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CATHEDRAL
ISLE OF MAN

Visitor Information

Welcome to Cathedral Isle of Man

If you need a **large-print** hymn book or music edition please ask the welcomers.

Communion. If you are a practicing Christian of any denomination, and normally receive Communion in your home church, you are welcome to receive at the Lord's Altar.

Distribution of Communion: Congregants are advised to receive the host first from the President and then move to receive the chalice. The Welcomers will bring people up section by section and if you wish to stay seated in your place, we will come to you at the end of communion. If you do not wish to receive you are welcome to come for a blessing – indicating by holding your service book.

If you require a **gluten-free wafer**, or would like to receive communion seated, do let one of the stewards know. Because of cross contamination (for someone who is gluten free) we have taken the decision to ask that you **refrain from Intinction** (dipping) of the host into the chalice.

Refreshments will be served today after the service.

The **Toilet** facilities are through the Servedy.

8.30am BCP Said Eucharist

10. 30am Family Eucharist (Choristers)

See Special Service Sheet

Setting: Missa Brevis – *Grayston Ives*

Processional: **24** – Come, thou long expected Jesus

Gradual: **29** – Hills of the North, rejoice

Offertory: **591** – The kingdom of God is Justice and Joy

Anthem – How beautiful are the feet
- *G F Handel*

Final: **538** – O Jesus, I have promised

Voluntary: Aria – *Paul Manz*

3.30pm Choral Evensong (Schola)

Responses: *Radcliffe*

Psalm: 75.

Canticles: *Vann in e minor*

Anthem: Prepare ye the way of the Lord
- *Michael Wise*

Hymn: **371 (ii)** – All praise to our redeeming Lord

Voluntary: Praeludium in d Minor
- *Buxtehude*

Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen**

The first reading from Malachi 3: 1 – 4.

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. when the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

A reading from the Gospel of Luke 3: 1 – 6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be
made low,

and the crooked shall be made
straight,

and the rough ways made smooth;
and all flesh shall see the salvation of
God.”

Notices:

Apologies

The clock chimes are currently awaiting repair.

Announcement

The Revd. Joanna Fisher will be joining the Cathedral Benefice from the start of Lent 2025 with specific responsibility for St John's Church.

Prayer Ministry

We offer a ministry of Prayer after every 10.30am service, if you would like more details, please speak to Mary Biggart

Diocese of Jerusalem

There is a retiring collection through Advent for the Diocese of Jerusalem. This will help reconstruct social fabric in Gaza such as the Anglican hospital that serves all regardless of background

Food Bank

Please consider if you can donate any items for the Cathedral food bank. Tinned Fish, meat, Fruit vegetables, and soup. Bags of Pasta, Rice, and Packets of Cereals.

Home Visits

We already visit a number of people to bring home communion, if there is anyone else that would appreciate this, please contact Revd Mark - 338738.

Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Manx Support for Ukraine are looking to send Shoe Boxes for items for Children and Teenagers in Ukraine this Christmas. The sort of items requested are; Sweets/ Chocolates, Hats/ Scarves/ Gloves, Stationary/ Toiletries, Hand/ Head torches/ Batteries, Small toy (cuddly/ fidget/ gadget). Personal Message. Further details available at the table at the back of the Cathedral.

Bishops of Man and the Isles

The Names on the Cathedral Floor

Conan 600 - He died 26th January, A.D. 648. He had the tuition of Eugenius, King of Scotland, and his three sons. A law is said to have been ordained by him that the heirs-apparent of Scotland should be educated in this island, under the eye of its bishops for the time being.

FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sunday 8th December. Tickets available from Jackie after the morning service today for a Christmas Raffle. We already have two hampers one large and one Chocolate. Please see Jackie for tickets or if you want to contribute any other prizes. Draw will happen on the 15th of December.

Wednesday 11th December : - 10am – 12 Noon. At Thie dy Vie: *O Come, O Come Immanuel*. An invitation to take time out during the busy season and find some time for stillness and encouragement. There will be the opportunity to stay on for a simple soup and roll lunch. Refreshments will be served from 9.30 a.m. We invite a donation of £10 for the morning session. Donations towards the cost of lunch welcome. To help us with catering arrangements, please book by Monday 9th December. welcome@retreathouse.im

Saturday 14th December – 4pm – 5pm. Advent reflection at the deanery. Week 3 of 4. Please let Rev Mark know if you are coming.

Moon 2025

You may have seen Gaia at St Thomas' in Douglas earlier in the year. The sister artwork, The Moon, is coming to the Cathedral from 10th Feb-2nd March. There will be opportunities to act as welcomers and help with refreshments. You may have ideas as to how we can engage with different groups of people, to encourage them to come to visit - or for an event that could take place under The Moon. Ideas and offers of help, please, to Rosemary rosemary.clarke@googlemail.com

The Week Ahead

Monday to Saturday:

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Cathedral

Monday:

10.00am – 4.00pm Gardening Club

12noon – 2.00pm Big Table Café

Corrin Hall

Tuesday:

10.30am Executive Team

Deanery

Wednesday:

9.00am Said Eucharist

Cathedral

5:30pm Monastic Evening Prayer

Corrin Hall

7.30pm Cathedral choir and Wurlitzer *Villa, Douglas*

Thursday:

4.00pm Choristers rehearsal

Song School

Friday:

7.30pm Bell ringing practice

Tower

Saturday:

2.00pm – 3.00pm Lay Clerks rehearsal

Song School

4.00pm Advent reflections – week 2 of 4

Deanery

Next Sunday 15th December 3rd Sunday in Advent

8.30am BCP Said Eucharist

10.30am Cathedral Eucharist (Cantor)

3.30pm Festival of Nine lessons and Carols
(Full Cathedral Choir)

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Disabled Car Parking

Parking in the area of the War Memorial, accessed by the Atholl Street Gates, is **STRICTLY** for 'service vehicles' and those with disability permits. The Cathedral will provide permits for those requiring them.

Christmas Gift Cards for Sale

For a unique Christmas present, for those family members who have fond memories of the Cathedral and who have everything £70 buys the name of a Bishop on the Cathedral floor. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity, once they are bought they are your piece of the Cathedral for ever. There are beautiful card certificates for each one.

There are about 35 remaining.

There are also some parish names that have still not acquired an owner. These cost £150.

The list of names remaining is at the back of the Cathedral.

There are also Gift Cards for smaller items – LED light replacement £10.

Bank Details:

The Cathedral Quarter Trust

Sort Code: 55-91-00

A/C No. 12925802

QR Code for the purchase anything at the Cathedral, Giving, Gifts, Refreshments, Bookstall

