

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheet: 14th- 21st Aug. Trinity 9. Proper 15

Welcome to our worship 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 give thanks for the amazing summer weather, for families on holiday and for all who have been able to have true recreation of body, mind and spirit this summer. We also give thanks for the prediction of rain, and hold the environment, the farmers, food growers, wildlife and vegetation in Gods loving care and provision. We give thanks for all those who are now actively engaging in carbon reduction and water preservation that together we may be good stewards of this precious planet.

We continue to hold before God the people of Ukraine in their suffering and loss, their betrayal and fear as 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 Spirit of generosity and unity.

We hold before God the people of Pakistan once again facing the impact of climate change where, three weeks into the monsoon season, they have had an unprecedented 60% of the total rainfall for the whole 3 month period. Over 600 people have died, tens of thousands of homes damaged, infrastructure destroyed and crops devastated due to the wide spread flooding, causing extreme food shortages.

Today's readings :

Jeremiah 23.23-29
Hebrews 11.29 - 12.2

Psalms 82
Luke 12.49-56

God's Calling

We hear a lot about "vulnerable people" today ; as if they are different from the rest of us.... a category set apart, whilst in fact we are all vulnerable at different stages of our lives, whether it is through grief, stress, relationship breakdown, financial insecurity; we are all human, and so all vulnerable. To those facing vulnerability, Jesus always showed immediate compassion, love and healing; He called them to seek refuge in Him and He brought them wholeness. But in our teaching today, we hear a very different and challenging message. It was spoken to His disciples; to those who had found their strength in Him. To them He is uncompromising, there is work to be done in this world and He is calling His people, those who live in His strength, to do it. His calling to those who know Him is to be pro-active, single focused, and committed; to make the way of His kingdom their constant priority, so that we live, breath and sleep His Love and compassion for the vulnerable.

Thoughts to ponder

You are My children and My servants, My representatives in a fractured world. I can reach those sick, needy loveless, and lonely creatures only through you. This is the reason I have given you so much, that you may share it with others. "

Psalms Now. 82

We must be global Christians with a global vision because our God is a global God.

J.Stott

I feel the capacity to care is the thing which gives life its deepest significance.

Paul Casals.

Sunday Services for next week. 14th Aug : Trinity 10. Proper 16

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

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

Robert Quayle & Canon Brian Kelly
Leslie Motley.
Cheryl Cousins

Local Ministers for Patrick: Graham McAll : 840813 &

Robert Quayle :842912

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Safe Guarding Officer: Sarah Hedley : 361763

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Weekly Diary 2022:

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

- **Sun 14th : the annual RNLi** service at the lifeboat station at 3pm
- **Sat 27th : The Patrick Fun Day starting at 12 noon** : As before it will include barbecue, cakes, drinks, stalls, games and *Lots* more!

NB> Isle of Man TT Races – the survey on the detrimental schedule changes starting from TT 2023 is running **until Friday 19 August**. The simplest way is online - enter consult.gov.im in the 'subject line' and press 'return'. Then then scroll down the page to Open activities. The first consultation is next year's TT schedule. No postal address has been given but consultations are overseen by the Cabinet Office, Third Floor. Government Office, Bucks Road. Douglas, IM1 3PN. Tel: 01624 685711. Chief Secretary Caldicott Randall. You can also contact your MHK to make your voice heard.

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> *They 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.

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

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.

Good Stewardship : Saving natural resources:

Though it may feel we have a lot of water most of the time, it can't be taken for granted. In the UK the last eight months have been the driest in the last 50 years. Research shows that 46 per cent of people believe their household uses under 20 litres a day (roughly equivalent to taking a 2-minute shower) when the true figure is closer to 146 litres per person per day, nearly twice as much as we were using 60 years ago. This means an average family of four in the UK could use more than 500 litres each day.

Some long term water saving tips for the

gardener: Even if you live in a dry part of the UK, you could collect 24,000 litres (5,280 gallons or 150 water butts) of rainwater from your roof each year!

Obviously, not many people can store that much water, but if every household in the country collected even just one water butt's worth of water a year (160 litres), that's four billion litres of free water that we all could be using on our gardens. **It's simple to collect rainwater:** just divert the water from your drainpipe into a water butt or a wheelie bin. **Reusing grey water** (water from baths, showers, washing machines and washing up) is a good way to use water a second time. You can buy greywater diverters that divert the water from your bath to an irrigation system or a water butt. **Household soaps and detergents** are harmless to plants, but don't use water containing bleach, disinfectant, dishwasher salt or stronger cleaners, which can harm plants, damage soil structure and could be a health risk. From Nigel Berman's Eco Blog.