

St. Mary's & St. Columba's Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

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“The Family that Prays Together Stays Together”

October Month of the Rosary:

We have entered the beautiful month of October which is traditionally celebrated as the Month of the Rosary. I invite you all to join in a special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary through the recitation of the Holy Rosary. This sacred prayer has been a source of immense grace and peace for centuries drawing us closer to the life of Christ through the eyes of his mother. During this time let us especially unite in praying for peace in our world. Our world faces so any challenges conflict, divisions, and suffering and through the Rosary we can ask Our Lady the Queen of Peace to intercede for us. Let our prayers rise like incense as we meditate on the mysteries of Christ's life and entrust our world to God's loving care. I encourage you to make time for the Rosary in your personal and family prayer life or have a communal recitation of the Rosary before Mass. Together we can create a powerful wave of prayer seeking not only peace for our world but also strength and grace in our lives. May Our Lady of the Rosary guide and protect you always. With prayers and blessings. - Fr Joseph

Please find below details of this week's Mass intentions and other services in our Parish of St. Mary's, Castletown (C/T), and St. Columba's, Port Erin (P/E).

Week commencing 6th October			
Sunday 6 th October Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time	C/T P/E	9 am 11 am	People of the Parish Mr and Mrs O'Friel Diamond Wedding Anniversary
Monday 7 th October Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary			No Mass
Tuesday 8 th October Weekday in Ordinary Time	P/E	10 am	
Wednesday 9 th October Feast of St John Henry Newman	C/T	10 am	
Thursday 10 th October Weekday in Ordinary Time	P/E	10 am 10.45 am	Sandra Leyland (Sick) Confession
Friday 11 th October Weekday in Ordinary Time	C/T	10 am	Mary Kaddu (RIP)
Saturday 12 th October Weekday in Ordinary Time	C/T	10 am 10.45 am	Intentions to Our Lady of Rushen Adoration and Confession
Sunday 13 th October Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	C/T P/E	9 am 11 am	Collister Family People of the Parish

Response to the Psalm:

May the Lord bless us
all the days of our lives

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth

Alleluia

Communion Antiphon.

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
to the soul that seek him

Offertory Collection: Last week's collection was £150.35.

Readers' Training. Due to so many absences, the readers' training in connection with the new Lectionary is being rescheduled. All existing readers should have received an email asking for availability. Please reply to Deacon Graeme as soon as possible so we can fix a date. If you haven't had an email or are not on the rota, please contact Deacon Graeme.

Children's Liturgy: There is a Liturgy leader meeting Tuesday, 15th October, 7.30 pm in St Columba's church hall to plan for advent children's liturgy and the parish nativity. The meeting is for existing leaders. Anyone interested in joining the team will be warmly welcomed.

Catholic Herald: The Catholic Herald loved by Chesterton, Waugh, and Tolkien has been a bold and influential voice in the Church since 1888. It stands up for traditional values. The magazine contains book and art reviews, contributions from the best Catholic columnists, features, and interviews, as well as news from throughout the Church. Starting in October, our parish will be selling copies for £4.50. Please consider purchasing one to enjoy good Catholic reading and to support good Catholic journalism.

Christmas Wreath: Our annual wreath making class will be held in St Columba's Hall, Port Erin on Saturday, 7th December, from 10.00 am to 12.30 pm. Cost is £18.00 which includes an oasis ring. To secure your place please email Sue at suemagee@me.com, and she will send full details.

Christmas Fayre: Our annual Christmas Fayre will be held on Saturday, 30th November, from 11 am until 1 pm. More details to follow as we get closer to the date. All monies raised will go to helping the St Vincent de Paul Society with their work.

Minutes of Synod Parish Meeting: Please take some time to read the minutes of the Parish meeting that has been distributed with the newsletter.

Mass Intentions: Collister Family, Sandra Leyland, and Mary Kaddu

Parish Diary:

9th October 8 pm	Concert by Manx Concert Brass in St Columba's Church.
12th October 10 am to 1 pm	Island Spirituality Network at St John's Mill. The theme is "A Single Sunbeam." The speaker is Reverend Sharon Grenham-Thompson.
15th October 7.30 pm	Liturgy Leaders meeting at St Columba's Hall.
9th November 10 am to 1 pm	Island Spirituality Network at St John's Mill. The theme is "Good News for the Poor." The speaker is Chris Lane.
10th November 12 pm to 4 pm	Fair Trade sale and homemade soup and bread lunches. Proceeds of lunch going to help the Loreto Sisters work in Albania.
30th November 11 am to 1 pm	Christmas Fayre at St Columba's Hall.
7th December 10 am to 12.30 pm	Christmas Wreath making class at St Columba's Hall.
15th December 3 pm	Parish Nativity Service at St. Columba's Church.

If you are aware of future events, please let us know so we may add them to the diary.
Social Club Committee contact details: Susan 460514, Nick 431606, Dee 437487, or Lynn 472867.

Second Collections for 2024

20 th October	APF World Missions
24 th November	Animate Youth
8 th December	Christmas flowers for both churches

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