

5th February 2023 – 3rd Sunday before Lent

Services for Sunday 5th February; 10.30am at Marown, BCP MP & 6.30pm Baldwin, BCP HC

Services next Sunday 12th February; 10.30am at Marown, BCP HC with guest speaker
& 6.30pm at Baldwin, BCP EP

In the next few weeks.....

*Old Kirk Braddan snowdrop teas on the afternoons of Sunday 5th Feb and Sunday 12th Feb, 2.30 to 4.00pm. Cost £5. Organised by Friends of Old Kirk Braddan.

***Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting in Foxdale Primary School on Thursday. We invite people with ideas for the future usage of the building to send them to Canon Janice via email by 16th February. Once we have all ideas and suggestions the PCC can review them and consult with the Church Commissioners.**

*Sat 11th: Dalby Movies: "Once" Cert 15- 83 mins 7.30pm. A Valentine's specialThe musical was performed at the Gaiety in 2022; come see the original film. 'Once' is the inspirational tale of two kindred spirits who find each other through their shared passion for music. Feel free to bring your own wine / beer, other refreshments available. No need to book in advance, donations to help cover costs are always greatly appreciated.

***Sunday 19th February 10.30am, Marown Church holds the Civic Service for Marown Commissioners, all residents of the parish are invited to attend.**

*Sun 19th Feb: We're inviting you to join us for An exclusive Snowdrop Tea at Dalby schoolrooms from 3.00pm. With a selection of homemade sandwiches, cakes, meringues, eclairs and cream scones, so come hungry ☺ Booking in advance @ £15.00 per person is essential. Please ring Gilly on 844031 and let us know if you have any special dietary requirements. If you're planning on coming with friends, please book as a group so that we can seat you together. There will be pots of snowdrops available for sale from the

schoolrooms. Proceeds after costs go to our Restoration Fund & our two charities for this year - Arlo's Adventure, supporting Manx families in hospital in England as well as those who have lost a child. And the Manx charity Hands of Hope operating in Romania working directly with refugees from Ukraine and those affected by the Russian Invasion.

***Would you be able to help?? The "Environment Action Group in conjunction with Churches Alive in Mann and other Eco organisations are organising an All Age "We Care" Eco Workshop over half term on Friday 24th February from 10.30am – 4pm (details below) at the Cathedral and are inviting as many people as possible to come help us host this, to welcome, chat, help with crafts and refreshments, to encourage and engage with people throughout the day. Would you be able to join us for some of that time? Please get in touch with Cheryl Cousins if you'd like to help. To find out about the Environment Action Group please see www.eag.im**

***All Age Eco Workshop over half term on Friday 24th February from 10.30am – 4pm**
Drop in any time between 10.30am-4pm at the Manx Nature Show in the Cathedral IoM for an interactive workshop, eco conversations and craft activities linked to the Island's "We Care" eco campaign. Draw, paint, make paper-plate birds, beasts or butterflies as we celebrate the things we love and cherish in the natural world around us here on the Island, and across planet earth! Stay for as long or as little as you like. No charge, but donations to help cover costs are greatly appreciated. Refreshments will be provided. To help us with planning you can book ahead by contacting cherylcousins@manx.net..... or just drop by if you're passing.

***Wednesday 22nd February 7pm Marown Church Ash Wednesday Service with Holy Communion.**

Did you know....

***The IOM government have produced a booklet called 'IOM help for households' containing advice about coping with the cost of living and keeping warm. A copy of the booklet is on our**

website or you can go to: costoflivingsupport.gov.im or telephone 686262 which is the Winter Help Advice Line.

*Winter Warming Wednesdays In the **Corrin Hall**, Peel, 12 noon to 3.30pm every Wednesday until the end of March 2023. Soup and sandwiches served 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Eat what you want, pay what you can (via brown envelope so no one knows who has paid what) Help yourself to tea, coffee, biscuits between 12 noon to 12.30pm and 1.30pm to 3.30pm. Crafts, jigsaws & magazines will be available

*The Right Reverend Graeme Knowles, formerly Bishop of Sodor and Man (2002 -2007) has been appointed as Acting Dean of Chichester Cathedral. Bishop Graeme came to our Diocese having been Archdeacon of Portsmouth and then Dean of Carlisle. He left the island to become Dean of St Paul's, London and more lately was an Assistant Bishop and Dean of the cathedral church in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.

*we have been collecting used stamps for The Leprosy Mission for many years now via boxes at church. Sadly due to the drop in prices for selling on these stamps to collectors etc The Leprosy Mission will stop collecting them. We have until the end of March to put any stamps into our collecting boxes and pass on to them.

This week we pray...

*for the future of St Paul's Church, Foxdale.



*for our Western Mission Partnership and new ideas that will connect our churches more closely to our villages.

*for those people struggling with the cost of living and keeping warm.

*for those people ill at home, in hospital or in hospice, that God's healing grace will rest upon them. We thank God for those who have recovered from illness. We pray too for our emergency and medical services at this time of continued strain on their resources.

*for the many people and places around the world suffering from disasters, war and poverty. We pray for justice instead of oppression and corruption, safety and security instead of violence and aggression, a fairer sharing of the planet's resources instead of the imbalance that currently results in a huge gulf between the rich and poor.

Don't forget.....



*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