

## 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).

***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:

Chris, Pamela Angus, Peter and Marilyn Atkins, Joan Buttell, Gillian Collings, Joyce Corlett, Heather Dawes, Olive Dawson, Tony Eagers, Tony Eales Sandy Fairest, Margaret Galloway, Alan Grace, Anita Gunn, Ray Halford, Jean Handley, Heather Hodgett, Margaret Kinley, Laughlan Kirk, Michael Linck, Pam Martin, Mary Maycox, Judith Roberts, Lyn Sandell, Kathleen Trustrum

## Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held at Kirk Christ Church on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm**. At this meeting four church wardens will be elected. There are six vacancies for the PCC as follows:

St. Catherine's: 3 vacancies  
Kirk Christ: 1 vacancy  
St. Mary's : 1 vacancy  
St. Peter's: 1 vacancy

There are four vacancies for the SMP Council (one for each church), and one vacancy for the Diocesan Synod.

Please complete a nomination form (found at the back of church) and hand it to me or a church warden.  
*Joe Heaton*

***Please do take this newsletter home !***

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## PCC Meeting

There will be a PCC meeting immediately prior to the Annual Meeting on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April** at Kirk Christ. The financial accounts will be presented to the PCC for approval; the meeting will start promptly at 7pm

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## Spring Concerts

Come and listen to *Manx Saxophone Ensemble* who will be playing at **St. Catherine's Church on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April @ 7.45pm.** Refreshments will be served in the Hall afterwards.

**Help Needed:** Please add your name to the sign-up sheets in church if you can help with refreshments.

Gerry on (474924)

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## Soup Inn

A fantastic opportunity to get together with people from the South over a simple meal. 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 5<sup>th</sup> May** (12.00 'til 1.30pm) at St. Catherine's Hall. Please share this with anyone you think likes to nosh and natter!

**Help Needed:**

Volunteers are needed to provide help with the catering for Soup Inn. If you are able to provide a soup or a dessert for this event, please contact Gerry on 474924.

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## St. Mary's Choir

Port St Mary's Choir will be resuming on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April** at 6.30pm. New members are most welcome. Practices are on a Thursday each week at 6.30pm and last for a maximum of an hour. The choir sings at the 11am morning service at St Mary's Church, and occasional weddings. It is hoped to present an evensong at one of the Parish Churches during the summer.

For further information contact me either by email ([mikeandgill@manx.net](mailto:mikeandgill@manx.net)) or phone (832143) or just come to a choir practice. You will be most welcome.

Mike Porter

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## Kentraugh Mill Open Weekend

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 10am to 5pm**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 11am to 5pm**

Come and learn about our Manx heritage. There is no entrance fee, but donations are appreciated to USP (United Society Partners in the Global Mission). Entrance at own risk.

The Mill is the 1<sup>st</sup> building up the road from the Shore Hotel, Gansey. Guided Tours will be given of the Mill, Chapel Garden and the Mill Dam.

Elizabeth Sheen (832406)

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## News from the Southern Mission Partnership

### Weekly Prayer Group

Each week on **Wednesdays @ 9.15am**, we meet together to pray for the parishes in the Southern Mission Partnership. *All are welcome!* We will be meeting on:

20 Apr St. Mary's on the Harbour  
27 Apr Kirk Christ, Rushen

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## Play and Praise

**Play and Praise** is a short child-orientated service aimed at pre-school children. It is held on the **1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday** of each month @ 2pm at St. Catherine's Church Hall. For further details contact Claudia on 832974.

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## Rushen Roamers

Rushen Roamers meets each Wednesday 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 where someone will be available to greet walkers from 10am.



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.

In the event of no walk due to bad weather the refreshments will be served straight away at 10am.

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## A reading from the book of Acts

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were

oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

*[Acts 10.34-43]*

*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 Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord !**

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these

words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

[Luke 24.1-12]

### *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

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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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## Contact Information

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

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

**Vicar:** Rev. Joe Heaton (832275)  
[rev.joeheaton@gmail.com](mailto:rev.joeheaton@gmail.com)

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

**Parish Administrator:**  
Claire Jennings (830850)  
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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>h</sup> of the Month**

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