

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheets : 26th - 2nd August

8th Sunday after Trinity
Proper 12

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, that they may know God's presence with them and be comforted.

As the school holidays start at the end of this week we hold all our families, young people, and teachers across the Island before God, that they may have the opportunity of rest and recuperation, a time of renewal and re-creation. And we pray for all those who are committed to running holiday clubs, workshops and activities, for the Beach Missions in Peel and Port St Mary, and for all that goes on through Isle of Play, that their outreach will be blessed and inspired and that kids and families just have a great time!

We hold before God the wildfires that are

ravaging wide areas across Europe, the British Isles and Ireland, with particularly fast moving fires in Spain and France, where over 270,000 people have now been displaced as firefighters work tirelessly to avert the fire from approaching major cities. We hold before God all those who are involved in the logistics of effective fire defence; the apparatus of fire-fighting, be it by air or water tanks; the safety and protection of the fire crews and individuals, fighting to save homes, lifetime possessions and security. And we pray for all those working within the infrastructure to find shelter for the thousands of displaced people, stunned by this emergency. And for all those grieving. We hold the cremated landscape, and wildlife..... and pray for forgiveness that we have systematically ignored the prophets of Climate Change. And now, in faith, we can but *simply pray for rain.*

**Todays Readings. 1 Kings 3.5-12
Romans 8.26-end**

**Psalm 119.129-136
Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52**

The transformative action of love

The escalation of war, the impact of climate change, the destabilisation in society, racist attacks and drug abuse and the apparently increasing brutality in our world, can make us feel very small and very vulnerable. Our norm is under threat, and though never ideal, it suddenly seems safer than what could lie ahead. And yet; in our teaching today Jesus speaks of the miracle of the Way of God. Of how the smallest seed of faith, of prayer, of love, of hope, of loving action *will grow and multiply* when it's done with the faith of a God focused person. In our Old Testament reading Solomon asks God for the *gift of wisdom*, that he may have the discernment to rule his people. Let our prayer be for the same discernment, let our focus be for the same transformation that only God can bring. Let our priority, our actions and our prayers be that we too may be like the "homeowner" and generously pass God's spiritual truths to a world hungry for new hope, new vision, a new reality, rather than hiding in the fear of our insecurity.

Thoughts to ponder....

Generosity does not apply only to money and material things; it is more about your spirit. You do not have to be financially wealthy to be generous. You can give love, kindness, time, listening, patience, caring, appreciation, compliments, and service. When in doubt, give.

Alan Cohen

You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give.

Khalil Gibran

Sharing what you have is more important than what you have.

Albert M. Wells,

Sunday Services for next week : 2nd August. The 9th 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: 6.30 pm : Cafe Service
Dalby: 6.30pm : Celtic Evening Prayer

Revd John Gulland.
Rev Jo Smart
Cheryl & Rosemary Evans

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

Wardens: Clare Quayle 417583 & Andy McKinley

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

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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**

- **Sun 26th : Join us for a walk : Leaving St Luke's at 1.30pm. Joining Abbeylands Chapel** for their service at 3pm and then a walk back to St Luke's. 5 miles round trip. Refreshments will be served at both ends of the walk. Lifts to and from both churches available. If the weather is poor we will miss the walk and join Abbeylands for their service only. Contact Sue Sayle 333153
- **Sun 26th : 3pm** there is a free recital by visiting organist Matthew Atherton in St George's Church, Douglas. St George's has the Island's newest organ, built by Harrison & Harrison of Durham in 2004.
- **Tues 28th . Coffee, Chat & Prayer.** A warm welcome to all. Join us for a relaxed hour of friendship, conversation and prayer. Tea, coffee and tasty bits to enjoy! Everyone welcome! Completely free every Tuesday 2.30pm - 3.30pm. Peel Methodist Church Friendship, Conversation and prayer community. . Come along - we'd love to see you!
- **Tues 28th Western Mission Partnership meeting** 6.30pm at St Johns.
- **Sat 25th July to Sat 1st August: St Maughold's Week** celebrates the heritage of the Island's patron saint. There is something different on every day of this Heritage week, flyers are available in churches Or see: <https://www.facebook.com/KirkMaughhold/>
- **Tuesday 4th August Family Fun day. From 11am to 3pm in St Johns Church Hall.** Free admission. Buzz in.... Meet the bees and their keepers. Clever bees - honey, candles, polish. Enjoy a bee cake and drink. Plant some bee-friendly seeds. 'Create a Manx bee' competition. Follow the bee trail in the church. Adults – take the bee quizzzzz
- **Sat 8th: Cathedral Concert series. 7.30pm Grampian Concert Orchestra** (Aberdeen)
- **Fri 14th 2026 from 2.30 to 4.30. Beetle drive family fun game** Everyone welcome. Admission £2.00 - refreshments included. St John the Baptist (Tynwald) Church Hall (*Proceeds towards Church funds*)

Triskelion Way is a pilgrimage trail running 37 miles (60km) across the Isle of Man through stunning coast and hill scenery, linking the historic centres of Rushen Abbey, Peel Cathedral and Maughold.
<https://pilgrimageisleofman.im/triskelion-way/> Join us for part or all of a 4-day walk along the entire route, from **Friday 28 to Monday 31 August** - a chance to take time out for reflection, poetry, prayer, and silence. Ancient heritage will be visited along the way; keeills (early chapels), carved crosses and holy wells. The terrain varies from sheltered glen to rugged moorland, from high clifftop to dramatic waterfall.
Enquiries to walk leaders: Phil Craine 07624 437248 philcraine44@gmail.com and Sue Jackson 07624 432814 jacksonsanne@hotmail.com

With rising numbers of deaths by suicide on the Island, how we care can make a difference: Part of the Island's Suicide Prevention Strategy is making suicide prevention everyone's business, so that when people are in need of help, someone is there to support them. The local charity "Isle stand up to suicide" are working to embed a supporting culture among communities in the Isle of Man to help normalise conversations around suicide and be there for people when they need us by delivering QPR training to members of the public, corporate groups and a range of frontline and community-facing roles. 'Question, Persuade, Refer' training equips people with the skills to recognise warning signs, engage in supportive conversations, and guide someone to appropriate help. Five-hundred people across the Island have been trained in QPR by Isle Stand Up To Suicide since 2023. The training is open to anyone and you can register for upcoming training sessions via the [Isle Stand Up To Suicide website](#) If you or someone you know is struggling or in crisis, free and confidential help is available locally through:

The Samaritans Isle of Man: Call 116 123 (free 24/7).

Crisis Response and Home Treatment Team (CRHTT): Provides urgent, island-wide mental health crisis response.

Isle Stand Up To Suicide (ISUTS): Offers localized crisis support, counselling options, and community training.

Bereaved Survivors of Suicide IOM: Offers peer support for those affected by the loss of a loved one see dhiggy@manx.net <https://edspace.im/>

Imagining the World : The Very Revd John Mann has written a book being published by Darton, Longman and Todd to celebrate the Creation Season. It is designed for personal use, but, in addition, Louise Whitelegg has created a four-session study guide for use during September, based on four of the thirty-four days of the book which we hope will be available during the summer, both in a form that can be downloaded and printed or read on a screen. Details tbc.

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.