Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News Sheet. 7-14th Dec. 2nd Sunday in Advent

We welcome you to our church this week, it's lovely to have you with us .

Our thanks go to those who have helped set up our churches and are involved in leading worship

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.

As the weather turns colder, we hold before God the Homeless on the Island, those who are sleeping rough on the streets, as well as those in their own homes facing fuel poverty, unable to stay warm. We give thanks for the work of charities and organisations helping the homeless on the Island, for their outreach and work in journeying alongside those in need. And we particularly remember those who are housebound and lonely who rarely aet out and who face the long evenings alone.

Peace in homes and families, amongst friends, between neighbours, spouses and partners, peace with work colleagues, sports groups, teenage tribes, children in the playground, professional partnerships, and Politicians. Peace across national boundaries of culture, faith, gender, colour, language, and identity. Peace in each and every encounter each and every day. **Prayer for Peace**: *To* the home of Peace, to the field of Love, to the land where forgiveness and right relationship meet, we look O God, with longing for earth's children; with compassion for the creatures; with hearts breaking for the nations and people we love. Open us to visions we have never known, strengthen us for self-givings we have never made, delight us with a Oneness we could never have imagined. Amen.

In this second week of advent our prayer focus is

on Peace. Peace in the hearts and souls of all people.

Todays Readings Isaiah 11.1-10 Romans 15.4-13 Psalm 72.1-7,18,19* Matthew 3.1-12

The way of peace

world that seems stretched to breaking point with tension, aggression, terrorism and war, this week, the Second Sunday of Advent, we focus on peace. The heart of God. The Creator of all things calls us into unity with Him. And the pathway to this? ... Is through unity with one another. The very concept of mans' alienation to one another is an anathema to Him. He created us not only as brothers and sisters, but as part of the wholeness of His vision of the interconnectedness of Creation. We are preparing to welcome into our hearts the "Prince of Peace" and so the practice of peace, is the hallmark of Christ's disciples. Few of us are in a position to have any influence over the strategies of war, nor are we often called upon to be peace-makers over the disputes of others, but we are all invited to dwell in the inner peace of God that we may know and be that peace in in our lives. There was a song written in the 1950's with the poignant words of prayer for our hearts: " Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me ". It is the only way we will bring peace to our world.

Thoughts to ponder

Ultimately, we have just one moral duty: to reclaim large areas of peace in ourselves, more and more peace, and to reflect it towards others. And the more peace there is in us, the more peace there will be in our troubled world. Etty Hillesum

First keep peace within yourself, then you can also bring peace to others.

Thomas à Kempis

A great many people are trying to make peace, but that has already been done. God has not left it for us to do; all we have to do is enter into it. Dwight L. Moody

Sunday Services for next week: 14th December. 3rd Sunday of Advent

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

Kirk Patrick: 10.30 am : **Morning Worship Robert Quayle & Andy**

Glen Maye: **Candlelit Carol Service** 6:30 pm

Dalby: 6.30 pm : **Taize Worship Cheryl Cousins**

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

Safe Guarding Officer: Sarah Hedley: 361763 Wardens: Clare Quayle 417583 & Kenny Diack 316316 Minister for Glen Maye: Rev'd Johanna Smart: 842202 & Rev'd Dr Janet Corlett 07624 301910

> Steward: Paul Craker: 845681. **Secretary:** Julia Sharples 840801.

Local Minister for Dalby: Cheryl Cousins: 843471

Wardens: Margy Killey:843768. & Pauline Killey 843494

Safe Guarding Officer: Paul Bergin 869306



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

An invitation to journey through Advent with Bishop Tricia.

This year we are invited to share in the unfolding of Advent through four short videos based on ancient Advent themes of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. These videos, presented by Bishop Tricia will be realised one by one each week in Advent. *Please note*:

These Advent resources are available to all via the Diocesan website and social media

- Mon 8th Dec: Season 5 of The Chosen at Dalby: Episode 8. At 7.30pm in the schoolrooms... Everyone welcome to join us.
- **Wed 10th**: Dalby Ducklings 10.00am 11.30am. Please contact Cheryl, booking is in advance only,
- Thurs 11th: Meditation at Dalby, a journey into inner stillness and silence, following the practice of WCCM (The World Community of Christian Meditation). Everyone welcome, you don't need to have meditated before to join us.
- Sat 13th: An invitation to join Amnesty
 International IoM in vigil near the Green Centre
 (behind the Strand shopping centre). In the light of
 no ceasefire and no peace in Gaza and the
 continuing ongoing suffering and slaughter of the
 people there, the vigils will continue to take place
 every Saturday from 12 1pm. Hot drinks are
 available in the Green Centre. All are welcome.
- Sat 13th: Films at Dalby at 7.30pm: The Salt Path. 1hr 55 mins, Cert 12A. Mainly based on a true story: As Ray and Moth are on the cusp of retirement, they lose their home and savings in one unlucky swoop. To make things worse Moth is diagnosed with a rare and terminal neurodegenerative disease. The distraught couple begin a journey on the Salt Path. The 630-mile trail runs along the English coast from Dorset to Somerset with beautiful scenery, unexpectedly profound moments of insight, deep realizations about each other, and natural wonders, Moth and Ray discover a new definition of "home." NB> contains some strong language. Refreshments will be provided, feel free to bring your own wine / beer. No need to book, donations to cover costs are very much appreciated.

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





Christmas Services and Events

- Sat. 13th Cathedral Concerts at 7.30pm Isle of Man Wind Orchestra
- Sun 14th 3.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols at the Cathedral.
- Sun 14th: Candlelit Carol Service at Glen Maye Methodist Chapel Sunday at 6.30pm with Revd Jo Smart. Followed by tea & mince pies! Everyone welcome.
- Sun 14th: Taize by Candle-light, a quiet reflective service at Dalby. 6.30pm
 - Mon 15th: The Gathering at Dalby . an invitation to come join us for our monthly Gathering this Monday (the 3rd Monday of every month) in the schoolrooms, starting with a bring & share Supper at 7.00pm. A time for us to chill and catch up with one another, and explore developing Community together. Anyone wanting to journey a deeper discipleship practice and shared rhythm of Life is always welcome to join us
- Tues 16th: Carol singing through Dalby from 6.00pm. Anyone welcome to join us! In aid of Hospice IoM. Please contact Cheryl for more info.
- Wed 17th: Dalby Soup Stop. 12.30 1.30pm
- Thursday 18th: The Nativity Film at Dalby.
 7.00pm 9.00pm. Open to everyone to come and see.
- Fri 19th. 6:30 pm Christmas in the Barn,
 Ballacreggan Farm, Glen Maye (Revd Jo Smart)
- Sun 21st 10:30 am Sensations Nativity . Peel Chapel
- Sun 21st: Community Carols in the schoolrooms at Dalby starting at 5.30-pm with Hot punch & mince pies
- Sun 21st 6:00 pm Gobbag Nativity Outdoors. Peel Chapel.
- Wed 24th ; 5.30pm Crib and Christingle service at the Cathedral.
- Wed 24th: Christmas Eve: Come Gather at Bethlehem a family meeting place at the crib, 6.00pm at Dalby.
- Wed 24th. Christmas Eve: Midnight Communion at Dalby 11.00pm.
- Wed 24th: At the Cathedral: 11.30pm Midnight Mass
- Thurs 25th: 830am. . BCP Communion Service 10.30am Christmas Communion Service.