

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:

07 Oct	Kirk Christ, Rushen
14 Oct	St Mary's on the Harbour

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.

JC33

An all-island project called "JC33" is in the beginning stages of being planned which will enable all churches of every denomination to follow the ministry of Jesus in real time between 2031 and 2033, ending in a joint Pentecost celebration 2033 (the 2000'th birthday of the global church). This is an open invitation to every person in any church across the island to come to an evening of information and prayer about the concept where you can hear about it from Rev Alex Brown, ask questions, input ideas, choose multiple ways to get involved and pray. We'd love the 4 events to be flooded with people.

North: Monday 12 October - St Paul's Church Hall - 7.30pm

East: Wednesday 14 October - St Ninian's Church - 7.30pm

South: Thursday 15 October - Port Erin Methodist Church - 7.30pm

West: Friday 16 October - Peel Cathedral – 7.30pm

Ladies' Working Party

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

Ginny Viner (836943)

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?



Harvest Faith Lunches



There will be a Harvest festival Service at each of our churches next **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. **The churches will be decorated on Saturday 10th October: Kirk Christ from 9am, St Catherine's from 10am and St Mary's and St Peter's from 10.30am. On Monday 12th the harvest items will be removed at 10am from St Mary's.** 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

Mothers' Union

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union is on **Monday 12th October** at St Catherine's Hall at 2pm. Jane Gunn will be leading Chair Yoga. Please do come along and join us.

Lesley Scott (832919)



A Reading from the letter to the Philippians

Even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but

this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

[Philippians 3.4b-14]

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 !

‘Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, “This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.” So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ They said to him, ‘He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.’

Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes”?’

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.'

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

[Matthew 21.33-46]

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 – Holy Communion

St Catherine's

11.00am – Holy Communion

St Mary's

11.00am – All-age Service

St Peter's

3.15pm – BCP Holy Communion



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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

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

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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
