

Services at St Peter's

Holy Communion:	BCP Each Sunday	8.00 am
	CW 1 st , 3 rd & 5 th	11.00 am
	BCP 4 th Sunday	6.30 pm
	Wednesday	10.30 am
	Holy Days (as announced)	
Morning Prayer:	CW 2 nd Sunday	11.00 am
Family Service:	4 th Sunday of each month	11.00 am
Evening Prayer:	BCP 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & 5 th Sundays	6.30 pm
Midweek Service with Ministry of Healing:	<i>Every two months (Sept, Nov, Jan, March, May & July) date as advertised on noticeboard</i>	7.30 pm
All Age Worship:	2 nd Sunday of each month	4.00 pm

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals – By arrangement.

Vicar:

The Revd Canon Malcolm Convery

The Vicarage

Church Road

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Parish Clerk:

Mrs Jane Cretney

Parish Office

Office Hours

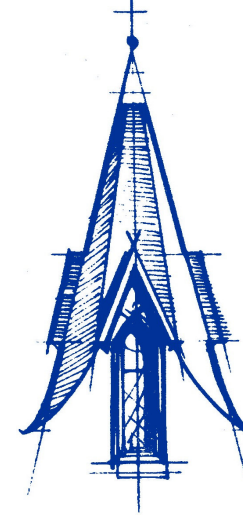
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Monthly Review November 2005



*St. Peter's Parish Church
Kirk Onchan*

To be central to the life of Onchan,
Providing a Christian Witness,
Worship and Welcome to all.

Dear Friends,

I was thinking of some of the people I have met recently when a picture came to my mind – a picture of a beautiful vase standing in a porch.

One day a friend who was visiting the house, and who was in a hurry, rushed passed the vase and caught it with her foot. It fell over and smashed on the tiled floor, breaking into a multitude of small, sharp pieces.

A word came to my mind: Brokenness

Brokenness hurts.

That broken vase caused much hurt: the person who knocked it over was deeply hurt, the owner of the vase was devastated (it was a wedding present from 40 years ago) and the pieces had the potential to hurt.

You may be wondering what this has got to do with the people I was thinking about. Well each of them brought home to me the brokenness of many people's lives.

One person was Rob Parsons – the head of Care for the Family – who spoke on Family Issues to an audience of over 200 at Mount Murray. He dealt with issues that cause hurting in families, especially broken relationships, and what steps can be taken to repair the brokenness.

Another meeting I attended was addressed by a member from the Alcohol Advisory Council who was able to share stories of brokenness caused by alcohol abuse. Often it is because of brokenness in the first place that people turn to alcohol.

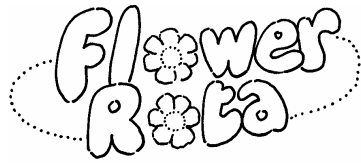
Then there was a family I came across whose lives had been devastated by bereavement, drug abuse and broken relationships. At this moment in time their lives are in pieces, like that broken vase. Fortunately there is someone who cares deeply about our brokenness and who can bring about healing. That person is our Lord Jesus Christ. In his time on earth he healed many broken lives and since returning to his Father in heaven he has commissioned his followers and the church to continue his ministry.

The beginning of the healing of brokenness is love and acceptance. Jesus loved the unlovable. He accepted the outcast. Their lives were transformed.

DIARY for November



1 st	Tues	2.00 pm	Mothers' Union – Parish Hall
		7.30 pm	Key Group 2 – 42 Groudle Road
2 nd	Wed	7.30 pm	Key Group – 76 King Edward Road
		8.00 pm	Ladies Fellowship – Parish Hall
3 rd	Thurs	7.00 pm	Pastoral Visitors Meeting - Vicarage
4 th	Fri	1.30 pm	Mums & Tots – Parish Hall
5 th	Sat	10.00 am	Onchan Community Scheme – Coffee Morning at Liverpool Arms tickets £2
6 th	Sun		
7 th	Mon	7.45 pm	Key Group – 2 Wentworth Close
8 th	Tue	7.30 pm	Key Group 1 - Woodlands
		7.30 pm	Key Group 2 – 59 Windermere Drive
9 th	Wed	7.15 pm	Ladies Fellowship - Observatory
		7.30 pm	Key Group – Dellbrae, Laxey
10 th	Thurs	7.30 pm	PCC – Parish Office
11 th	Fri	1.30 pm	Mums & Tots – Parish Hall
12 th	Sat		
13 th	Sun	10.00 am	Remembrance Service
		4.00 pm	All Age Worship
14 th	Mon	7.45 pm	Key Group – 2 Wentworth Close
15 th	Tue	2.00 pm	Mothers' Union – Parish Hall
		7.30 pm	Key Group 1 – Yn Balley, Union Mills
		7.30 pm	Key Group 2 – 42 Groudle Road
16 th	Wed	7.30 pm	Key Group – 16 Highfield Crescent
		8.00 pm	Ladies Fellowship – Parish Hall
17 th	Thurs	7.30 pm	AGM of Churches Together in Mann – Citadel
		7.30 pm	Evening Mothers' Union – Clay Workshop At 76 King Edward Road Tel: 616039 to book
18 th	Fri	1.30 pm	Mums & Tots – Parish Hall
19 th	Sat		
20 th	Sun		
21 st	Mon		
22 nd	Tue	7.00 pm	Midweek Service with Ministry of Healing Followed by a hotpot supper in the Vicarage
23 rd	Wed	7.30 pm	Baby Goods Sale – Parish Hall
24 th	Thurs	6.30 pm	Choir Practice – Church
		7.30 pm	Synod – Manx Museum
25 th	Fri	1.30 pm	Mums & Tots – Parish Hall
26 th	Sat		
27 th	Sun	6.30 pm	Advent Carol Service
		7.30 pm	Choir Practice - Church
28 th	Mon	7.30 pm	CMS 'Christmas Around the World' Service Followed by refreshments at Braddan
		7.45 pm	Key Group – 2 Wentworth Close
29 th	Tue	7.30 pm	Key Group 1 – 78 Summerhill Road
		7.30 pm	Key Group 2 – 7 Third Avenue
30 th	Wed	12 noon	Friendship Lunch – Parish Hall
		7.30 pm	Key Group - 76 King Edward Road



The flower rota for November is as follows:

6 th		Mrs E. Cory
13 th		Remembrance Sunday
20 th		Mrs M. Cooper
27 th	In memory-Mort Family	Mrs S. Brew



**PRAYER DIARY
NOVEMBER, 2005**

6 th	The Diocese of Sodor and Man	Sunningdale Drive, Falkland Drive, Douglas Bay Apartments
13 th	Armed Services & British Legion	Central Drive, Furman Close, Furman Road, Greeba Drive
20 th	The Mission of St. Peter's	Abbeylands, Tromode
27 th	The Recently Baptised	Creg-ny-Baa, Begoade, Whitebridge, Little Mill

We were reminded of this by our CMS Mission Partner, Cyprian Yoruba who spoke at the All Age Service about his work with the community in Harper Hey, Manchester – an area described as the worst area in Britain.

Cyprian and his fellow workers in that area don't see it this way, and neither does God. Through God's eyes the people of this area have great potential, after all, we are made in God's image to reflect his glory. Cyprian described it as 'treasure'. Cyprian's prayer is that he may have 'God's eyes' and no doubt he would add 'God's heart' also.

Bringing the love of God to bear through Jesus on broken lives can bring about a healing of the brokenness and restoration to wholeness.

This is what the gospel is all about. This is why the church exists – to shed the love of God abroad.

May we seek to see people through God's eyes and respond in love that we might witness healing and restoration in our midst, and that we may give the glory to God.

Yours sincerely in Jesus Name,

CMS

I would appreciate it if anyone with a CMS box could return it to the Parish Office before Sunday 20th November. Thank you.

'Christmas Around the World' Service at Braddan on Monday 28th November at 7.30 pm, followed by refreshments. Christians of different denominations and nationalities, who now live on the Island, have been invited to contribute.

**MIDWEEK SERVICE WITH MINISTRY OF HEALING
TUESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER AT 7.00 PM
FOLLOWED BY A HOTPOT SUPPER IN THE VICARAGE
ALL WELCOME**

SUPPER TICKETS £2 available in Church

**PLEASE NOTE CLOSING DATE
FOR ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN NEXT REVIEW
21st November, 2005**

MOTHERS' UNION



The evening Mothers' Union started their new programme with a well attended meeting, including some gentlemen. All heard a very interesting talk of the work of Mission Aviation Fellowship. For the October meeting EMU's hosted a family beetle drive. November will see everyone once again enjoying one of Wendy's famous Clay Workshops. Don't forget to let Wendy know if you are going. The afternoon group enjoyed a visit from Margaret Cubbon who brought along MU cards and gifts. To begin Margaret talked us through all the books and leaflets that are produced by MU to aid the work of MU. Then it was time to buy, Margaret had been a head teacher so she had brought along her school bell she told us she used to ring it and tell the children 'it was time to play' today she was ringing it and saying 'ladies its time to buy' and buy we did. Our second meeting in October saw the Vicar coming to share with us some Manx Memories. This proved to be a very entertaining afternoon down Memory Lane and brought back many memories for a lot of our members.

Jane Cretney went along to her first Island Council meeting as our branch secretary and was given a warm welcome along with other new MU officials. At St. Peter's we are well represented at Council with seven of our members now on Council, two of them being the MU representatives at the Joint Women's Council.

Valerie Convery, Branch Leader

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

The Ladies Group has started the winter session with two good meetings.

In November we have three meetings –
the 1st is a Poem and Pudding evening
the 2nd a visit to the observatory (meet at Parish Hall at 7.15 pm)
the 3rd a talk on Pets as Therapy

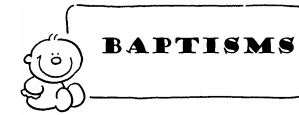
CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL

Thank you to those who filled shoe boxes and to those who gave donations for the above appeal.

15 boxes have been passed to Steve and Alison Taylor on behalf of the "Drop Inn Ministries" for onward transmission to Belarus.

Hazel Johnson

FROM THE REGISTERS



Eleanor Leonie Christian, Charlotte Louise Guest,
Charlotte Evans, Joseph Paul Marsden

Funerals

Ivor Clement Treby, Kathleen Selma Kissack,
Ivy Stevenson Barnes,
Doris Muriel Bell, Claire Amanda Mooney



The offertory for September totalled £4,754.83 and was made up of
£3,872.38 pledged giving and £882.45 of loose plate giving.

Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - WE NEED YOUR HELP

Stalls this year will include cakes, gifts, raffles, bottle, chocolate, & Christmas items, but we are not having second hand bric-a-brac or books. So please keep the day free (Saturday 3rd December) – see what you can donate to stock the stalls, and all offers of help to set up will be much appreciated. Bottles, chocolate sweets, etc. for the stalls can be left at the back of Church.

Please support the
Onchan Parish Hall Appeal

RECIPE BOOKS
containing
MOUTHWATERING RECIPES
with
BEAUTIFUL ILLUSTRATIONS
go
ON SALE SOON AT ONLY
£9.99

SOLVE YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENT PROBLEMS!

Place your advanced order(s)
by telephoning Jane on (675797)

MANX CHRISTMAS at WOODLANDS
Buffet Dinner with wine

SATURDAY 10TH DECEMBER
at 7.00 pm

In aid of
ONCHAN PARISH HALL APPEAL

Entertainment
With John Kennaugh, Master of Ceremonies

RAFFLE

TICKETS £20

Phone 675797 to reserve your ticket(s)
Numbers limited to 100

PARISH HALL APPEAL

A big thank you to everyone who supplied goods, bought goods, or helped in anyway with the Silent Auction. The event raise approx £600.

The recipe book is at the printers and we look forward to delivery in the next few weeks. Following the Harvest services the congregations were able to sample cakes and sweets from the recipe book. The Appeal Committee would like to thank the ladies who very kindly supplied samples of their cake/sweet recipes. Thanks also to Bob and Doreen Corrin who supplied and made the wonderful Hot Punch (recipe also in the book) following the Harvest Songs of Praise. Our grateful thanks must also go to Miss Jean Davie who has provided all the artwork in the book which is truly magnificent. This book is one to treasure so order one for yourself and also for your friends for Christmas!

The Choir at St. Peter's have recorded a C.D. which is in the final stages of production and will be available before Christmas at the price of £10. Again you can reserve your copies by telephoning Jane on 675797.

Why not give the men on your Christmas list C.D.'s for Christmas and the ladies a copy of the recipe book. Problem solved!!!

Tickets are on sale for Manx Christmas at Woodlands which again promises to be a wonderful evening. Good food, wine and entertainment all for £20 ticket. Come and help celebrate the Final event for the Appeal.

FRIENDLY LUNCH

Home made soups-desserts-coffee

12 noon to 1.30 p.m.

on Wednesday

30th November

in

The Parish Hall, Royal Avenue, Onchan

£3 - All Welcome

GUEST PREACHER :

Sunday 13th November 6.30 pm Graham Crowder
(Reader: All Saints)

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO PRAY?

All Christians are called to pray you may say, and so we are. But some Christians are called specifically into a ministry of prayer for a particular purpose. In other words God has laid on their hearts the desire to pray for that specific need.

God is calling people who have the ministry of St. Peter's on their hearts for prayer. If you are one of these people you might like to join others from time to time in this particular prayer ministry.

If it is you God is calling please pass your name to the Vicar who will call the group together shortly.

SPECIAL SERVICES IN NOVEMBER:

Sunday 13 th November 10.00 am	Remembrance Service
Sunday 13 th November 4.00 pm	All Age Worship (Holy Communion) Theme: Remembrance
Thursday 17 th November 7.30 pm	AGM of Churches Together in Mann and Commissioning of Major Nigel Collins as Chairperson. At Salvation Army Citadel.
Tuesday 22 nd November 7.00 pm	Midweek Service with Ministry of Healing (followed by a Hotpot Supper in the Vicarage) ALL WELCOME
Sunday 27 th November 6.30 pm	Advent Carol Service (Hymns and Readings for Advent and lighting of Advent Candles).
Monday 28 th November 7.30 pm	CMS Service at Braddan (followed by Refreshments) 'Christmas Around the World'

We often say our prayers
But do we ever pray
And do the wishes of our hearts
Go with the words we say?

We may as well kneel down
And worship gods of stone
As offer to the living God
A prayer of words alone

For words without the heart
The Lord will never hear.
Nor will He to those lips attend
Whose prayers are not sincere

Lord show me what I need
And teach me how to pray
And may I never seek your
Grace not meaning what I say.

Author unknown

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

on
SATURDAY 3rd DECEMBER, 2005
at
2 PM

IN THE PARISH HALL

TO BE OPENED BY:
MRS SUSAN KNOWLES
wife of The Lord Bishop



In support of:
IoM Adoption Service and Onchan Parish Hall Appeal

VARIOUS STALLS & RAFFLES INCLUDING:
Cakes, Gifts, Bottle, Chocolate, & Christmas items

Admission: £1 adults incl. refreshments.
- children free when accompanied by an adult