

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheet : 3rd- 10th April 5th Sunday of Lent

*We welcome everyone 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.*

Prayer for Lent : Loving God, remind us of the beauty of unity: show us how we can draw nearer to you, and to become who You have made us to be. We surrender our time this Lent to you, in Jesus' name.

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, those with Covid, 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.

As the weather gets colder we remember all those who are homeless or seeping rough and those who are struggling with fuel poverty on the Island, that they may be provided for. And we pray for our farmers who have sheep lambing, for the safe keeping of their flock.

We continue to hold before God the people of Ukraine in their fear and vulnerability, that they may know the strength and support of His Spirit with them and may find safety and provision. We pray for wisdom and compassion from world leaders in the decisions they make; for the church in the region to continue to minister Gods Love and peace, and for host countries accommodating refugees that they may have the resources for those in need. And we pray for Peace, that there may be an end to this conflict & suffering.

During Passiontide we remember all those who suffer the pain of persecution and betrayal, who face injustice, violence and abuse. We remember those have so little, when so many have so much; those who are homeless, when others have second homes; those who are starving when others have an overload of food and possessions; and we pray we may be awakened to Jesus' life of selfless giving.

Today's readings .

**Isaiah 43.16-21
Philippians 3.4b-14**

**Psalm 126
John 12.1-8**

generous giving

In the midst of the sheer brutality, injustice and devastation in Ukraine there is a parallel story of amazing humanitarian relief, compassion, courage, empathy and outpouring of generosity. A battle of opposites, light against dark, love against hate, hope in the midst of such suffering and pain. On this, the 5th Sunday of our Lenten journey, Passion Sunday, we look towards Holy Week in recognition of the pain, suffering and injustice that Jesus will embrace, because of His love for us. And yet our teaching today speaks of Mary, who anoints Jesus' feet with the most expensive of oils before he is betrayed.....an extravagant gesture, foolhardiness, or an act of worship, faith, love and commitment ? How do we react in the face of Global disaster, an unjust war, or situations that seem so much larger than our own small sphere of influence? Jesus condones Mary's act because he sees the intuitive selflessness of her love within the reckless generosity. Jesus' life exemplifies the selfless giving that never counts the cost.

Thoughts to ponder

Generosity does not apply only to money and material things; it is more about your spirit. You do not have to be financially wealthy to be generous. You can give love, kindness, time, listening, patience, caring, appreciation, compliments, and service. When in doubt, give.

Alan Cohen

The person who gives what he or she would as readily throw away gives without generosity; for the essence of generosity is in self-sacrifice.

Henry Taylor

Sunday Services for next week. 10th April : Palm Sunday

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

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

Graham MccAll
Rev Dr Janet Corlett
Canon Margaret Burrow

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Weekly Diary 2021:

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

NB > *Please always LFT before attending events and worship, Many thanks*

- **Sun 3rd April : MARINERS' SERVICE at Glen Maye Chapel at 6:30pm.** The service will be conducted by: Preacher: Revd Richard Hooton. Soloist: Mrs Christine Bregazzi. The hymn singing will be led by The Mariners' Choir. Refreshments and community singing to follow and a warm welcome awaits everyone.
- **Monday 4th April ; Dalby Friends planning meeting; 7.00pm** in the schoolrooms.
- **Tues 5th April : Patrick Coffee Stop in the Knockaloe Garden room**
- **Thurs 7th : Thursday Fellowship at the Guild Room, Atholl St. Peel.** starting at 2.15pm till Easter, speakers, quizzes etc. £1 including tea & biscuits. For further details: Thelma Corlett 8014
- **Thurs 7th : The Prayer group at St. John's Methodist Chapel** led by Rita Norrey at 7pm. Everyone welcome!
- **Fri 8th . Glen Maye & Toddler group: 9:30 to 11:30** every Friday in Term-time.
- **Fri 8th : Join us for a 30 minute "pilgrimage",** moving around the Stations of the Cross in the Cathedral, pausing at each picture for a prayer and short reading.

Lent Lunches:

Michael Parish Church 12-1.30pm. £7 Thursdays.
The Cooil Chapel Hall 12-1.30pm £7 on Thursdays – 14th April. Homemade Soup, bread and cheese, pudding, tea/coffee. Proceeds to Tearfund Lent Appeal and MOTIV8 Addiction Service.

The Disaster Emergency Committee have launched an Appeal for Ukraine. You can donate online at:
<https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal>.

The Manx Charity Hands of Hope write : *We are located about 30km from the Ukraine border. We have set up a JustGiving Campaign page here if you wish to make donations specifically for this work.*
<https://www.facebook.com/handsofhopeiom/posts/4953645558017998>

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

Easter at Dalby : The Passion : we invite you to join us at Dalby Schoolrooms on Monday 11th April from 6.30pm – 10.15pm (includes a 15 min interval) where we will be showing the screening of the BBC production of the Passion. Everyone's very welcome. No need to book. Refreshments will be available throughout the evening. This is a television drama serial produced by the BBC and HBO Films in association with Deep Indigo Productions. It tells the story of the last week in the life of Jesus. Writer Frank Deasy and producer Nigel Stafford-Clark were inspired to make a drama that opened up the story beyond the "vacuum" it is often told in. They did this by exploring the politics of Judea at the time and expanding the roles of Pontius Pilate and Caiaphas, aided by scholar Mark Goodacre. It was directed by Michael Offer on location in Morocco and broadcast on BBC One in four parts. Its viewing figures ranged from 3.2 million to 4.9 million people, and it received generally positive critical reception. No admission charge, but we're grateful for donations to help cover our costs. For queries please contact : cherylcousins@manx.net

Maundy Thursday 14th April. A Candlelit

Gethsemane Vigil at Dalby: 9pm – 10pm A time of led reflection, with music and hymns for holy week as we watch and pray..... After 10pm there will be a silent vigil until midnight for whoever wants to stay. Come when you want, stay as long as you like. bring blankets to stay warm! Refreshments will be available throughout the evening in the schoolrooms.

Easter Morning Sunrise at Cronk ny aree Laa.

Meeting at the car park at 5.35am. we meet at the car park on the bend at the of the Sloc Road to walk to the top of Cronk ny aree Laa for sunrise at 6.05am. Please bring breakfast to share, flasks of coffee or whatever+ waterproofs & woolly hats as its' cold on the top of even a small mountain! Everyone welcome, including dogs on leads.

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What can we do ? Composting: There is no need to send food waste to landfills. Decomposed food can become excellent fertilizer for your garden. Set up a compost bin and learn about the need for brown and green layers to help with the decomposition. You can then use these materials to aid in the growth of your own food.....also consider products with compostable packaging. **Buy local and buy wonky:** Going to farmer's markets and buying straight from the grower is a great way to reduce the wastage in supermarkets and large shops. Your local farm shop will be much more mindful of the use of their stock, and any waste is often recycled back into the farm. Also, buying food that looks less than perfect shows commitment to preventing unneeded waste. Be the person that rebels against this strange idea that all food must loo perfect and realize that it all looks the same when cooked on your plate or digesting in your stomach. The good news is that this "less than perfect" food is often cheaper too!