



Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheets : 27th - 4th Oct

17th after Trinity. Proper 21

Season of Creation : Fairtrade Fortnight



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.

We hold before God our newly elected members of Tynwald, all our civil servants and all responsible for the safe and wise administration of this new Government over the next five years. We pray for a Spirit of humility and wisdom, truth and integrity, responsibility and sustainability, that as they lead our Island nation through difficult times they may hold onto a clear vision for the future where we are fully accountable for our actions and our investments, that they may truly reflect God's Kingdom here on earth.

More than just a shopping habit

It starts with a change so outwardly insignificant that no one would notice, except the person behind you in the aisle. Just a moment when instead of seeing rows of labels on a supermarket shelf You imagine The people behind them, Tilling the earth, Sowing the seed, Gathering the crops, And you pause, wondering what their names are, where they live, what difference it will make if your hand picks up this box, instead of that ... Wondering: how do I Love these neighbours? Can I help change this child's long journey for water, Her mother's lack of healthcare, the prospect her father faces of another year unable to feed his family well? Just a moment. And the person behind you, her impatient baby squirming in the trolley, may never realise That in that brief hesitation A life hung in the balance.

**Todays Readings. Ezekiel 18.1-4, 25-end
Philippians 2.1-13**

**Psalm 25.1-8
Matthew 21.23-32**

Meeting with the Poor and Marginalise

We come to the close of "The Season of Creation" with the Celebration of the Feast Day of St Francis of Assis, who sadly was traditionally reduced to being seen as a somewhat quaint Saint who loved animals, or, God forbid, even a tree hugger! More recently he has been elevated and recognised as a humble man who came to know *The Oneness of the Spirit of His Creator God, within and throughout the entirety of His Creation*. From founding the Franciscan movement in the early 13th century, which was known for their itinerant, radical life of evangelical poverty, preaching in the world, and depending on daily charity, he is now known as the core, the heart to the fast growing Christian Ecological Movement. Because *he understood the interconnectedness of all living things as interdependent parts of a single family created by God*. He knew their sacred origins, and poured his love, his empathy and compassion on all that were weak, poor, vulnerable or marginalised throughout the creation. He recognised that their needs were his need, their pain His pain. Their Creator, His Saviour.

Thoughts to ponder

We can be thankful to a friend for a few acres or a little money; and yet for the freedom and command of the whole earth, and for the great benefits of our being, our life, health, and reason, we look upon ourselves as under no obligation.

Marcus Annaeus Seneca

There is no closer bond than the one that gratefulness celebrates, the bond between giver and thanksgiver. Everything is a gift. Grateful living is a celebration of the universal give and-take of life, a limitless yes to belonging.

David Steindl-Rast

Sunday Services for next week : 4th October. The 18th 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: 11.00am : No Service at Glen Maye United Service at St John's Chapel

Dalby: 6.30pm : Dalby Harvest Home with the Lhon dhoo Male Voice Choir

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

Wardens: Clare Quayle 417583 & Andy McKinley

Safe Guarding Officer: Sarah Hedley : 361763

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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- **Sun27th: The Archbishop of York, the Most Revd Stephen Cottrell**, will be at the Old Cathedral at 9.50am on St Patrick's Isle, with procession through Peel to the 'new' Cathedral for a service at 10:30am service.
NB> Patrick and Dalby Churches be will not have their usual service this Sunday but invite their members to join them at the Cathedral for this special occasion.
Please check the Diocesan website <https://www.sodorandman.im/> and the Diocesan Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/sodorandman/> for the stories that you can share
- **Tues 29th : Coffee, Chat & Prayer** every Tuesday from 2.30pm - 3.30pm. Join us for a relaxed hour of friendship, conversation and prayer. Tea, coffee and tasty bits to enjoy! Completely free. Peel Methodist Church Friendship, Conversation and prayer community. Come along - we'd love to see you!
- **Tues 29th Sept: THE CHOSEN Season 4 Workshop. 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm.** at St Johns Methodist Chapel with Video and conversation. For the curious, New to faith, Have faith, Box set lovers!. Contacts: Rev Jo Smart. Tel 842202
johanna.smart@methodist.org.im Rev Joanna Fisher j.fisher00@icloud.com tel 412915
- **Tues 29th : Parish of the West Coast PCC Meeting**
- **Wed 30th : Mooijer Veggey at Dalby** 9.30am – 11.30am: to book contact admin@mooijerveggy.org.im
- **Friday Night Village Social Evenings at Glen Maye Community Centre 6.30pm to 9.00pm.** Board games, jigsaws. craft activities etc etc. Refreshments, all welcome. For more info
- **October: Sat 3rd - 11.00am to 4.00pm Glen Maye Craft Market** at Glen Maye Chapel and Community Centre. Homemade Produce and Handicrafts by Local Artists etc. Free entry light lunches and refreshments available. Contact Debbie on 845681
- **Sat 3rd :Patrick Harvest: 5.00pm in the Church followed by supper and sale of produce in the Hall.** Everyone welcome - please let Louise on 246450 know if you are coming. Bring a filling or a salad or pudding, or £5 per adult.

- **Sat. & Sun 3rd & 4th: Manx Heritage Weekend & Dalby Harvest Open Church**, Schoolrooms & Hub from 10.30 am- 4.30pm.... bring friends or family & come for a skeet. Light refreshments as in Manx Soda Cake & flapjacks, teas and coffee available throughout the day, and a local farming heritage photo display. Everyone welcome.
- **Sun 4th : Dalby Harvest Home: 6.30pm with the Lhon dhoo Male Voice Choir**, Local speakers and Dalby Tea to follow the concert Service. We'd love you to join us!

Sat 3rd Oct : 11am-2pm: A Winter Support Hub.
Help, advice and support all in one place The Salvation Army in conjunction CAIM are offering an open invitation to anyone to attend and gain the relevant support from a variety of agencies. Looking at: Keeping warm and managing energy costs. Financial support and benefits. Health and wellbeing. Housing and accommodation. Food assistance. Community and local support services. Speak to local organisations, get advice, ask questions, and find the help available for you and your family this winter. Free, friendly and confidential support. This has been organised by their Debt Advice Service at The Salvation Army, Ballacottier Crescent, IOM Business Park, Braddan IM2 2QZ
Contact: Freephone 0808 1624 606.
Dylan Nieuwoudt. Captain Commanding Officer - Isle of Man Corps & Divisional Ecumenical Officer. A Christian Church and Registered Charity Number 267 (Isle of Man)



Good news for this Fairtrade Fortnight: The Island has retained . its Fairtrade Community status for another three years following our

submission in the summer to the Fairtrade Foundation. This recognises all the good work that's been carried out in schools, churches, other organisations and with the general public since the previous award in 2023. The Fairtrade Foundation said, "every action taken on a local level adds to raising awareness of *the issues of unfair trade and furthers the progress of workers' rights, safer working conditions and fairer pay for farmers and workers globally.*" Thank you if you buy and promote Fairtrade Products!. The Island's main objective is to now gather information about the availability of Fairtrade products on the Island to create an interactive map that will show where to purchase or enjoy Fairtrade products. If you know a shop, cafe or restaurant that sells or uses Fairtrade goods or are you part of a Fairtrade registered church, please contact Wendy Shimmin **Email:** info@owciom.org so they can make the map as accurate as possible!

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