

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, Margaret and Douglas Couper, Jim Dale, Stefan Dalini, Sandy Fairest, Simon and Crystal Gale, Margaret Galloway, Liz Gordon, Sue Inch, Doreen Longton, Sue Maddrell, Peter Manson, Pam Martin, Margaret Moore, Janet Morley, Althea Morris, 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:

30 Sept	Abbey Church, Ballasalla
07 Oct	Kirk Christ, Rushen

Coffee and Chat



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

Contact Lesley Scott (832919)

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?



Ladies' Working Party

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

Ginny Viner (836943)

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



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 1st October** (12.00 'til 1.30pm) at St. Catherine's Hall.

Harvest Faith Lunches



There will be a Harvest festival Service at each of our churches on **Sunday 11th October**. This will be followed by a Faith Lunch at St Mary's and at St Catherine's Hall. Please do come along for food and fellowship at either church. A small plate to share would be gratefully received.

All members of the congregations are welcome to come along to help decorate the churches. Flowers are always appreciated to pass on to house-bound members of our congregations. If you can bring wrapped items to decorate with that can be given to the food bank e.g tins, packets, jars etc. that would also be appreciated.

Gerry Callister

Forthcoming Events

Our Parish hosts lots of different events over the year and we don't want anyone to miss out! Our website lists all forthcoming events so if you don't have a copy of this newsletter you can always find details of the events we are hosting on our website.: rushenparish.org.uk/latest-news-events

Food Bank Appeal

There has been an appeal for more long lasting items for the Foodbank, including tinned, jar and packet items. **There are several drop off points in the south, particularly Tesco, the Co-op and The Good Health Store in Port Erin and the Co-op and Clear Pharmacy in Port St Mary.**



There is a full list of accepted items on their website, please visit:
<https://isleofmanfoodbank.wordpress.com>
for more information. Thank you

A Reading from the letter to the Philippians

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the
earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

[Philippians 2.1-13]

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 !

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind

and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

[Matthew 21.23-32]

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

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



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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 Facebook** (Rushen Parish)

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

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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
