

Patrick, Glen Maye & Dalby

Weekly News sheet: 27th-4th Dec. Second Sunday in Advent



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 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.

As the weather turns colder, we hold before God the Homeless on the Island, those who are sleeping rough on the streets, as well as those in their own homes facing fuel poverty, unable to heat their homes. We remember the work of charities and organisations helping the homeless, and give thanks for all who support this work through donations of goods, clothes and money

This second Sunday of Advent we dwell on Peace : knowing full well that peace is elusive and in some parts of the world it is almost completely absent. But during Advent we trust that God is *never* absent from us. God is always preparing something new. And even where there is war and discord, whether between countries, within families, or within our own hearts, God is present, gently leading us to new possibilities. We pray for the peace of our World and for all who are peace makers.

Peace Deal agreed in Ethiopia : We give thanks that the Ethiopian Government and leaders from the Tigray region in the North of the country have agreed to end the two years of conflict. And we pray for all people, all nations caught up in conflict around the world. We remember the suffering of innocent civilians, the loss of loved ones, homes and security, and we pray for Gods Spirit of Healing and Peace in our World.

Today's readings :

Isaiah 11.1-10
Romans 15.4-13

Psalms 72.1-7,18,19*
Matthew 3.1-12

People of Peace

In a world that seems stretched to breaking point with tension, aggression, terrorism, war and strikes, this week, the Second Sunday of Advent, we focus on peace. The heart of God. The Creator of all things calls us into unity with Him, and the pathway to this? ... Is through unity with one another. The very concept of mans' alienation to one another is an anathema to Him. He created us not only as brothers and sisters, but as part of the wholeness of His vision of the interconnectedness of Creation. We are preparing to welcome into our hearts the "Prince of Peace" and so the practice of peace is to be the hallmark of Christ's disciples. Few of us are in a position to have any influence over the strategies of war, nor are we often called upon to be peace-makers over the disputes of others, but we are all invited to dwell in the inner peace of God that we may know and be that peace in ourselves and in our lives.

Thoughts to ponder

Ultimately, we have just one moral duty: to reclaim large areas of peace in ourselves, more and more peace, and to reflect it towards others. And the more peace there is in us, the more peace there will be in our troubled world.

Etty Hillesum

First keep peace within yourself, then you can also bring peace to others.

Thomas à Kempis

A great many people are trying to make peace, but that has already been done. God has not left it for us to do; all we have to do is enter into it.

Dwight L. Moody

Sunday Services for next week. 11th Dec : 3rd Sunday of Advent

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

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| Kirk Patrick: | 10.30am | Morning Worship: | Graham McAll |
| Glen Maye: | 6.30am | Morning Worship | Rev. Jo Smart |
| Dalby: | 6.30pm | Candlelit Taize Worship | Cheryl Cousins |

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

Wardens: Mac Beckerson 845385. John Parr 842618

Minister for Glen Maye : Rev'd Johanna Smart : 842202 & Rev'd Dr Janet Corlett 07624 301910

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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 .
any of these events.....*

- **Sun 4th: 6.30pm: Candlelit Carol Service at Glen Maye Methodist Chapel.** Followed by tea & mince pies! Everyone welcome
- **Mon Dec 6th : Patrick Coffee Stop in the Garden Rooms from 10am.**
- **Thurs 8th : Meditation at Dalby:** A time for inner stillness and silence as we prepare ourselves for the Coming of the Prince of Peace,
- **Fri 2nd Dec: Glen Maye & Toddler group: 9:30 to 11:30** every Friday in Term-time.
- **Sat 10th 10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. Your Jesse Tree - an Advent quiet morning.** The Jesse Tree is an old Advent tradition dating from Medieval times but originating in Isaiah 11:1.. In this quiet morning Rev Sue Watterson will introduce us to the Jesse tree. Refreshments will be served from 9.30 a.m. There's option to stay on for a simple soup and roll lunch and then to enjoy the peace of the house. Suggested contribution of £15 for the morning. To Book Contact : 609299 or email : welcome@retreathouse.im
- **Sat 10th: Saturday Night Movies at Dalby; 7.30pm : Phantom of the Open (Cert. 12.** 100 mins) A film with Mark Rylance and Sally Hawkins is bound to be good. This 'uproarious comedy' (the Telegraph) tells the remarkable story of Maurice Flitcroft, a crane operator from Barrow-in-Furness who managed to gain entry to the 1975 British Open despite never having played a round of golf before and despite the disapproval of the golfing elite. Everyone welcome, bring friends & your own wine/beer. Refreshments will be provided. No need to book. Donations to help cover ongoing costs are always much appreciated. Thanks.
- **Sun 11th:Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols 3.00pm at The Cathedral :** with the Cathedral Choir join us for all your favourite carols and descants! Arrive early to get a seat. Doors open at 2.30pm.
- **Tue 13th . 'When We Wonder'** gathering for a storytelling session at Thie dy Vea Ballawattleworth House, Tynwald Road, Peel. IM5 1JP . Arrive for 7pm for refreshments followed with story and wondering 7:30 -8:30 donations towards the costs for the evening is much appreciated.



Christmas in the West: Events & Services



- **Sat 17th : Trinity Methodist. 11am. Isle of Man Scouts, and Girl Guiding IoM warmly invite you to a annual peace Light service** A Candle was lit in Bethlehem and the light shared. Scots and Girl Guides from many nations took it across the world. Representatives from the Island will collect it and bring it here. Join us this Christmas as we celebrate Global peace Together. Please bring an old cardboard box with you! Everyone welcome
- **Sun 18th : at Dalby schoolrooms : 5.30pm : Community Carols by Candlelight** with mince pies & hot punch by the fireside.
- **Sun18th: at Patrick Church :6.30pm Carol Service** (traditional seven lessons and carols with refreshments
- **Thurs 22nd : The BBC Nativity Film at Dalby 7.00pm.** Cert 12. approx. 2hrs. We're inviting you to come and be challenged, intrigued, enchanted as you hear this familiar story in a new way! Refreshments will be provided, feel free to bring your own wine/beer. A brilliant film, written by Tony Jordan script writer for East Enders.
- **Christmas Eve : Sat. 24th: at the Cathedral: 5.00pm Crib and Christingle**
- **Sat 24th: at Dalby Church 6.00pm: Come Travel with us to Bethlehem :** a chance for a candlelit family gathering as we meet those who were at the stable in Bethlem and hear their storylasts approx. 45mins.
- **Sat 24th at Patrick Church: 7pm Christmas Eve Communion**
- **Sat 24th: At Dalby Church: 11.30pm: Candlelit Communion**
- **Sat 24th: at the Cathedral : 11.30pm Midnight Mass with Bishop Peter Eagles**
- **Christmas Day Sun 25th : at Patrick Church 10.30am Christmas Family Service.**
- **Sun 25th; At the Cathedral: 8.30am BCP Said Eucharist & 10.30am Christmas Day Choral Eucharist**

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

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