

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News Sheet: 10th -17th March The First Sunday of Lent

Welcome to all visitors to our churches this week; it's great to have you with us .

Many thanks to everyone who's helped set up our churches and those involved in leading our

We remember before God all those in our communities who are vulnerable or struggling: the elderly, the isolated and lonely, single parents, those who are ill or depressed, those stressed and anxious, the poor and needy, and those who are grieving the loss of a loved one; and we pray that they may know God's presence with them, and be comforted.

We pray for all those who carry responsibility and authority across our Island : that they may work with right values; with integrity, wisdom and truth to serve this community and all that goes on here. That our leaders may be motivated by right action, equality, justice, and compassion. That they work to ensure our children and young people have good quality of living and education That the Health Service is well resourced and equipped. That our sea, air, rivers, wildlife and countryside are protected and sustained. That we may grow as a caring and compassionate community.

We pray for the people of Zimbabwe who are still in need of long-term solutions to the economic and political problems that caused violent unrest in January. About 5.3 million people are now on the brink of severe food shortages. We remember before God all those affected, and pray that the church leaders will have the wisdom to help bring about the lasting peace desperately needed in Zimbabwe.

We hold before God World leaders and all in authority ; that in this time of unrest and political instability they may work together for mutual co-operation, unity and peace. We give thanks for those who work tirelessly to challenge global poverty and injustice, and raise awareness of the impact of climate change across the world and particularly upon the global poor.

Today's Readings

**Deuteronomy 26.1-11
Romans 10.8b-13**

**Psalm 91.1-2,9-16*
Luke 4.1-13**

the power of authority

Of late, the vagaries of Politics have dominated our news screens. Whatever our personal persuasion, we must each of us have experienced disbelief, despair, astonishment and incredulity as the broad political scenario across the world seems to have been washing its dirty linen in public, with accusations, counter accusations, back stabbing and denials. Those elected to *represent* a nation, a country, an ideal, a political party, apparently speaking and acting only for themselves. In our teaching today we hear the well-known incident of Jesus at the start of His ministry coming to terms with His understanding of the authority given to Him. That sincerity, truth, respect, compassion, self- sacrifice and serving are the Way of Love at the cost of self-satisfaction, fame at any price, and the misuse of power. Jesus identified His goals, His framework of integrity, and lived by them until His death. He chose the power of Authority of the Servant King.

Thoughts to ponder

The day the power of love overrules the love of power, the world will know peace.

Mohandas Gandhi

Power isn't control at all, power is strength, and giving that strength to others. A leader isn't someone who forces others to make him stronger; a leader is someone willing to give his or her strength to others that they may have the strength to stand on their own.

Beth Revis

True power is the falling away of individual identity.

Maya Sarada Devi

Sunday Services for next week : Sunday 17th March : The 2nd Sunday of Lent

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

Kirk Patrick 10.30am Holy Communion
Glen Maye 2.00pm Morning Worship
Dalby 6.30pm Taize Worship

Karen Garret, Robert Quayle & Canon Kelly
Rev Richard Hall
Cheryl Cousins

Local Minister for Patrick: Karen Garrett : 848095

Wardens Mac Beckerson 845385 John Parr 842618

Minister for Glen Maye : Rev'd Andy Fishburne: 842202

Steward: Paul Craker 845681:

Secretary: Julia Sharples 840801

Local Minister for Dalby: Cheryl Cousins: 843471

Wardens Pauline Killey 843494 Vicky Harrop: 249924

Weekly Diary 2019

*Everyone is always welcome
to come to any of these
activities and meetings*

- **Mon 11th March: Friends Planning Meeting at Dalby 7.00pm.**
- **Tues: 12th Dalby Hub planning meeting 7.30pm**
- **Wed 13th : Prayer at Patrick Church 8.30am**
- **Wes 13st. Dalby Ducklings: 10am – 11.30am**
- **Wed 13th : Special Film Presentation in conjunction with Mannin Sepsis: "Star Fish": 7.30pm at Dalby.** This is an awareness raising evening with representatives of Mannin Sepsis who will be with us to answer questions and to share their knowledge of this life threatening illness. STARFISH is the agonising and brutally honest true story of Tom Ray who contracted sepsis at the age of 38 and, when doctors failed to identify the classic signs, he suffered the appalling consequences. This film does not flinch from depicting both the physical consequences of sepsis and the subsequent exhausting emotional costs to him and his wife Nicola. Although it is, in parts, a harrowing film, it is also an amazing story of enduring love. We invite you to come and find out more ...Refreshments will be served on arrival
- **Wed 13th March. 7pm. Patrick Nerds at Ballacallin House** starts with a bring and share meal. All welcome, please see Karen or Graham for info.
- **Thurs 14th: A warm welcome to a simple Lent Lunch at the Cooil Chapel Hall from 12 noon – 1.30pm,** with home-made soups and desserts. Proceeds to Griah and Tearfund's Yemeni Appeal.
- **Thurs 14th : Meditation at Dalby 7.30pm – 9.00pm**
- **Fri 15th : Prayers at Patrick Church 8.30am**
- **Fri 15th : Glen Maye Toddler Group: 9.30am – 11.30am**
- **Sun 17th : 3.30pm The choir of King Williams College sing with the Cathedral Choir for evensong.**

'If you'd like to have your event or activity in this weekly newsheet could you please send the information to me by Thursday: cherylcousins@manx.net
Many thanks

Meeting of Dalby Parishioners and local Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on 7pm Mon 25th March to elect wardens and Local Church Council (LCC) members and Treasurer. Further appointments will be made and names forwarded to the PotWC meeting at 7.15pm on 9th April in St John's Hall for parish approval.

NB> The New Education Bill proposes to remove the requirement of Religious Education to be of broadly Christian character as well as the provision of faith based assemblies. The Bishop asks us if we would like to express our views on this to see the 17 page on-line consultation survey at <https://consult.gov.im/education-and-children/the-new-education-bill/> ; or please write your response to : Andrew Shipley, Strategy and Corporate Services Division, DESC, Hamilton House, Peel Road, Douglas, IM1 5EZ. Email : Andrew.Shipley@doe.gov.im. This public consultation closes on March 20 If you have queries or would like to see a copy of the Bishop's letter, please see your Minister.

When We Wonder (Godly Play) at St. Marks schoolroom on Tue 26th March from 7:30 – 9pm

As we start our journey through Lent you are invited to our next evening of Godly Play: a story, time to wonder and individual reflection. As usual there will be Godly Play materials, storytellers and refreshments available.

30th Sept (tbc) Godly Play storytellers training in Marown church: A 3 day course which includes a Godly Play storytellers guide, lunch and refreshments. You will experience Godly Play stories, learn about the aims of Godly Play and how to set up a Godly Play space for storytelling. More info: www.godlyplay.uk. Contact : annie.naylor@iom.com if you're interested!

