

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheets : 14th-21st June. 2nd Sunday after Trinity

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 hold before God all 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 particularly remember all young people now facing the pressure and stress of exams, and we pray that they may know God's presence, His sanctuary, love & strength with them, that they may show their full potential.

We hold in prayer our Island community , those in positions of authority whose decisions affect the lives and life styles of all of us who live here. We pray for their wisdom, integrity and honesty, that they may seek to be well informed, to carry the responsibility placed in them wisely, without prejudice, bias or self seeking. We pray for the safeguarding of our Island people in these times of change

As we pray for our world, we remember again the displaced people, in their millions, who have been forced to flee their countries of origin due to poverty, drought, climate change, extreme weather, genocide, war, brutality, terrorism, and a combination of all these things and *so much more*; at a time when aid budgets have been cut and provision has been withdrawn. We hold before God the millions of innocent people, whose only "offense" is to be alive in the wrong country at the wrong time, who now seek the shelter and security of overcrowded tented camps on the fringes of society in barren wasteland, with no sanitation, healthcare, education, clean water or privacy, and no hope of change. And we pray for justice, and a compassionate united vision for effective generous humanitarian relief that they may have a chance for a life, security and peace, and a home that they can call their own .

Today's Readings.

Exodus 19.2–8a
Romans 5.1–8

Psalm 100
Matthew 9.35 – 10.8 [9–23]

Connectedness to Christ

In a world with high media coverage of almost everything, I wonder if we have all become more passive participators in life than previous generations? On average we see, hear, and read from a place of relative safe detachment. So then when we read our Bibles, do we *intentionally* change that response? When we read of the calling and commissioning of the disciples for example, do we observe it as a story of old, or do we see it as a relational invitation from God to *us*? If we recognise the Bible as the living Word, Christ is still calling disciples, still seeking us to connect and become One in his Kingdom of loving outreach. And Christ's statement that: *The harvest is large, but there are few workers to gather it in. Pray to the owner of the harvest that he will send out workers to gather in his harvest.* " is an instruction / invitation even, to each one of us to actively connect to Christ's call both to pray and to respond.

Thoughts to ponder

"You will know as much of God, and only as much of God, as you are willing to put into practice".

Eric Liddell.

" To follow Jesus means to follow Jesus into a society where justice rules, where love shapes everything. To follow Jesus means to take up his dream and work for it.

Scot McKnight..

Prayer is the nearest approach to God and the highest enjoyment of Him that we are capable of in this life .

William Law.

Do not work so hard for Christ that you have no strength to pray, for prayer requires strength

Hudson Taylor.

Sunday Services for next week : 21st June. The 3rd Sunday after Trinity

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

Kirk Patrick: 10.30 am : Holy Communion
Glen Maye: 10.30 am : Congregational Praise
Dalby: 6.30pm : Taize Worship

Grahan McAll & Revd. John Gulland

Cheryl Cousins

Local Ministers for Patrick: Graham McAll : 840813 & Robert Quayle : 07624 483123

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Safe Guarding Officer: Sarah Hedley : 361763

Minister for Glen Maye : Rev'd Johanna Smart : 842202 & Rev'd Dr Janet Corlett 07624 301910

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Secretary: Julia Sharples 840801.

Local Minister for Dalby: Cheryl Cousins: 843471

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Safe Guarding Officer : Paul Bergin 869306



Weekly Diary Dates 2026

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

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- **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 together a deeper discipleship practice and shared rhythm of Life.
- **Tues 16th** : Friends planning meeting at Dalby 7.00pm
- **Wed 17th : Dalby Soup; serving from 12.30pm - 1.30pm.** with home made soups, bread, cakes tea and coffee. Anyone always welcome.
- **Wed, 17th: The first rehearsal of a brand new Gospel Choir 6.30-8pm** at Onchan Methodist Hall. **Calling all singers!** In honour of the Mothers' Union's 150th anniversary in August, rehearsing on Wednesday evenings. Everyone is welcome - you don't need to be a Mothers' Union member, a mother, or even female! All are welcome. It's being led by Janet McDowell, one of the congregation at Kirk Patrick. Please do let Janet know if you would like to come and sing (and, if you know, what voice part you sing) at janet@familysimpson.co.uk. She can provide the music and recordings of the different parts for anyone who wants to get ahead of the game! This is in preparation for a service of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral in Peel at 2pm on 9th August.
- **Thurs 18th : The Launch Service of "Safe Guarding Sunday" at the Cathedral at 7.30pm:** Bishop Tricia invites everyone to join her as the Diocese rolls out our Diocesan Safeguarding Vision Statement, and takes the opportunity to thank all those involved in safeguarding locally to make safe-caring an intrinsic part of our collective life. Bishop Tricia will preach and there will be opportunity to hear from, and to meet, Abbey Celphane Wilson, our Diocesan safeguarding lead, as well as to thank the amazing Tony Connell for the way he has served the Diocese over the past decade. This is open to everyone, please come to find out more.
- **Sat 20th : Cathedral Concert by Manx Voices. at 7.30pm**
Sunday 28th: Corpus Christi College, Cambridge will be singing at the 10.30am service in the Cathedral

Last December, the Thie dy Vea (House of Life) Retreat House in Peel closed its doors - and so a place for residential retreats ceased. The good news is that they have been offered a new home in the Old Coach House, The Garey, Ramsey, IM7 2EH (by the ford) - a place with established Christian roots. The first gathering will be from **2-5pm on Saturday 20 June** and led by Richard Littledale – a Baptist Minister and author. His subject is 'Finding God in Plan B'. All are welcome but you need to book

Sunday 21st June - Service for Prison Sunday at Jurby Church at 2pm, followed by delicious refreshments, this service aims to encourage prayer and awareness of the needs of prisoners and their families, of victims of offenders, prison staff and all those who care. It is open to all across the Diocese and you are encouraged to share in it and to show your support. Come and be inspired by the words of Jesus who said 'When I was in prison you visited me'.

Tuesday 23rd at 6.30pm: Isle of Man Friends of the Earth invite You to a screening of the new film The People's Emergency Briefing. Refreshments, for 7pm start at St Thomas' Church Finch Road, Douglas. *This is an eye-opening yet hopeful look at the latest in the climate and nature crisis and its impacts on us and what should be done about it according to leading UK scientists and experts.* The film is based on the National Emergency Briefing in Westminster as covered by ITV, C4 and The Times. It will be introduced by Adrian Cowin, former Senior Isle of Man Meteorologist and followed by an opportunity to hear what people on island are doing in response to the crisis. It's free, no need to book, bring a friend or neighbour

Creating a More Caring and Safer Church Community :

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

1. Corinthians 13. 4-8

"Speak out on behalf of the voiceless, and for the rights of vulnerable people."

Proverbs 31:8

the Church of England has commissioned an independent safeguarding audit to help them ascertain the impact of the safeguarding training and how it's being implemented in practice across the Diocese. They've invited everyone within our churches to respond to a confidential and anonymous on-line survey with the aim of creating an environment where everyone feels safe, valued and respected. There are letters and posters in all the Anglican churches to explain in more detail, please see

<https://inege.com/churchofengland/Sodor-and-Man/> we encourage as many people as possible to respond, it takes about 20 mins to complete, it closes on 7th July.

NB>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.