llyn Olaf at Cilmeri. July 1282 Edward I visits Enlli. October 1284 War damages are distributed. Permission given to the Abbey to obtain timber on the mainland. 1305 The Community with royal help fights illegal claims. 1313 A Canon of Enlli is elected to be Prior of Ynys Seiriol. 1316 1346 Canon Gregory of Eglwys Cadell succeeds Kenric as Abbot of Enlli.

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Pirates raid the island.

1349	The Black Death reaches Wales.
1377	Gervase ap David succeeds as Abbot of Enlli.
1384	The Community seeks financial help from the King.
1388	Canon Ifan ap Bleddyn is pardoned for theft.
1400-1415	The revolt of Owain Glyndor.
1401	"Bardsey is taken by the Scots".
1464	Grant of Prayers by Robert Abbot of Enlli.
1509	John Conway of Mellteyrn last Abbot of Bardsey.
May 1537	The Dissolution of the Monasteries.
•	The Island leased from the Crown to Ralph Body and Thomas Jones.
1547	David Jones, son or near relative of Thomas Jones, takes over the lease.
1558	Sion Wyn ap Huw (Bodfel) takes possession.
15??	A would-be pilgrim comes to the notice of Elizabeth I's Secret Service.
1778	Thomas Pennant's Tour in Wales published, with illustrations by Moses Griffith.
Late 1700's	Bardsey bought from Rev Dr Wilson of Newark by Sir John Wynne of Glynllifon.
1821	Lighthouse built on Enlli.
1835	A school is established at the west end of the south nave of St Hywyn's Church.
1841	St Hywyn's Church is abandoned as a place of worship.
	The New Church was built accompanied by protests concerning its poor architectural style.
1848 - 1868	The old church is restored. The Architect was Henry Kennedy of Bangor.
1868	The restoration is completed and the Sea Wall built by local people.
1875	Completion of the Methodist Chapel on Enlli.
1889	Sir Spencer Bulkeley Wynn, 3rd Baron Newborough buried on Enlli.
Oct 26 1901	The Church Bell, given by Mrs Carreg of Carreg Plas, is hung.
1906	Further restoration to St Hywyn's Church including the laying of a wooden floor.
	The churchyard is increased in size onto land given by Claude Lloyd Edwards of Nanhoron. The old Lime Kiln by the gate is removed.
July 10 1906	St Hywyn's Church re-opens as a place of worship.
1947	School on Enlli closes.
1953	Bird and Field Observatory established at Cristin on Enlli.
1978	Bardsey Island Trust appeals for £200,000 to buy Enlli.
July 15 1978	Prince Charles visits the island.
1979	Bardsey bought by the Bardsey Island Trust.
2003	Ty Encil Carreg Retreat House project leases Ty Carreg on Enlli from the Bardsey Island Trust.
Sept 2005	Restoration of St Hywyn's begins. Re-pointing and re-plastering of walls, replacement of ceiling panels, repair to the roof, drainage etc.
	The vestry was returned to its original position at the west end of the south aisle, the font was moved and access to the church improved.
July 9 2006	Re-Dedication and Blessing of St Hywyn's Church and Celebration of the Centenary of the 1906 Restoration.