

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheet : 7th-14th Aug. Trinity 8. Proper 14

We welcome you to our churches this week; it's great to have you with us .

Our thanks go to those who have helped to set up our churches and all who are involved in leading worship.

We continue to 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, 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 particularly pray for the increased numbers of people on the Island with Covid again, we pray for their well-being, as well as for their work places facing staff shortages.

We hold before God all those who visit our shores during this holiday period that they may have true recreation of body mind and spirit, that they may have time and space to slow down and reconnect and re-evaluate their lives in the light of the beauty of God's creation and the hospitality of our Island.

We continue to hold before God the people of Ukraine in their suffering and loss, their betrayal and fear as more promises are broken and the war continues to destroy their country, their homes, their lives, their hopes and expectations. And we pray for all people who live in the desolation and devastation of war and fear. We pray for their courage, their faith and their resilience and for the presence of healing and peace to be tangible in this world, that we may all live with a greater empathy, understanding and respect, and a deeper generosity of Spirit .

We pray for all those who are experiencing drought; from the impact of the hose pipe ban on our gardens and crops here on the Island and in England, the wildfires in Europe and America, and the ongoing devastation of agricultural land, wildlife, and the resulting extreme famine hitting the Horn of Africa, Sudan and the Yemen. We pray for rain; we pray for Climate Action.

Today's readings : Genesis 15.1-6
Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16

Psalm 33.12-22*
Luke 12.32-40

Do not be afraid

With the constant reporting of disasters and predictions of "what is to come" it seems inevitable that there's an increase of uncertainty, anxiety and fear throughout society. We are living in demanding times. And yet it's said that the most repeated phrase in the Bible is " Do not be afraid" ; that or similar words occur 365 times : once for each day in the year ?! As Christ's followers we are promised a deeper truth, a different reality, the Kingdom of Heaven which is ours for as long as we stay grounded in God. In our teaching today Jesus talks about staying in readiness: not actually sitting clutching our grab bags in readiness for evacuation; but truly living in the depth of our faith. With the trust that the way of God is of peace and beauty, wholeness and healing, unity and harmony. For as long as we perceive God in all things and Live the way of His Kingdom then we become that stability, an anchor point of peace and beauty, wholeness and healing, unity and harmony.

Thoughts to ponder

"The beginning of anxiety is the end of faith, and the beginning of true faith is the end of anxiety."
George Mueller

Anxiety does not empty tomorrow of its sorrows, but only empties today of its strength."
Charles Spurgeon

Be not miserable about what may happen tomorrow. The same everlasting Father, who cares for you today, will care for you tomorrow.
Francis de Sales

Neither go back in fear and misgiving to the past, nor in anxiety and forecasting to the future, but lie quiet under His hand, having no will but His.
H. E. Manning

Sunday Services for next week. 14th Aug : Trinity 9. Proper15

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

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

Graham McAll & Robert Quayle
Canon Brian Kelly
The Very Revd. Nigel Godfrey

Local Ministers for Patrick: Graham McAll : 840813 & Robert Quayle :842912

Wardens: Mac Beckerson 845385. John Parr 842618

Safe Guarding Officer: Sarah Hedley : 361763

Steward:for Glen Maye : Paul Craker : 845681.

Secretary: Julia Sharples 840801.

Local Minister for Dalby: Cheryl Cousins: 843471

Wardens : Margy Killey:843768. Pauline Killey 843494

Safe Guarding Officer : Neil Evans: 843253

Weekly Diary 2022:

Anyone is very welcome to come to any of these events.....

- **Tues 9th : NB** > there's no whist drive this month at Dalby. Starting up again in September!
- **Wed 10th Aug : Lunatraktors at Dalby!** We're excited to be hosting an evening with "Lunatraktors", a broken folk duo with an international reputation! Come join us at 7.30pm for 8.00pm for a great night as we celebrate achieving our Silver Eco Church Award! Please contact Gilly on 844031 to book, admission @ £12.50 includes savoury nibbles & a Prosecco welcome, but please BYO drinks! All proceeds after costs go to Dalby Church Restoration Fund. Lunatraktors first two albums made the MOJO top ten, and they have received the British Music Collection LGBTQ+ Award and the George Butterworth Award. For more info please see: linktr.ee/Lunatraktors. *Hope you can join us!*
- **Thurs 11th : Meditation at Dalby : 7.30pm – 9.000pm** : a time for gentle reflection on a shared journey into stillness and silence following the practice of the World Community of Christian Meditation. Everyone welcome, no previous experience is needed.
- **Sun 14th : the annual RNLI** service at the lifeboat station at 3pm
- **NB >> The Patrick Fun Day** has been rescheduled for **Sat 27th August starting at 12 noon** : As before it will include barbecue, cakes, drinks, stalls, games and *Lots* more!

Closing date: 12th August : TT Schedule

Public Consultation: this is the second public consultation for the proposed 2023 TT Race Schedule. Please add your voice : To access the survey p see: <https://consult.gov.im/economic-development/isleof-man-tt-races-schedule-change-tt-2023/>

Can you help? Christian Aid are having a stall at the Royal Show 12/13th August and are looking for Volunteers to help on the Friday or Saturday. If you are able to help, please get in touch Louise Whitelegg Christian Aid IOM Tel: 474275 : LWhitelegg@christian-aid.org *Many thanks*

*Unless someone like you
cares a whole awful lot,
nothing is going to get better
It's not; it's not, it's not.....*

Dr. Seuss



Triskelion Way pilgrimage

Friday 26th - Monday 29th August. Come join us in this four day adventure, following the full 37 miles (60km) of the trail, or drop in for any day - from Rushen Abbey via Peel to Maughold, with a spirit of pilgrimage that includes prayer & reflection, poetry & silence. All are welcome. This year's dates coincide with the Manx Grand Prix so road closures affect access and we will be walking 'backwards'(!) on Saturday from Kirk Michael to Peel. For more info please contact Henry Uniacke and Phil Craine (437248 / philcraine44@gmail.com)

East Africa Emergency Appeal

Christian Aid has launched an emergency appeal for East Africa. After the worst drought in 40 years, millions of people across East Africa are facing the acute threat of famine. Working through local partners, Christian Aid is responding to the hunger crisis in the worst-affected areas in Ethiopia, Kenya and South Sudan. With your help we aim to provide life-saving support to over 300,000 people in urgent need . Please help if you are able to, marking any donations to East Africa Appeal. NB> *We have now left the IOM Bank and are banking with Lloyds. Thank you to everyone who has transferred their monthly giving to the new account. Details below if you require* : them: Christian Aid Isle Of Man Acc 46 82 01 60, Sort 30 12 80.

Ride and Stride Saturday 17th September

A fun day out with a treasure hunt! *Would you like to take part, could encourage any friends or family to join in?!* Initially a bike ride, this has been expanded to include walkers, in fact any form of transport, and those car sharing! Come help raise money for a church of your choice, by being sponsored for the number of churches you can visit between 10:00 and 18:00 on Saturday 17th September! With the option of ending up at the Cathedral which will be offering some food and family activities from 16:30 (as well as having refreshments available during the day). Many churches will have A6 sized pictures or letters displayed in a place that can be seen even if the church itself is closed. Information about this treasure hunt, detailed maps showing the position of the churches with information about availability of toilets, water points and refreshments will be posted in the next few weeks at: <https://www.churchesalive.im/rideandstride.htm> There are some 80 churches that can be visited and last year one person managed to get to all of them on his bike! We are aware that this may be tricky for families, particularly if they are walking or on bikes, so the symbols will be visible from Saturday 10th – Sunday 25th September. For any queries please contact :Rosemary Clarke rosemary.clarke@googlemail.com Tel: 843 262 Sponsor forms will be available in local churches.

If you'd like to have information in this news sheet

could you please send it through to Cheryl Cousins by Thursday @ cherylcousins@manx.net *Many thanks*