
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, Dick and Mary Clague, Margaret and Douglas Couper, Jim Dale, Stefan Dalini, Gloria Englefield, Sandy Fairest, Simon and Crystal Gale, Margaret Galloway, Liz Gordon, Sue and David Inch, Sally Lewis, Doreen Longton, Sue Maddrell, Peter Manson, Pam Martin, Margaret Moore, Janet Morley, Althea Morris, Gill and Mike Porter, Eileen Thornley, Doug Withey. Freya

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:

17 Jun	St Mary's on the Harbour
24 Jun	Abbey Church, Ballasalla

Please do take this newsletter home !

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 (St Peter's 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.



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?



Parish Walk

Steve Curtis and I will be taking part in the Parish Walk together this year. Steve will be happy to take sponsorship to raise money for Scripture Union Ministries Trust and I will be raising money for Motiv8, which is a charity providing support services and counselling for anyone struggling with alcohol use. Sponsorship forms are at the back of church. Thank you!

Joe Heaton

Flower Festival

Our annual Flower Festival is running from **2nd to 9th July** at Kirk Christ, with the theme 'A Year of Manx Language', please put the date in your diary and come along to see the wonderful displays from local groups. If you would like to help or contribute to the refreshments please speak to Gerry.



Safeguarding Survey

The INEQE Safeguarding team are conducting an Audit this year and they need surveys to be completed by all in our church communities. Please help us out by completing a survey online at: ineqe.com/churchofengland/Sodor-and-Man/. There are several options so please choose the one most suited to you. Thank you in advance for your feedback. **The closing date is 7th July.**

Diocesan Safeguarding Service

Everyone is invited to a launch service to be held at the Cathedral on **Thursday 18th June at 7.30pm**. The Bishop will be preaching and there shall also be opportunity to hear from and to meet Abbey Clephane-Wilson, our Diocesan Safeguarding Lead and to thank Tony Connell for way he has served us over the past decade. We will pray for our continuing call to be a church which is safe for all.

Parish Administrator

Rhiannon, our Parish Administrator, will be away from 15th June until 12th July, in her absence, please direct queries and any Rushen news items to me. Thank you,

Joe Heaton

Service for Prison Sunday

To be held in Jurby Church at **2pm on Sunday 21st June**, followed by delicious refreshments, this service aims to encourage prayer and awareness of the needs of prisoners and their families, of victims of offenders, prison staff and all those who care. It is open to all across the Diocese and you are encouraged to share in it and to show your support. Come and be inspired by the words of Jesus who said ‘When I was in prison you visited me’.

A Reading from the letter to the Romans

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

[Romans 5.1-8]

After a Reflective Silence

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord !

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.’

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, “The kingdom of heaven has come near.” Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to

your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town.

‘See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

[Matthew 9.35 – 10.23]

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Praise to you, O Christ !

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

Services for Next Sunday

Kirk Christ

9.30am – Morning Prayer

St Catherine’s

11.00am – Morning Prayer

St Mary’s

11.00am – Holy Communion

St Peter’s

3.15pm – BCP Evening Prayer

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**

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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