

# “Of Ash and Seed”

The Silent Eye’s Winter pre-solstic event. Isle of Anglesey Friday 2nd - Sunday 4th December, 2016

**inevitability - acceptance - seed**

The ancient island of Anglesey, off the north-west corner of Wales, was the last outpost of the Druid civilisation. The Druids were a mysterious people, essentially a priestly layer of society who were revered for their learning, diplomacy and spiritual leadership. The Romans feared them, greatly, and resolved to exterminate them and their authority...

The beautiful island of Anglesey was their final outpost. Môn, its ancient name, was the place to which the last Druids fled as their world was ending.

What is it like to know that your world is coming to an end? (*continued top right*)



Some walking, some talking...  
Some dedicated quiet and reflection.  
Lots of coffee! Good food and maybe  
a glass of wine... or two...  
... and great companionship!

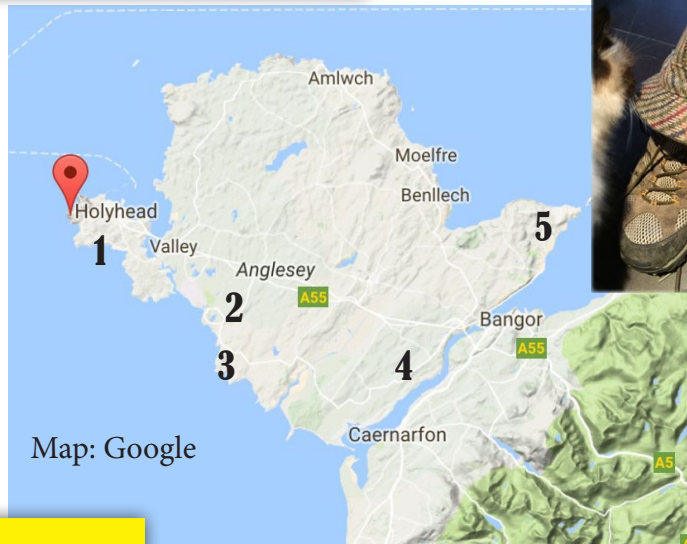
In what ways do you and your loved ones gather your thoughts and feelings so that the end is meaningful? The Silent Eye’s 2016 December weekend will explore this - not in a mournful or negative way, but, by relating it to our own lives, which are similarly finite. We will, mentally and emotionally, step into the Druid world, spending the weekend exploring their twilight under such themes as: inevitability, acceptance and surrender to a greater destiny...

We will be based in Trearddur Bay. Our plans for the weekend will be flexible—given the time of year and the possibility of inclement weather. Although Anglesey is noted for its mild climate, wet-weather footwear and clothing is essential, as is a sense of humour!

(1) **Holyhead Mountain/South Stack.** An intact neolithic village set in a dramatic landscape, and overlooking the stone steps down to the RSPB island of South Stack.

(2) **Ty Newydd.** Set in the corner of a field a hundred metres from Abberfraw road, this dolmen is a very special outlier of a former age. We will use its privacy for a private ritual.

(3) **Barclodiad Y Gawres Burial Chamber Cable Bay.** This spectacular and intact chamber is on a clifftop overlooking Cable Bay.



- **Companionship**
- **Fun, but purposeful...**
- **Opening to ancient landscapes**
- **Mystical discussions**
- **Informal way to meet us**
- **Preparation for Winter Solstice**

(4) **Bryn Celli Ddu** (The mound in the dark grove)  
One of the best-known prehistoric monuments on the island. A wholly intact burial mound which can be entered.

(5) **Penmon Priory and St Seiriol’s Well.**  
Although not pre-historic, Penmon and the Beaumaris area are rich in Roman and Celtic history. The perfect coffee-stop, also!



**Why not join us?** Register your interest via email to [rivingtide@gmail.com](mailto:rivingtide@gmail.com)

Cost of weekend is £50.00 per person, not including hotel and meals. [www.thesilenteye.co.uk](http://www.thesilenteye.co.uk)