

CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

LISTED BUILDING	Church at St. John, Woodfield Street, Morryston, Swansea
Grade:-	II
Date of Notification:-	30.09.93
National Grid Reference:-	SS 6693097670
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Notes:-

On island at crossroads of Woodfield Street and Morfydd Street.

Church consecrated 10 July 1862, replacing late C18 church on site. By R K Penson, diocesan architect. Brown random rubble, bathstone dressings, slate roofs. Tower added circa 1872. Aligned N-2, with 4 bay nave, chancel, east aisle (projected west aisle not built), and porch, tower. Victorian Gothic style.

Exterior:-

East elevation has clerestorey lancets, aisle with 2-light window to left return, gabled porch (roof sweeps down to right over Store) Gothic doorway, boarded doors with elaborate strap hinges, to right of porch, two 2-light windows separated by buttress. At angle between aisle and chancel, embattled tower has stair turret to north east corner with steep polygonal roof, pinnacles to other corners, 2-light louvered windows to bell stage, lancets to north and south but round window to E, lancets to ground floor, buttresses, and small window to splay.

Chancel has doorway with lancet to left, 2-light window to right, north end has 3-light chancel window with geometrical tracery, roof sweeps over vestry to west (small Gothic window to north return). Small trefoil window to apex of nave gable above chancel. Plain west wall of nave (window to north) with relieving arches and clerestorey lancets, chimney to north. South end has stepped buttresses, and 2-light window with quatrefoil, wall to L is toothed for unbuilt aisle.

Interior:-

Simple interior. Arch braced roof to nave, scissor trusses to chancel. Plastered walls with painted stone dressings. Segmental heads to clerestorey windows. Alternating round and octagonal piers to aisle arcade. Steps up to chancel. South bay of aisle and base of tower partitioned for kitchen/storage.

References:-

Eglwys Sant Ioan, Treforys, 1989