

9th October 2022 ~ 17th Sunday after Trinity

& Marown Harvest Festival

Services this Sunday; 10.30am Marown Harvest Festival* & 6.30pm Baldwin BCP EP

Services next Sunday; 11am Crosby Methodist Chapel Harvest (no service at Marown Church)

& 6.30pm Baldwin Healing Service

***Harvest Festival at Marown Parish Church, any donations of food will go to the Foodbank so packeted and tinned items only please.**

Cash collections for the service on 9th Oct at Marown will go to the Diocesan Harvest Appeal raising money for the Food Security and Livelihoods programme run by the Anglican Council of Malawi, providing vulnerable small holders with training and resources to increase their income and make sure they grow plenty of food to feed their families. Going without food could have a serious impact on whether children will finish school. Just by being well-fed, they could have the chance to make the best of their education setting them up for real success in the future.

Thank you to 'Women in Song' for their concert in Marown Church on Friday evening, £163 was raised for church funds. Also, thank you to Revd Steven Herron for his talk in September about the Air Ambulance which raised £445 to be equally divided between church funds and the Air Ambulance.

The final total for the 'Ride and Stride' sponsored cycle for church funds was £375.00, thank you to all those who generously donated.

The 'Living in Love' discernment project, which some of you might have engaged with in the spring this year, has now entered the reflection stage amongst our Bishops.

They will have the next few months to consider the responses of the wider church family (that's us in the pews, especially if we attended a study course or joined in on-line) and to meet together to pray and meditate on their personal and collective thoughts.

These will then be reported to the spring 2023 General Synod.

A report called "Listening with Love and Faith: Gathered responses from churchwide engagement", is available here: <https://www.churchofengland.org/media/28112>

If you would like a printed copy of the report, they may be ordered here:

<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/features/living-in-love-and-faith>

A more detailed technical report, "Listening with Love and Faith: Gathered responses in detail", is available here: <https://www.churchofengland.org/media/28113>

The week ahead and beyond.....

*Monday 10th Oct 7pm PCC meeting at Marown Church.

*13th October – Talk by Paul Craine ‘Pollution, Climate Change and Faith’ 7.00pm at St John’s Parish Church Hall.

*Cathedral concerts: The next concert of the autumn series is on Saturday 15th October at 7.00pm and will be given by Jazz and Gospel singer Adele Dube and her band.

And on Saturday 22nd October: Vivaldi’s Gloria presented by the Cathedral Choir, the boys and men of Liverpool Cathedral Choir and the Kirk Michael Orchestra. Tickets: £10 at the door (in aid of the Cathedral reordering). Time at be confirmed.

*Fairtrade Sale: The Fairtrade sale will be held at the Cooil Methodist Chapel Hall on 27th – 29th October from 10am to 6.30pm each day. A simple lunch is also available each day from 12-2pm.

This week we pray for...

*this Season of Harvest Festivals as we give thanks to our Creator God for the beauty, diversity and abundance given to us. We give thanks for the unity, harmony and interconnection of creation, for the balance of the seasons, and for the farmers who have worked for generations as stewards of the land. We give thanks for the great privilege of living on this amazing Island and pray that we may be good stewards of it for future generations.



* people in our parish who are vulnerable or struggling, especially those concerned about the cost-of-living crisis, we pray too for vulnerable local businesses at this time of rising costs.

* those people who find the autumn and winter seasons stressful or difficult to cope with, may God grant them peace of heart and mind.

*people ill at home, in hospital, hospice or nursing homes, that they will receive the care & support they need, particularly for those on long waiting lists for treatment & diagnosis.

*the people of Ukraine in their suffering, loss, and the devastation of their lives. And we pray for a unified desire for peace that this aggression will escalate no further. We remember before God all people who live in the desolation of war. All people who find themselves refugees, with no rights and no security. 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 all may live with a greater empathy and respect for one another.

*the millions of people who still remain affected by the wave of destruction left by Super Typhoon Noru in South-East Asia last week. Many have lost their homes and livelihoods. Tearfund are working with their local partner churches in the Philippines and Thailand to support people in the aftermath. We pray for provision of food, water and shelter for those affected and that they will be able to reach all in need.

From amongst our own fellowships, we continue to pray for those known personally to us who need God's healing and restorative grace. May they know Christ's peace.



*On Manx Radio, Sunday at 9.30am 'Praise' is a half-hour programme by Judith Ley who shares inspiring stories, interesting interviews, great music and moments for quiet reflection across the Christian denominations of our island.

* 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