

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheets : -12 -19th April 2nd Sunday of Easter



We pray for Christ's resurrected Light to flood into our lives, and the lives of all those in our communities who are vulnerable or struggling: the elderly, the isolated and lonely; single parents; young families, 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, that their hearts may be lifted, and their burden lessened. And we hold before God all our farming community during this lambing season that, as they work in this cold, stormy weather, they may find their strength in Him.

We pray for the Light of Christ's Love and Peace to flood into the hearts and minds of the leaders of our world, that they may experience the transformation of the Risen Christ in their lives, and change their way of carnage, to His Way of peace and reconciliation. And we hold before God all Spiritual leaders of this world that they may unite in Prayer for Peace, to have the courage and integrity to show guidance and speak with wisdom and truth against the current waves of man's inhumanity to man, and the devastation of the natural world, that there may again be a spiritual healing of our world.

Today's Readings.

Acts 2.14a, 22-32
1 Peter 1.3-9

Psalm 16
John 20.19-end

A dawning reality

For many of us change, in any form, can seem alarming; our response is often fear or denial. It takes a while for the truth to sink in whether good news or bad news, the unexpected challenges our mind sets. We are often locked in our habitual ways of thinking and new concepts can seem to threaten us. In our teaching today we witness just that; Thomas' denial of the presence of the Risen Christ. In our own faith journey as "Easter people", we've sung the Alleluia's of the Easter hymns, filled the churches with flowers, and bid the world a Happy Easter. But has the truth of what we are witnessing truly awakened our souls? In the reading from Acts we see the outward transformation, of the inner faith of the disciples as they now witness their Love of God. Our Lenten journey and pilgrimage of Holy Week doesn't end with Easter, it is the beginning of the blossoming of change that Love can bring as long as our . . . doubts, fears and insecurities don't stand in its way.

Thoughts to ponder

Faith is not only daring to believe, it is also daring to act. When I believe in myself as a son of God, I attribute to all people the same quality. This goes for people of every class, creed and colour. The proof that I believe this way will be measured by the way I act towards others. . . . To me God is all the goodness in the universe, available to me here and now, and it is up to me to help convert that goodness into action. "God is love," but He is infinitely more than that. God is love, hope, courage, good will, peace-- He is all the eternal, everlasting, indestructible values of ongoing creative life. With God underneath my life I have the faith to build toward the stars. Wilferd A. Peterson

Sunday Services for next week : 19th April 2nd Sunday of Easter

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

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Revd. Andy Fishburne
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Weekly Diary Dates 2026

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

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- **Mon 13th : Coastal Bird Workshop and walk to Niarbyl, run by Manx Birdlife in conjunction with Dalby Church.** 9.00 am – 12noon, meeting at Dalby Schoolrooms. An all Age / Family workshop; suitable for individuals, couples, kids & grand children, please note all children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Come learn more about sea birds using binoculars and take part in some creative beach activities. All welcome, £3 for children and £5 for Adults; there'll be flap-jack snacks on the beach. Please note booking in advance only please contact Anna Graham : anna@manxbirdlife.im There alternative bird activities in Dalby schoolrooms if the weather is wet.
- **Wed 15th: Dalby Soup Stop serving from 12.30 – 1.30pm** with homemade soups, bread cakes, tea & coffee. No need to book, open to anyone. Donations to cover costs are always much appreciated.
- **Thurs 16th : Cooull Chapel Simple Lunches from 12 -2 pm.** Homemade soups and desserts followed by tea or coffee are available @£8 for Chapel funds. A warm welcome for good food and fellowship
- **Fri 17th : Village Social Games Evening at Glen Maye Community Centre 7pm-9pm.** Join us for fun, hospitality and chat. Board Games, Jigsaw Puzzles, Skittles, Snooker, Table Football, and Table Tennis. Only £1 / Person (Tea/Soft Drinks Included). All Ages Welcome.
- **Sat 18th : Celebration of Life and Service of Thanksgiving for Eileen Jones at 11am at Dalby Church** , followed by refreshments in the schoolrooms. Family flowers only please, any donations in lieu of flowers please to Hospice IoM

The Chosen at St Johns Methodist Chapel : – starts up again on Tuesday 28th April at 7:00 pm . with Season 3 starting. 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

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

Climate Stewards : The empty tomb we celebrated on Easter Sunday reminds us that although we see brokenness within and without creation, we know it will one day be repaired as part of God's greater purposes to reconcile and unite all things in Christ. This plan is already in motion and we have both the solemn duty and joy of taking part right on our doorstep by living '*sharefully*', '*carefully*', and '*prayerfully*' - doing what we do to live lightly and allow people and planet to flourish.

Over the 40 days of Lent we : reconnected with Nature: Practiced contentment; Considered where our treasure lies; Understood our footprint; Ditched our cars; Unplugged from wasting energy and Scrolled less..... all the while praying for Climate decision makers and supporting the climate vulnerable, knowing God has promised to make everything new, from the bedrock to the canopy and beyond. Our work is on- going- it doesn't finish with Lent. For more information please check out the website : info@climatestewards.org

Praying for the World : A message from Tearfund :

Prayer is at the heart of everything we do at Tearfund. Our vision is far bigger than what we can achieve alone. We believe in a loving God who hears and responds to our prayers. Your prayers can make a difference – please join us in praying for an end to extreme poverty and injustice; for the situation in the Middle East, Gaza and Ukraine. For more info see our prayer resources <https://www.tearfund.org/stories/2026/03/how-to-pray-for-the-middle-east?..> to find out how to pray for the countries and regions Tearfund operate in.

Caring for Creation : Did you know that The House sparrow needs our help ?

House Sparrows are one of the UK's most widespread birds. While they are often the most commonly spotted garden birds unfortunately their breeding numbers have drastically declined since records began over the last 50 years. In 2002, House Sparrows were added to the UK Red List of birds of high conservation concern. Although there have been increases in some areas over the last decade, House Sparrows remain on the Red List.

One way to help garden birds is by encouraging insects.....so, *why not let a patch of your garden grow wild this spring and summer ?!!* ☺

You'll get a rest, and you'll reap the rewards of seeing more birds move into your garden! Before you get planting, it's a good idea to do a rough plan of what you'd like to plant where. Putting in a range of nature-friendly plants and flowers will attract a world of amazing wildlife, and create a diverse and thriving garden.....and this is the time of year to begin! This is something that can evolve over months or even years, so start with a small sustainable sized patchand try to create different garden habitats for biodiversity. The larger the variety of habitats, the more welcoming to wildlife it will be. The RSPB have a free Wildlife-Gardening Friendly Guide available on line, full of ideas for welcoming nature into your space. For more information please see : rspb.org.uk/helping-nature/what-you-can-do/activities/planting-plan-for-wildlife-gardens