

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheets : 8th – 15th Feb. 2nd Sunday Before Lent

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 in our communities who are vulnerable or struggling : the elderly, the isolated and lonely; single parents; 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.

We hold before God those who are affected by the storms and winter weather; remembering particularly the farming community with stock in the fields, as well as those who face fuel poverty struggling to keep their homes adequately warm, and those who are homeless, and sleeping rough at this time . We remember those affected by ferry cancellations, and the logistics of maintaining a supply chain to the Island. And pray that as church and chapel communities we may be there to help and support those in need.

We hold before God the people of Ukraine

where they have been experiencing winter weather temperatures of -20°C (-4°F), alongside continued airstrikes on critical infrastructure. Thousands of people have been left without, or with limited, electricity, gas or electric heating in high-rise apartment buildings, and some areas have no water. We pray for the resilience and courage of aid agencies and churches working in such extreme temperatures, who continue to serve those in need, we pray for their protection as they seek to help others, and for the end of attacks on essential infrastructure. We continue to pray for a sincere and compassionate humanitarian response to peace, that a nation, a culture, a people, may be able to live their lives as free people knowing God's Healing presence with them as they are restored to their land.

Todays Readings

Genesis 1.1 – 2.3

Romans 8.18–25

Psalm 136

Matthew 6.25–34

Be focused on kingdom living

As our world claims to be more "developed" it seems that it comes with increased anxiety, fear, stress and insecurity. We're increasingly aware of the debilitating impact of mental health issues, and yet we seem to be on a roller coaster of a continuation of more of the same, marketed and endorsed as progress. The wisdom of a man from Galilee is so relevant to our world today, if we would just slow down long enough to listen. He speaks of the negative impact of stress and recommends that we seek to focus our attention on all that is good and true and beautiful in this world; focus on the flower, the bird, the grasses of the field. Focus on Creation, the blessings of God's Kingdom here on earth. See it as a gift of our Father's Love for us. Slow down, look, care, nurture and adore. Jesus was a great teacher of Mindful Awareness, recognising that as we relate to the things of God, so our inner souls are blessed and our "perceived needs" loose their hold on us, that we may become One in Him.

Thoughts to ponder

"Love is the great pervasive energy of creation, and it is this universal energy of love that unites the inner and the outer worlds of our existence... the same love that is in our own deepest core... is the love that surrounds us and pervades all external reality."

Fr. Laurence Freeman OSB

"In nature, God offers me the way to listen more carefully. How glorious is your name, O Lord, in all the earth. The works of your hands all tell of your Love

Ignatian Spirituality

Sunday Services for next week : 15th February. Sunday next before Lent

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

Kirk Patrick: 10.30 am : Holy Communion

Graham McAll & Revd. John Gulland

Glen Maye: 10.30 am : Congregational Praise

Cheryl Cousins

Dalby: 6.30pm : Taize Worship

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

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

Weekly Diary Dates 2026

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

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- **Tuesday 10th : The Chosen - Season 2 at St John's Methodist Church starting at 7:00 pm.** The format is video and conversation and is for the curious, new to faith, those who have a faith, box-set lovers. All are welcome. If you would like more details then please contact either Revd Jo Smart johanna.smart@methodist.org.im or Revd Joanna Fisher j.fisher00@icloud.com.
- **Tues 10th Western Mission Partnership meeting at Marown**
- **Wed 11th Dalby Ducklings 10 am – 11.30 ,** sorry this is fully booked at the moment.
- **Thur 12th: Meditation at Dalby; 7.30 - 9.00pm.** An invitation to come journey into a deeper inner stillness and silence following the Practice of WCCM: (World Community of Christian Meditation). This is open to anyone, you don't need to have meditated previously to join us.
- **Sat 14th: Island Spirituality Network St John's Mill, 10am-1pm,** with Professor David Wilkinson of Durham University as guest speaker. David holds doctorates in both Theoretical Astrophysics and Systematic Theology and his theme for the morning will be "How does God act in the world? Science, miracles and mission." All are welcome. Our suggested voluntary donation is £10
- **Saturday Night Movies at Dalby screening the contemporary Classic " Rain Man."** with Tom Cruise & Dustin Hoffman Cert 15. Winner of 4 Academy Awards. Everyone welcome, no need to book in advance, there'll be refreshments but feel free to bring your own wine / beer. Donations much appreciated. *Thank you!*
- Sun 15th : NB> please note the Snowdrop Tea at Dalby is now fully booked.

It's Shrove Tuesday on 17th February and time for a Pancake and Quiz Night at Patrick! You are invited to come and join in the fun at 7pm, in the Knockaloe Exhibition Centre (So that we have a rough idea of how many pancakes to make, please text Jenny on 383399) Cost: £5 per adult £2 per child (a card reader will be available)

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

Mars at The Cathedral

- **Mon 9th : Peel Cathedral at 7 pm, " This house believes"** The event will start with a rendition of David Bowie's "Life on Mars", and end with a premiere performance of "Yn Mitternacht" ("At Midnight") by Matthew Warren, both sung by the Tallis Consort
- **Isle of Man Schools Debating** will hold a competition beneath "Mars" between debating teams from Ballakermeen High School and St Ninian's School. .Their motion: "This house believes that Mars Exploration is humanity's most important scientific endeavour" While the judges are deliberating, the recent Youth Bard, Nehall Kilari, will perform a piece he has written for the occasion. All are welcome, entry is free.
- **Tues 10th** : Quiet night, closing after a short service of Compline at 21:00
- **Wed: 11:** 19:30 The Search for God: can science help? Dr David Wilkinson (Free)
- **Thurs 12th :** 19:00 Dinner + after dinner talk: Life on Mars? Aliens, human colonies and imagination by Reverend Professor David Wilkinson (Filbey's catering)
- **Fri 13th :** 19:00 Poetry with Bradley Chambers, the 11th Manx Bard 1
- **Sat 14th 4 February** 19:30 Caarjyn Cooijagh Graih as Caggey (Songs of Love and War) (Free)
- **Sun 15th :** 18:30 Sound Bath with Amy Howse

For a full programme of day and evening events please see the flyers distributed to churches and chapels, some of the above are tickets events, others welcome donations to help cover costs.

NB>> 14th April: : Manx Wildlife Trust : No Trees No Seas: a Special film screening and Q&A at Peel Centenary Centre at 7.30pm with Carl Rowlinson, co-founder of Plant One Cornwall and the storyteller behind the ground-breaking No Trees, No Seas campaign. Discover the powerful new science showing how restoring forests can revive our oceans, bringing back fish stocks, restoring kelp and seagrass, and even reversing plankton decline. Carl's work has sparked a wave of interest across the UK, highlighting the deep connection between our landscapes and the sea, and why tree restoration is critical for climate and nature recovery. Expect an inspiring evening of film, ideas and hope, plus the chance to ask Carl your questions about rewilding, Celtic rainforest restoration, and how reconnecting land and sea can transform nature's future. Book now to avoid disappointment: Admission £10, suggested additional donation £5. Contact: enquiries@mwt.im