

Sunday 4th July 2021 ~ 5th Sunday after Trinity

Services this Sunday are 10.30am Marown BCP MP, 11am Foxdale Messy Church
& 6.30pm Baldwin BCP HC

Next Sunday 11th July services are 10.30am Marown Celtic Communion & 6.30pm Baldwin BCP EP

This week.....

***Calling all Godparents and God children Messy Church at Foxdale this Sunday is celebrating God parents and children. It would be lovely to hear of your experiences of encouraging or being encouraged as we share fellowship, and some activities. Remember Messy church is NOT a substitute for Sunday School. It's a time for all ages to learn and share together, pray and reflect and enjoy.**

***Saturday (3 July) until Mon 5 July, between 11am - 4.30pm is the IoM Flower Festival at St John's Mill.** Thirty exhibitors, including an arrangement by our parish, are included. Entry is free, see the leaflets for more details, there are some in each of our churches. **Also, there is a Green Pilgrimage across most churches in the Western Mission Partnership, including Old St Runius.** There will be an opportunity to learn about the ecology of the churchyard and see some wonderful and creative displays inside the church itself. There is also an information 'passport' about the other churches taking part in this event. Please do call in and see what our volunteers have done.

*PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

Event on Tynwald Hill St John's, Tuesday 6th July, 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Churches Alive in Mann (CAiM) has just received permission to host an evening of prayer at Tynwald Hill. During our national week this is an exciting opportunity for all of us to come together and to pray for the Isle of Man and beyond. The structure of the evening will be as follows:

7pm Welcome, practicalities and introductions. Reading of Psalm 24 to declare the sovereignty of God.

This will be followed by five ten-minute slots in which we pray for the following:

- *Politicians and those in authority/elections.*
- *Peace and Prosperity/Economy and Society*
- *Care Providers*
- *Education and Young People*
- *The Church*

The evening will end with a blessing and commission to go with confidence and hope to be light bearers in our own communities.

Prayer changes things, so we hope that you will wish to support this evening. If you can't travel to St John's you may still wish to pause prayerfully, at home, to support the gathering.

***Chapter Court meets on Thursday 8th July 7.30pm at St George's & All Saints Douglas. Churchwardens will be sworn into office and there will be an act of worship. All are welcome to attend and support our wardens.**

*The next ISN meeting will take place on Saturday 10 July at St John's Mill, from 10.00am - 1.00pm. (£5 donation please to cover costs)

The guest speaker will be Revd Steve Ingrouille, who, in partnership with his wife Revd Rebecca, has oversight for Onchan, Abbeylands, Baldrine, Cooil, Laxey and Union Mills. Revds Steve and Rebecca have been in ministry on the island since 2016, both having served in the Cheshire Sth Methodist Circuit after ordination. To whet our appetites, Steve has sent the following:

Jesus promises his followers that "wherever two or three gather in my name, there am I with them" (Matt 18:20)

So why does it sometimes feel easier to experience the presence of God in certain specific places and times?

Our Celtic forebears believed in Thin Places, where the boundary between the physical and spiritual realms seems more permeable - what do we understand about this concept today?

Drawing upon his experiences as a Pilgrimage leader to the Holy Land, and the results of his recent sabbatical exploration, Steve will use the lenses of Scripture, Tradition, Experience, and Reason to help us explore this topic and prayerfully consider "what are the thin places of our lives today".

***Manx Festival Chorus** presents Petite Messe Solennelle by Rossini at St George's Church 10th July 7.30pm. Admission is on the door £10 (£2 under 18s & concessions)

Coming up.....

***Marown Rose Queen** will this year be part of Marown Parish Day which is Sunday 18th July, the Rose Parade beginning at 1.15pm. If you know of any children who would like to take part, or any adults that can help with the event please contact Canon Janice. Rehearsals for the children will be 6.30pm 9th & 13th July at the Millennium Hall

*The Revd Alessandra di Chiara has set some dates for Pastoral Care training for the summer and autumn. If you would like to know more or are interested in attending one of the courses please contact Canon Janice.

The dates are follows: Summer course Session 1 - Sat 10th July 10am - 4pm Session 2 - Sat 21st Aug 10am - 4pm
Autumn Course Session 1 Sat 18th Sept 10am - 4pm Session 2 Sat 2nd Oct 10am – 4pm

*Foxdale Soup Lunch 12noon-2pm Friday 16th July, delicious homemade soup, bread & cake. This will be the last soup lunch until September.

*Rev. Alex Brown here - as a teeny weeny new church (Pioneer, under the Church of England), we have hired the Mill Conference Centre in St. John's in September and October, to show the first series of the incredible **new Bible series "The Chosen"**.

The series is fiction, but tries to remain faithful to the Bible account of the lives of those who surrounded the life of Jesus. Events in the series often take places in the spaces the Bible leaves to our imagination. It's a brilliant opportunity to develop and grow faith. The screenings of the episodes are free and you sign up on-line afterwards there will be about an hour to talk with each other about what it made them think or feel, pray together and go home. A donation for the refreshments is all we ask each time.

If you would like to attend please sign up via the eventbrite page (included below) or talk to Canon Janice if you need help with that.

For a peek at the series here's the link to the chosen website: [The Chosen TV Series \(angelstudios.com\)](http://angelstudios.com)

Here's the link to our eventbrite page: [The Chosen Season 1 Community Screenings Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)

People need to book in for each week, not just one week.

Also.....

* **What is a Reader?** Readers have been around for over 150 years - after a priest it's the oldest licenced post in the Church of England. Within the CofE there are over 10,000 Readers. If you're interested in using your God-given gifts for the Church or wider community, pick up a copy of the **booklet 'Resourcing Sunday to Saturday Faith'**, available in each church, setting out a renewed vision for Reader/ Local Lay Ministry.

If you wish to explore Reader/ LLM Ministry please have a read of this booklet, and then contact Canon Janice or Warden of Readers Dr. Graham McAll or phone 840813 grahammcall@gmail.com

During this week we pray...

*for our island nation, our government-locally and nationally, and for those organisations and institutions that promote our heritage and culture, and for the celebrations of Tynwald Day.



*for those involved with the IOM Flower Festival and Green Pilgrimage, those who have produced displays and all who will visit them as well as for our natural environment & for ways to tread more lightly on God's earth as we learn to think more smartly about our human activity.

*for people across our parish who are vulnerable or struggling, those suffering in body, mind or spirit, remembering those in hospital, hospice, care homes and those awaiting treatment or diagnosis.

*As our borders open a little wider we hold our Island Community before God and pray for our safe-keeping as we welcome friends, family and visitors back to our shores. We pray that this may be a place of blessing and healing, that they may receive full restoration of body mind and spirit after their long lockdowns and isolation.

From amongst our own fellowships, we continue to pray for those we know to be ill, suffering the frailties of age or disease, friends or family awaiting treatment or operations and those recovering from accident or illness, as well as the lonely and grieving. May they know God's presence.

Don't forget.....

*Vaccines - we all appreciate the hope for a better future with the control of the corona virus thanks to the roll out of the vaccines, given to us through our NHS. We have been invited to donate to UNICEF to help their ambitious

scheme to deliver two billion Covid-19 vaccines to health workers and the most high-risk people on our planet. Please follow the website link <https://www.unicef.org.uk/donate/coronavirus>.



*Manx Radio this Sunday at 9.30am is a half-hour programme by Judith Ley. Judith shows that Christian churches of all denominations on the Isle of Man are alive and well and doing great things! Join her for inspiring stories, interesting interviews, great music and moments for quiet reflection.

*Daily HOPE is a free phonenumber prayer and worship service (0800 804 8044) with a special greeting from the Archbishop of Canterbury then a choice from a range of options, updated daily from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England's weekly national online service. A section called Hymn Line will also offer callers a small selection of hymns, again updated daily.

* for further information please visit our Facebook page or website www.marownchurch.im or The Church of England website www.churchofengland.org and the diocesan site www.sodorandman.im