

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News Sheet : 7th -14th Sept CREATIONTIDE. 12th after Trinity Proper 18

THE NATIONAL WEEK OF PRAYER

To book a slot to be part of the all Island prayer vigil please contact Jan Kirkham: 496335: jankirkham@manx.net or book directly on: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1UFMFRFifiTPsLGE1e6V6O6hBodfIBXr2N7ZfviJbt8/htmlview>

We remember before God all those in our communities who are vulnerable or struggling: the isolated and lonely; single parents, young adults and children, those who are ill or depressed, the stressed and anxious; the poor and needy; those facing financial pressures; those grieving the loss of a loved one. We pray that they may know God's presence with them and be comforted.

In this National Week of Prayer we pray for our Island, that it will maintain its fundamental ethos of Community, Hospitality, Generosity, Truth, Compassion and Integrity. That, in a changing world it will be true to its rich heritage of Manx Culture and be effective stewards of our precious "Gem of God's Earth."

We pray for our World: Giving thanks for the richness of diversity, people and culture, for the amazing resilience, vision, energy and commitment of so many worldwide, who strive to be in Gods Kingdom of Love here on earth. **We pray for World Leaders**, and all who carry responsibility, that they will know that Spirit of Love, and have the courage and faith to be true to its guidance; to demand right action and bring about justice and equality in our world. **And we pray for Peace**, for peace in the heart and soul of humankind, that we may be one with our maker and with one another.

Today's Readings Deuteronomy 30.15-20
Philemon 1-21

Psalm 1
Luke 14.25-33

Living Life fully

As things get darker in our world today there's a lot of talk about "living life to the full", of making the most of what we have. It seems to be assumed in some way to mean, taking more holidays, wining and dining, enjoying more leisure and pleasure!? In a speech about Climate Change in 2023 the then Archbishop of Canterbury, Justine Welby, said : *The moral crisis of climate change is an opportunity to find purpose and joy, and to respond to our creator's charge. Reducing the causes of climate change is essential to the life of faith. It is a way to love our neighbor, and to steward the gift of creation.* Whether it be Climate change, Increasing hatred and War, injustice, increase in drug related crime, whatever..... he is basically saying that the building up of the dark clouds on the horizon calls for a more active and positive shining of light. In our teaching today Jesus talks a hard lesson of the choice of discipleship. There are no false promises. In His call to commitment He makes it abundantly clear that true discipleship; living His way, comes at personal cost, and that we should be fully aware of that before we make a commitment to follow Him. Ours is not to be an easy journey; Jesus relates it to His own journey of the cross. For those who love God, living life more fully is fully engaging in His Selfless way of Love. neighbours

Thoughts to ponder.....

"I have walked that long road to freedom. But I can only rest for a moment, for with freedom come responsibilities,..... It was the desire for the freedom of my people to live their lives with dignity and self-respect that animated my life, that transformed a frightened young man into a bold one, that drove a law abiding attorney to become a criminal, that turned a family-loving husband into a man without a home... I am no more virtuous or self-sacrificing than the next man, but I found that I could not even enjoy the poor and limited freedoms I was allowed when I knew my people were not free."

Nelson Mandela

Sunday Services for next week : 14th Sept : The 13th Sunday after Trinity

Refreshments are served after all these services, please stay for a cuppa and enjoy a natter

Kirk Patrick: 10.30 am : Morning prayer
Glen Maye: 10.30 am : Morning Worship
Dalby: 6.30 pm : Holy Communion

Robert Quayle
Bert Quayle
The Very Revd. Nigel Godfrey

Local Ministers for Patrick: Graham McAll : 840813 & Robert Quayle : 842912

Wardens: Clare Quayle 417583 & Kenny Diack 316316

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Weekly Diary 2025

***Anyone is very welcome
to come to any of these events.....***

- Mon 8th -14Sept : the National week of Prayer,
- **Mon 8th -14th Sept** (excluding the morning of Wednesday 10th) **Dalby Church and Garden will be available as an Open Prayer space** for anyone who wants to drop by and stay a while in the silence and peace of the place. Prayer resources and refreshments will be available throughout the day from 10 am - 6pm.
- **Wed 10th : Dalby Ducklings from 10am – 11.30am.** Please note, this is by booking only please contact Cheryl for details.
- **Thurs 11th: Meditation at Dalby from 7.30pm – 9.00pm.** Open to anyone seeking a deeper inner stillness and calm, following the Practice of WCCM: the World Community of Christian Meditation. All welcome, you don't need to have had any previous experience of meditation to join us.
- **Fri 12th : Amnesty International's Isle of Man branch** has been holding vigils outside the **Sefton Hotel on Douglas Promenade** every Friday to show solidarity with the Palestinian people. Open for all to join them from 7.00pm. NB> These gatherings are moments of solidarity and reflection, not demonstrations
- **Sat 13th Island Spirituality Network- at St John's Mill, 10am-1pm.** The speaker will be Stephen Hoyland from the Jesuit Institute, retreat leader, spiritual accompanier and spirituality outreach worker. His theme will be "Who do you say that I am? – Jesus who turns up in our prayers" All welcome. We look forward as always to welcoming you and sharing fellowship. As usual, our suggested donation is £10 but is entirely voluntary.
- **Tues 16th: St John's Methodist Church will be showing "The Chosen" at 7:00pm** (to run every Tuesday for 6 weeks)- a ground breaking series about Jesus' ministry. It will take the format of video and conversation and is for anyone who is curious, new to faith or has faith. All are welcome. For more info contact either Revd Jo Smart : 842202, johanna.smart@methodist.org.im or Revd Joanna Fisher j.fisher@icloud.com 07624 412915 or Fiona Collier Fiona.Collier.Methodist@gmail.com.
- **'An Evening for Palestine' - 19th Sept.** 7pm. Music, poetry and the spoken word at the Laxey Institute. All the proceeds will be going to Medical Aid for Palestine (MAP). Tickets can be ordered at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/an-evening-for-palestine-tickets-1566587608709?>

Fairtrade Fortnight 22nd Sept- 5th Oct: Make this a diary date! All FT Churches & Chapels are asked to mark FT Fortnight in some way as part of their FT status: a coffee morning, talk, cake stall, supper.... whatever; it's once again time to celebrate the quiet revolution of Justice that Fairtrade brings for poor farmers in the majority world ... one cup of tea at a time!!

Tues 23rd Sept : Isle of Man Cyber Security Centre a talk at 2.00pm at the Cathedral: All members of Congregations and local Communities are invited to a presentation by Isle of Man Cyber Security Centre following on from concerns raised about fraudulent emails and online scams. The presentation is specifically designed for an audience aged 65 and over. Light refreshments served 2.15pm 40 minute presentation.

Sun 28th Sept: Amnesty IOM are co-hosting an event during Manx Litfest - Susie Alegre will be giving a talk about her latest book "Human Rights, Robot Wrongs: Being Human in the Age of AI" at Keyll Darree lecture theatre on the Nobles Hospital site at 10am.

The Lord's Prayer Exhibition at the Cathedral from 9.00am - 5.30pm daily Soundscape of the Lord's Prayer in the Cathedral, lasts about 1 hour 30 mins with . the Lord's Prayer in many languages spoken by migrants to the Isle of from 172 countries. The Lord's Prayer is also sung and discussed. There are banners around the Cathedral which accompany this. Open to everyone

Sat 4th October – The Manx Museum will hold a conference on the 250th Anniversary of the Manx Bible. <https://www.christiantoday.com/news/celebrating-250-years-of-the-manx-bible>



Eco Corner: Caring for God's Creation.:

What we can do to help maintain biodiversity :

Sprinkling some rocks: of the world's more

than 20,000 bee species between 64% and 83% nest in the ground. Researchers conducted an experiment to find how native bees responded to different nest materials, and found that sprinkling rocks and gravel over the soil resulted in the greatest increase in nests. Different bee species need different environments to survive.

Sprinkling some seeds: sometime all a vacant plot or empty lot needs to boost its biodiversity value is seeds! Researchers recently found that patches of wildflowers in cities can be just as good for insects as natural meadows. Collect and dry seeds from wild flowers that already grow in your garden, or buy native seeds or packets of seeds of plants that naturally grow in your area. A good sprinkling system is to use an old spice shaker for sowing flowering species in neglected spots!

If you'd like to have information in this news sheet could you please send it through to Cheryl by Thursday: chervlcousins@manx.net Manx thanks.