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Rushen News

<http://www.rushenparish.org.uk>

Year A
Mothering Sunday

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, Margaret and Douglas Couper, Jim Dale, Stefan Dalini, June Davies, Sandy Fairest, Margaret Galloway, Liz Gordon, Sue and David Inch, Sally Lewis, Peter Lewis, Doreen Longton, Sue Maddrell, Peter Manson, Pam Martin, Margaret Moore, Janet Morley, Althea Morris, Gill Porter, Mike Porter, Eileen Thornley, Valerie Vaughan, Doug Withey.

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.

18 Mar Kirk Christ, Rushen

25 Mar 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) – **This group is now suspended until early May while Ginny is away.**

Please do take this newsletter home !

Holy Week and Easter Services

The following services are to be held during Holy Week and Easter Day

Maundy Thursday (2 April)

Holy Communion at Kirk Christ @ 7pm.

Good Friday (3 April)

Passion Narrative at St. Catherine's @ 11am
followed by *Walk of Witness*

Tenebrae Service at Kirk Christ @ 8pm

Easter Day (5 April)

Dawn Service at Kirk Christ @ 6.30am

Holy Communion at Kirk Christ @ 9.30am

Holy Communion at St. Catherine's @ 11am

Holy Communion at St. Mary's @ 11am

Holy Communion at St. Peter's @ 3.15pm

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. Catherine's) located at the back of each church. **Please report any issues to the churchwardens.** In addition, online giving is available using the above QR code. A huge thank you for your donation, small or large.

PCC Meeting

There will be a PCC Meeting on **Tuesday 17th March at St Mary's Church at 7pm.** Please pray for the meeting and all members of the PCC. The meeting will begin promptly at 7pm.

Joe Heaton

Coffee and Chat

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



Contact Lesley Scott (832919)

Confirmation Service

The Joint Service this month will be held at **St Mary's church on Sunday 22nd March at 11am** to celebrate the confirmation of adults and young people. Bishop Tricia will be taking the service alongside Joe and we welcome everyone to attend to celebrate together. This will be followed by a faith lunch in St Mary's Hall. If you are able to bring something to share please use the sign up sheets at the back of church. Thank you.

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?

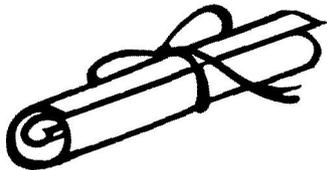
Ladies' Working Party

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

Lesley Scott (832919)

Electoral Roll

Notice is hereby given that under the Church Representation Rules the Church Electoral Roll is being revised.



Please check that your name and address is correct on the electoral roll at the back of church, any changes should be made known to David Bowman, our Electoral Roll Officer or a churchwarden. If you wish to enter your name on the Electoral Roll please contact one of the churchwardens or David for an application form.

Website Resources

Want to find out more about events for children and young people? Why not visit our website to find out more information. Visit: rushenparish.org.uk/children-3/

Joe Heaton



Acts 29 Youth Group

The next meeting of the youth group will be **Friday 20th March at 7pm** at St Mary's Church. We eat snacks, play games and explore the Bible together.

Natalie Heaton



Wild Sparks

Our next meeting of Wild Sparks will be on **Saturday 28th March** beginning at 3pm. We will be visiting PSM Lifeboat Station.

Natalie Heaton

New email addresses

If you have previously used a **manx.net** email address which has now expired please could you email the Parish office at rushenparishorg@gmail.com with your new email address so that we can still contact you. Many thanks.

Soup Inn

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 2nd April (12.00 'til 1.30pm)** at St. Catherine's Hall

A reading from the second letter to the Corinthians

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

[2 Corinthians 1.3-7]

After a Reflective Silence

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord !

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

[Luke 2:33-35]

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

Services for Next Sunday

St Mary's

11am – Confirmation & Holy Communion



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OF ENGLAND

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

Contact Information

Parish Website: rushenparish.org.uk

 Find us on
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Vicar: Rev. Joe Heaton (832275)
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Please note that Joe's day off is **Monday**

Parish Administrator:

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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 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. (Please copy all items to the vicar). The deadline is the 20th of the Month