

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News Sheet: 30th Aug- 6th Sept. 12th Sunday after Trinity

*We welcome 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 worship.*

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, those facing financial pressures and insecurity, and those who are grieving the loss of a loved one; and we pray that they that they may know God's presence with them and be comforted.

We hold in our prayers the young people in our communities and all those across the Island who are returning to school and college next week, particularly those anxious about changing schools and facing new beginnings. And we pray for the staff and teachers in the role that they have in re-establishing stability and continuity of learning whilst operating in a safe environment, that the impact of Covid on the children's education may be minimised .

We pray for the people of Haiti in the midst of what is predicted as one the worst hurricane seasons on record. This year, an unprecedented nine tropical storms formed before August, and thirteen before September. Haiti was hit by Tropical Storm Laura on Sunday 23 August. At least 21 people were killed, and many areas were flooded. Many communities were unprepared for the rains that ensued. It has also caused damage to crops, which people were depending on for food. All of this comes in the wake of Covid-19 and a food insecurity crisis that has been increasing over the past year. Haiti is one of the poorest nations on earth, with more than 2.5 million people living in extreme poverty. Few have access to electricity, meaning they receive little warning before a storm hits. People don't have the resources to build homes able to withstand strong winds and the climate crisis means that storms are increasing in both frequency and severity. We pray for vulnerable communities like those in Haiti, who are on the brink of disaster.

Today's Readings

Jeremiah 15.15-21
Romans 12.9-21

Psalms 26.1-8
Matthew 16.21-28

a glass half full attitude?

We're told that personality types become more apparent during moments of stress and tension, when our guard comes down and our well balanced veneer becomes askew. When threatened by the unfamiliar are we detached and philosophical, or do we start fighting our corner, or are we fearful and depressed ? In our teachings today we are challenged as to how we live our faith in times of challenge..... quite apt really considering the current writing on the wall of our present times. God rebukes the negative attitude of Jeremiah, Jesus rebukes the attitude of defensive denial from Peter.....and, in the teaching from Romans, Paul reminds us of our commissioning to *let go of our littleness of self* and to focus into the bigger picture of Love. He speaks of how the attitude of Love, when it's truly sincere, can change how we see everything, even the threatening and the frightening.

Thoughts to ponder :

Let your hope keep you joyful, be patient in your troubles, and pray at all times. Apostle Paul

Adversity is not simply a tool. It is God's most effective tool for the advancement of our spiritual lives. The circumstances and events that we see as setbacks are oftentimes the very things that launch us into periods of intense spiritual growth. Once we begin to understand this, and accept it as a spiritual fact of life, adversity becomes easier to bear. Charles Stanley

If thou art willing to suffer no adversity, how wilt thou be the friend of Christ? Thomas a Kempis

Sunday Services for next week 6th Sept.: The 13th Sunday after Trinity

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

Kirk Patrick **10.30am** **Holy Communion**
Glen Maye **10.30am** **Morning Worship**
Dalby **6.30pm** **Evening Prayer**

Canon Kelly
Lesley Motley
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Local Ministers for Patrick: Graham McAll 840813 & Robert Quayle 842912

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Local Minister for Dalby: Cheryl Cousins: 843471

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Weekly Diary 2020

Everyone is welcome to come to any of these events

- **Tues 1st September. Patrick Coffee Stop in Knockaloe Garden room from 10 am – 12 noon.** *Everyone very welcome.*
 - **Fri 4th : Dalby Hub Pub from 7.30pm,** *everyone welcome,* bring your own wine /beer/nibbles to share plus a donation to help cover rent
 - **Sat 5th : 11am - 3pm Glen Maye Craft Market** At Glen Maye Chapel & Community Centre. Homemade Produce & Handicrafts by Local Artists. Crafts, Gifts, Knitwear, Jewellery, Artwork etc, FREE ENTRY - Join us for homemade light lunch, bacon baps, tea, coffee & cake. Look out for the bunting and banners. Contact Debbie 845681 for more details or to book a table.
 - **Mon 7th: Big Table Café at the Corrin Hall on 12noon- 2 pm.** 'Eat what you want, pay what you can'. Varied diets catered for.
 - **Tues 8th : Dalby Whist Drive from 7.30pm**
 - **Wed 16th Dalby Soup Stop serving from 12.30- 1.30pm** with home-made soups, bread, cakes & Coffee
 - **Fri 18th: Banquet in the Cathedral 7.00pm** with musical items and a talk on the vision and exciting plans for the Cathedral's future. Booking essential: Tables for up to 8 @£25. per person. Tickets available from Val admin@catherdal.im 241227/844830 Dietary requirements can be catered for by arrangement
 - **Sat 19th Cathedral Concerts at 7.30pm,** with the popular 'Mollag Band'
 - **Wed 30th: 7.45pm: You are warmly invited to Graih's AGM** at The Well, The Alpha Centre, Broadway.
- Advance Notice :**
- **Sat 26th Sep: Harvest in the Barn.** 6.30pm. at Ballacreggan Barn
 - **Sun 4th Oct: Dalby Harvest Day** with lunches & Teas from 12.noon – 4.30pm:
Harvest Home Songs of Praise at 5.30pm
 - **Sat 10th Oct: 5pm Patrick Harvest Service Supper and Auction**

Growing Leaders Course: The Church recognises that the development of both current and new leaders needs to be a top priority and is running a CPS course from Sept; open to anyone interested in taking up roles to help meet the challenges we face in our fast changing society so that we move towards a shared understanding of the principles of Christian Leadership across the Diocese. For more information please contact rosemary.clarke@googlemail.com tel : 843262 J.fisher00@icloud.com Tel : 412915

You can see an excellent video about the course: <https://vimeo.com/293344505/103347548c>

Diocesan Strategy for Church Buildings 2020. The Diocesan Strategic Review Group was established four years ago to review our church buildings and consider how they enable the Diocese of Sodor and Man to engage with the Mission of God. Having been considered by Diocesan Synod this is now our strategy and is being made available for all of us to consider how we work together for the Mission of God, and prepare ourselves for a viable ministry throughout the 21st century. There are two documents for reference that have been produced and these can be found and downloaded in PDF and Word formats on the Diocesan website (www.sodorandman.im). In particular, it would be helpful if all LCC and WMP members could try and read them as they are to be debated and reported back to the Church Commissioners in the next few months.

****Diocesan Certificate in Christian Studies.** This is a one year ecumenical course of 30 weeks leading to the Sodor & Man Certificate in Christian Studies. It starts on 15 September in St John's Church Hall between 7-9pm. For further information please see the noticeboard and/or speak with the course tutor - the Revd Canon Margaret Burrow on 662173

Creationtide or the Season of Creation is the period in the annual church calendar, from 1st September to 4th October, dedicated to God as Creator and Sustainer of all life. The theme for the Season of Creation 2020 is Jubilee for the Earth. Jubilee is a time of rest for the land from exploitation, and to restore ecosystems and people. Climate Sunday will also be launched during the Season of Creation. In the year leading up to the UN global climate change talks in November 2021 (COP26), churches will be encouraged to hold a special Climate Sunday service or event, to make a commitment to tackle climate change, and to raise their voices to call on world leaders to do the same. It is at times like these — testing times — that we recognise we are all in this together. Coronavirus impacted all of us, but love unites us all. We are aware now more than ever of how interconnected our lives are and the importance of looking out for our neighbours as well as our common home. For more info & resources just Google : Season of Creation.

If you'd like to have information in this news sheet could you please send it through to me by Thursday each week : *Many thanks*