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# Rushen News

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Year C  
2 Before Advent

## Welcome to Rushen Parish



Kirk Christ with  
St. Catherine's (Port Erin),  
St. Mary's (Port St Mary),  
and St. Peter's (Cregneish)

***Our Vision is to be at the heart of the  
community revealing the heart of God***

## Visitor Information

Welcome to church today ! We hope and pray that you will enjoy your time here and that you may encounter the presence of the living God. The following information may be helpful.

- We have a loop system, if appropriate switch hearing aids to the T-position.
- We have large print copies of service sheets and Rushen news – please ask.
- Whatever your tradition, you are very welcome to share in Holy Communion.

A Collection will not be taken during the singing of a hymn, but should you wish to make an offering to the life and worship of this parish there is a basket near the main entrance (it will still be there at the end of the service).

***Frequently refreshments are served at  
the end of the service. You are warmly  
invited to join us.***

## Prayer Focus

In the New Testament, Paul encouraged the believers to pray for one another. In a similar way throughout the year, we continue to pray for the infirm and those who care for them:

Pamela Angus, Peter Atkins, Rena Bottomley, Douglas Couper, Jim Dale, Stefan Dalini, Sandy Fairest, Margaret Galloway, Liz Gordon, Sally Lewis, Doreen Longton, Sue Maddrell, Peter Manson, Pam Martin, Margaret Moore, Janet Morley, Althea Morris, Gill Porter, Mike Porter, Alex Tawney, Doug Withey, Phil Woodford.

## Weekly Prayer Meetings

Each week a number of people gather to pray for the needs of our communities, our parish, the island and the world.

### **Tuesdays (10am)**

A small group gather together each week at St. Catherine's Church.

### **Wednesdays (9am)**

Parishes from across the South of the Island gather to pray at different churches. The next two meetings will be:

19 Nov Kirk Christ, Rushen

26 Nov St Mary's on the Harbour

### **Thursdays (11am)**

A *Centring Prayer and Meditation Group* at St Mary's Church, Port St. Mary. For more information contact Ginny (341657)

***Please do take this newsletter home !***

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## Digital Giving

There are a number of ways to give to the life and worship of this Parish. There are giving stations at two of our churches (Kirk Christ and St. Peter's) located at the back of each church. In addition, online giving is available using the above QR code. A huge thank you for your donation, small or large.

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## Rushen Roamers

Rushen Roamers meets each Wednesday at 10am for a short walk around the Parish (weather permitting) that will last about an hour. The meeting point will be at St Catherine's Hall.



It is an opportunity for members of the Church, friends and anyone else interested to socialise and of course get a little light exercise. There will be a small charge of £2 which will include refreshments at St Catherine's Hall at the end of the walk. Can't manage the walk? Why not meet at the hall around 11am for the refreshments and fellowship?

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## Ladies' Working Party

The Ladies' Working Party meets **every Tuesday** at St. Mary's Church. The meetings start at 2pm.

Ginny Viner (836943)

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## Coffee and Chat

Coffee and Chat meets **every Monday** morning (from 10 to 11.30am) at St Mary's Church.

Contact Lesley Scott (832919)

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## PCC Quiz

The PCC are hosting a Quiz Night on **21<sup>st</sup> November at 7pm** in St Catherine's Hall. Tickets are £5 each and there will be a raffle. Please feel free to bring your own food and drinks. Tickets available from Gerry (474924).

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## Website Resources

Want to delve deeper into prayer on a daily basis? Why not visit our website and check out the resources available for daily devotions. Visit:

[rushenparish.org.uk/prayer-resources/](http://rushenparish.org.uk/prayer-resources/)

Rev. Joe Heaton

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## Exhibition of the Lord's Prayer

The exhibition will be coming to St Mary's church from **10<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> November, Mon-Fri only**. The church will be open from **10am-4pm** and refreshments will be served from 10am-12pm. All are welcome to come along and see it.

There will be a sound scape of the Lord's Prayer being prayed in different languages spoken on the Isle of Man. Entrance is free. For further information, contact Ginny on 341657.

Thank you.

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## PCC Meeting

There will be a PCC meeting on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm** in St Catherine's hall. Please pray for the meeting and members of the PCC.

Thank you.



## Wild Sparks

Our next Wild Sparks event will be on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** from **3pm** at St Catherine's Hall, Port Erin.

Please do come along and join us for some creativity, wonder and storytelling! We will have hot chocolate to warm us up and some yummy snacks!

Natalie Heaton

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## Soup Inn

A fantastic opportunity to get together with people from the South over a simple meal. Whether you're a parent at home with a young child, someone who works from home/in the South, retired or having time out - all welcome at the Soup Inn. Come and relax over a home cooked lunch of Soup, and Pudding with Tea / Coffee. Pop in when shopping.

Join us on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December** (12.00 'til 1.30pm) at St. Catherine's Hall. Please share this with anyone you think likes to nosh and natter!

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## A reading from the book of Malachi

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

*[Malachi 4.1-2a]*

## *After a Reflective Silence*

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God !**

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## Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Luke

### Glory to you, O Lord !

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your

head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

*[Luke 21.5-19]*

*After a Reflective Silence*

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ !**

Scripture quotations are from *The New Revised Standard Version* of the Bible © 1989



The Parish of Rushen is part of the Church of England, in the Diocese of Sodor and Man.

## Services for Next Sunday

**Kirk Christ**

11.00am – Joint Holy Communion Service

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## Contact Information

**Parish Website:** [rushenparish.org.uk](http://rushenparish.org.uk)

 Find us on **Facebook** (Rushen Parish)

**Vicar:** Rev. Joe Heaton (832275)  
[rev.joeheaton@gmail.com](mailto:rev.joeheaton@gmail.com)

Please note that Joe's day off is **Monday**

**Parish Administrator:**

Rhiannon Manning (832275)  
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Office hours: Tuesday 9.30 – 4.30  
Friday 9.30 – 4.30

**Wardens:**

Kirk Christ: Gerry Callister (474 924)  
St. Catherine's: Gerry Callister (474 924)  
St. Peter's: Harry Dawson (835 770)  
St. Mary's: Peter Hayhurst (832 974)

**Parish Safeguarding Officer**

Our safeguarding officer for children and vulnerable people is Rhiannon Manning. Please email [psorushen@sodorandman.im](mailto:psorushen@sodorandman.im) or call 832275/464117 if you need to contact her. The Diocesan Safeguarding Support Officer is Lisa Morris (494688)

**Pastoral Care Group:**

If you are in need of help or support, or know someone who is unwell or in hospital, please contact the Vicar.

*Rushen News Contributions:*

Please send all items for Rushen News to Joe Heaton. The deadline is **Tuesday @ 6pm.**

*Parish Magazine Contributions:*

Please send all items for inclusion to the editor, David Bowman (837117) or preferably by email to [dbow43@manx.net](mailto:dbow43@manx.net). (Please copy all items to the vicar). The deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the Month