

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheets : 12th-18th Oct 19th after Trinity. Proper 23

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; 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, and be comforted

We give thanks and hold before God all those from our chapels and churches who are present for others in so many different ways, those who visit friends and neighbours, who befriend the elderly or house bound, who share lifts, sit with the lonely, offer to drive someone to an appointment or drop in with cake, those who run Tots groups or village social gatherings; we give thanks for their loyalty and commitment and pray they will know Christ's nurturing Spirit as they give of themselves in His Love.

We continue to hold before God all those who give of themselves as they work in war torn and dangerous situations, NGO's, Medics, Peace Keepers, Relief groups, and Humanitarian missions who work in the hardest and most dangerous places on earth. We pray that their energy may be renewed when they are faced with overwhelming need; that they may have practical wisdom when they are faced with complex problems; that they have the patience to navigate chaos, and the steadfast faith, strength and courage to keep going when the tasks ahead seem too heavy. And we pray for their protection and safety as they serve others, that they may be guarded from violence and unseen danger and that when systems fail or hostility rises they may know God's presence with them in a safe path, to reach those who are suffering.

**Today's Readings. Exodus 32.1-14
Philippians 4.1-9**

**Psalm 106.1-6, 19-23*
Matthew 22.1-14**

Putting on righteousness

AS we marked the 3rd anniversary of the war in Gaza last Wednesday there will be but few of us who don't despair at the hopelessness of great communities of people, hundreds of thousands of individuals and their families, who were but seeking a safe, secure and peaceful life. People whose hopes, dreams, aspirations and labours are crushed to nothing but terror, insecurity and sheer survivalism. In our teaching today Jesus speaks of how all are invited to the great banquet, but few are ready to respond..... how we all know of the way of Love, but fail to really live it in the depths of our beings and the practice of our lives. Global tensions don't just ignite out of the blue, but are the result of ignoring many years of injustice and poverty, of many years of coercion, greed and manipulation that go conveniently unheeded and unnoticed. The resulting eruption of violence is never acceptable, but may have been reversible if in our busyness we had collectively sought to prioritise putting on the garment of righteousness, respect and justice.

Thoughts to ponder ...

It is from numberless diverse acts of courage and belief that human history is shaped. Each time a person stands up for an ideal or strikes out against injustice, he or she sends forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centres of energy and daring, those ripples build a current which can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance.

Robert F. Kennedy

There are risks and costs to a program of action. But they are far less than the long-range risks and costs of comfortable inaction.

John F. Kennedy

Sunday Services for next week : 18th October. The 20th 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: 10.30am : Morning Worship

Dalby: 6.30pm : Taize Worship

Jen Casson

Cheryl Cousins

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

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

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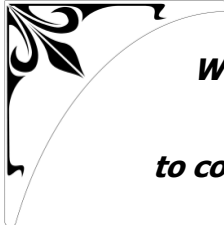
Local Minister for Dalby: Cheryl Cousins: 843471

Wardens : Margy Killey:843768. & Pauline Killey 843494

Safe Guarding Officer: Sarah Hedley : 361763

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Weekly Diary Dates 2026

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

- **Sun 11th: Patrick Church 10.30am. Peter Harris one of the founders of A Rocha, Christians in Conservation will be preaching this Sunday.** Everyone welcome.
- **Mon 12th : Navigating by Blackbird;** a unique Arts Workshop by visiting Orkney Artist Sheena Graham George as she follows the blackbird migration from Orkney to Southern Ireland on her bicycle! 2.30-4.30pm at Dalby Schoolrooms, a community workshop sewing together a migration banner. All materials provided. Numbers are restricted so please contact Cheryl to book, no charge.
- **Tues 13th : St Johns Mill : 9.30am – 10.30am Western Mission Partnership Prayer time** Everyone welcome.
- **Tues 13th : 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.uk Rev Joanna Fisher j.fisher00@icloud.com tel 412915
- **Wed 7th : Mooijer Veggiey at Dalby** 9.30am – 11.30am: to book contact admin@mooijerveggye.org.uk
- **Thurs 15th: 11am. The Funeral and celebration for the Life of Lynda Jones will be at Dalby Church followed by refreshments in the schoolrooms.** Our prayers, love and deepest sympathy are with all the family.
- **Thurs 15th : People's Emergency Briefing ⑩ 7.30pm.** Dalby Schoolrooms. Doors open 7pm for refreshments. Isle of Man Friends of the Earth invite you to a free film screening on the climate and nature crisis. A public information film derived from the National Emergency Briefing given by ten UK experts to over 1200 politicians and national leaders in November 2025 on the climate and nature crises. This film distils the evidence into an accessible format for the public. 'followed by a discussion Free, ticket not required

NB> Revd. Jo Smart will unavailable from Friday 9th to Saturday 16th October. If a minister is needed during this time then please contact another minister on the plan or one of the Circuit Stewards.

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

A Led Retreat : Thurs 22nd Oct : The Pathway of Being and Belonging: by Cheryl Cousins at Dalby Schoolrooms: 9.30am – 3.30pm. We invite you to a journey of inner pilgrimage to travel together along a path of Stillness and Silence, Seeking fresh horizons, new insights and deeper relationship with God... An introduction into Contemplative Christianity through the Practice of Meditation in the tradition of WCCM : (The World Community of Christian Meditation) The cost at £12.50 includes lunch & refreshments. The places are limited so please book in advance by contacting Cheryl Cousins: cherylcousins@manx.net. Stating if you have any specific dietary requirements

"Some time ago I was listening to an orchestra tuning up, it was a discordant sound with each instrument playing its own way. Then the oboe, a quite little instrument, began to play and the other instruments tuned into its note. There was silence and the concert began. To me the mantra is very much like the little oboe. In meditation the mantra brings all the parts of our being into harmony. When we are in harmony, we are the music of God "
FR. Lawrence Freeman

The Fairtrade Sale: Cooill Methodist Chapel 29th-31st October from 10 to 6.30pm including lunches

Village Social Evenings At Glen Maye Community Centre 6:30pm-9pmand most 2nd and 4th Fridays each month. Join us for fun, hospitality, chat and make new friends! All Ages Welcome. Jigsaws, crafts, Skittles, table tennis, board games, table football, lego & refreshments; snooker/pool.

A Rocha UK is a Christian charity working to protect and restore the natural world, and is committed to equipping Christians and churches in the UK to care for the environment. They are celebrating their 25th anniversary, alongside the 10th anniversary of Eco Church this year, marking major milestones across their environmental and Christian conservation programs.

Their vision for the world they want to see is :

- A world of stable climate and abundant nature, where oceans, rivers, air and soil are free of human pollution.
- Where human society lives in balance with the rest of nature and protects the earth's natural systems which sustain all life.
- Where people and communities have access to healthy nature locally.
- Where the church worldwide understands the biblical mandate to care for all of God's creation as a core part of its mission, and manifests this in how it treats its land, buildings, investments and other assets.
- Where Christians play their full role in collaboration with others, to protect and enhance the diversity and abundance of life on Earth, and to restore and maintain the health of our planet's life sustaining systems.
- And where through churches and Christians adopting a right relationship with the rest of Creation, others are drawn to a closer, more life-giving relationship with our creator God.