

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:

21 Oct	Abbey Church, Ballasalla
28 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 (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.



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?



Bake Sale for Christian Aid

Me and my Wonderzone friends want to invite you to come to the hall straight after the service at St Catherine's **TODAY** because we have made and are selling cakes and biscuits to raise money for Christian Aid. Thank you!

From Connie and friends

Logos Hope

From **November 6th to the 18th**, The Logos Hope, the world's largest floating bookfair will be in Douglas Harbour! The bookfair is open to the public on Tuesday to Saturdays 10am-10pm and Sundays 1pm-10pm. Entrance is £1 each and children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Mark your calendars and keep an eye out for more events.

Volunteer Onboard: A Discipleship Opportunity. This free programme invites local Christians (ages 18+) to serve during the day, alongside our international crew in the bookfair, cafe or kitchen. More than just volunteering, it features a practical discipleship course designed to equip believers for everyday ministry. A pastoral reference is required. Applications close 26th October 2026, visit:

www.uk.om.org/logos-hope-port-volunteer.

New Youth Worker

We are very happy to announce our new Youth Worker: Sarah Rotchell. Sarah comes to us with many years of experience working with young people both on the Island and in the UK. She will be taking on her duties alongside her work with SUMT and we are very excited to see what she will bring to our Parish. Please join us in giving her a very warm welcome and keep her in your prayers as she starts her ministry with us.

Sarah says: "I'm absolutely delighted and so excited to be taking on the role of Youth Worker for Rushen Parish. I'm so excited to see what this new role brings and to journey alongside the young people and families of Rushen. I feel incredibly blessed to be joining the parish in this role and can't wait to get started!"

Ladies' Working Party

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

Ginny Viner (836943)

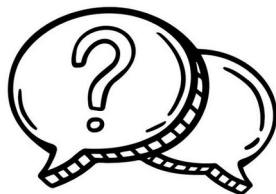
Changing the Clocks

Just a little reminder to you all that the clocks go back next **Sunday 25th October.**



PCC Quiz

The PCC are hosting a Quiz Night on **Friday 20th 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).



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 5th November** (12.00 'til 1.30pm) at St. Catherine's Hall.

A Reading from the first letter to the Thessalonians

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

[1 Thessalonians 1.1-10]

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 the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

[Matthew 22.15-22]

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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

11.00am – Joint Holy Communion



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

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

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Parish Website: rushenparish.org.uk

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St. Catherine's: Gerry Callister (474 924)
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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
