

## 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 most worship material – 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).

## 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 join them for refreshments at the Hall at 11am

## 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:

Peter and Marylyn Atkins, Pauline Corkill, Arthur Cregeen, Faith Crooke, Heather Dawes, Tony Eagers, Stuart Gale, Jean Kershaw, Margaret Kinley, Michael Linck, Judith Roberts,

## PCC Meeting

There is a PCC meeting on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July** at St. Catherine's Church Hall. The meeting will start promptly at 7pm. Please pray for this meeting and the members of the PCC.

*Please do take this newsletter home !*

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## Mothers' Union Meeting

The Mothers' Union are meeting at St. Catherine's Hall on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July @ 2pm.**



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## Summer Concerts

Come and listen to 'A Night of Music and Song' with Val Cowley and friends involving many young and talented performers. They will be performing at St. Catherine's Church on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July @ 7.45pm.** Refreshments will be served in the Hall afterwards.

Gerry on (474924)

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## Our Giving

The income across the four churches in the Parish, for June, was as follows:



	Jun	Jan to Jun
Collections / Giving:	£5,093	£41,237
Other income:	£413	£7,716
Total income:	£5,506	£48,953

The deficit (excess of expenditure over income) for June is £2,139, and for the year is £10,962.

Many Thanks, Joe Heaton

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## Ladies' Working Party

The Ladies' Working Party are currently meeting **every Tuesday @ 2.15pm** at St. Catherine's Hall.

Contact Sue Maddrell (833151)

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## Funerals

It is with sadness that I announce the death of Dollin Kelly and Daphne Allen.

Dollin's funeral will be a private funeral on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July at Kirk Christ. Daphne's funeral will be on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 10.15am at Kirk Christ followed by a committal service at the Crematorium. Please remember their family and friends in your prayers.

Joe Heaton

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## A reading from the letter to the Romans

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin. *[Romans 7.15-25a]*

*After a Reflective Silence*

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

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## Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Matthew

### Glory to you, O Lord !

‘But to what will I compare this generation?  
It is like children sitting in the market-places  
and calling to one another,

“We played the flute for you,  
and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

For John came neither eating nor drinking,  
and they say, “He has a demon”; the Son of  
Man came eating and drinking, and they say,  
“Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of  
tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is  
vindicated by her deeds.’

At that time Jesus said, ‘I thank you, Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth, because you have  
hidden these things from the wise and the  
intelligent and have revealed them to  
infants; yes, Father, for such was your  
gracious will. All things have been handed  
over to me by my Father; and no one knows  
the Son except the Father, and no one knows  
the Father except the Son and anyone to  
whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are  
carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you  
rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn  
from me; for I am gentle and humble in  
heart, and you will find rest for your souls.  
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is  
light.’

*[Matthew 11.16-19,25-30]*

### *After a Reflective Silence*

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ !**

*Scripture quotations are from The New Revised  
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## Services next Sunday

The only service in the Parish next Sunday  
is a joint Holy Communion service at Kirk  
Christ at 11am. Should you, or somebody  
you know, require a lift to the service please  
speak to one of the wardens.

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### Hymn 1

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
does his successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue  
Dwell on his love with sweetest song,  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns:  
the prisoner leaps to lose his chains;  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all the sons of want are blest.

To him shall endless prayer be made,  
and praises throng to crown his head;  
his name like incense shall arise  
with every morning sacrifice.

Let every creature rise and bring  
peculiar honours to our King;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud Amen.

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### Hymn 2

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
in a believer's ear!  
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,  
and drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole,  
and calms the troubled breast;  
'tis manna to the hungry soul,  
and to the weary rest.

Dear name! the rock on which I build,  
my shield and hiding-place,  
my never-failing treasury filled  
with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,  
my Prophet, Priest, and King,  
my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,  
accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart,  
and cold my warmest thought;  
but when I see thee as thou art,  
I'll praise thee as I ought.

`Till then I would thy love proclaim  
with every fleeting breath;  
and may the music of thy name  
refresh my soul in death.

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## Contact Information

**Parish Website:** [www.rushenparish.org.uk](http://www.rushenparish.org.uk)

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

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

Please note that Liz's day off is **Friday**

**Parish Administrator:**  
Claire Jennings (830850)  
[rushenparishorg@gmail.com](mailto:rushenparishorg@gmail.com)

Office hours: Tuesday: 10am -3pm  
Friday: 10am - 3pm

### 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 Claire Jennings. Her contact details are above should you need to contact her.

### 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 Claire Jennings and 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](mailto:dbow43@manx.net). (Please copy all items to the vicar). The deadline is the **20<sup>th</sup> of the Month**