

THE PARISH HOUSE AND LEADERSHIP

Sacred Heart Church (SH):
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Parish Office times: Tues, Thurs, Fri 10-5, Wed 1-5, (Newsletter deadline: Thurs 3pm)

Part of the Southport Pastoral Area: <http://www.southportcatholicchurches.org>

SVP number for people in emergency need: 07340 836172

Are you a new Parishioner? Welcome! Please fill in a card from the porch and

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY LIFE

Passover Meal on Monday 10th April at 7.30pm. *Reminder: this is a shared table.*

Reply slips are at the back of church; RSVP by next week please.

Metropolitan Cathedral Choral Evening Prayer – BBC Radio 3 Wed 29th March 3.30-4.30. Choral Evening Prayer will be sung and broadcast live. All very welcome to attend - take your seats by 3pm. Cathedral is closed to visitors during the broadcast.

Our Next Super Events for our Parish Chosen Charities:

Thank you! St Patrick's Night social raised **£1064** for our Parish Chosen Charities.

What a marvellous voice Sinead had, weren't we lucky to see her niece dancing two Irish Dances for us!

Next SJS Social is an Abba tribute night on Friday, 21st April with tickets £12 already on sale in St. John Stones bar. Tickets are sure to go fast, so bag yours now!

Aid to the Church (ACN): leaflets about the work of ACN in the porches. We will focus donations on the charitable support of Christians in Erbil, in Iraq, with others who are in need with them there.

Nugent: we will focus donations for refurbishing rooms in Clumber Lodge. We hope to visit the Nugent community houses in Woodvale for people with special needs

Spinal Unit (SUAG) restart their monthly Thursday evening BBQs from May, to support patients and their families (did you see them mentioned on Songs of Praise?)

Money Matters

Offertory envelopes: the new envelopes begin Sunday 9th April. Envelopes are available for collection from the back of church. NB numbers have changed (look for your named box). If you are new to the Parish and want Offertory envelopes, or if you want to begin using Offertory envelopes, please speak to Anne Coupe or Pete Byrne.

COMBINED MONEY MATTERS			2 nd Collection at SJS next week for Easter Flowers Lenten Alms go to local SVP
Offertory	S/Orders	Total	
£1155.28	£159.00	£1304.25	

HeartStone - the paired Parish of Sacred Heart and St John Stone



Our Parish Vision Statement

Jesus Christ is uniting our community of HeartStone in its Vision and Mission so that all might find a place of welcome, prayer and loving outreach when in need.

26 th March – 4 th Sunday in Lent – Mothering Sunday			
Yr A	LITURGY & SPIRITUAL LIFE		COMMUNITY LIFE & SERVICE
Sat	5pm Evening Prayer	SH	Offertory envelopes available
Eve	5.30 Mass: Ron & Dorothy Coughlan	SH	Clocks Sprang Forward today
S	9am Mass: Fr Sean (T)	SH	Hospitality after morning masses
U	10.30 Mass: Maureen Blain (T)	SJS	
N	with Christening Welcome of Sophie Darrigan		Faith for Life, Wrightington Ext.
	11.30 Baptism Prep	SJS	
	4.30 Evening Prayer	SJS	
	5pm Mass: People of the Parish	SJS	
Mon	9.15 Morning Prayer	SH	
	9.30 Liturgy of Word & Communion	SH	2pm Coffee & Chat SH
	6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer	SJS	
Tues	8.45 Adoration & Morning Prayer	SH	2.30 Faith Sharing Group Ext
	9.30 Mass: Keith Lloyd (A)	SH	4.30 Christ the King Governors Mtg CtK.
	6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer	SJS	5pm Safeguarding Team Training Kew
Wed	9.15 Morning Prayer	SJS	10.30 Music Prep SJS.
	9.30 Mass: Robert Gleeson (B)	SJS	2pm Knit & Natter SJS
	4pm Priests Supervision	Ext	
	6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer	SJS	7.15 CTiA Meeting Games Rm
	6.30 Stations of Cross led by Gerard Lavin	SH	7.30 Pastoral Area Mass at St Marie's
	7.30 Sharing Scripture & Laudato Si #4	SJS	8pm Bingo SJS
Thur	9.15 Morning Prayer	SJS	
	9.30 Mass: Thomas McMenemy (LD)	SJS	2pm & 7.30pm Lent Safari at St John's CoE
	followed by Adoration til 11		
	10am Spiritual Counsel	SJS	4.30 Parish Vision Team #6 SJS
	12noon Requiem Mass: Marie Harrild	SH	6pm Brownies SH
	6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer	SJS	7.30 Come & See SJS
Fri	8.45 Adoration and Morning Prayer	SH	11-12 Nugent Clarence High School Tea Ext
	9.30 Mass: Vic McLellan (A)	SH	
	6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer	SJS	7.30 OCTAVE From Tears to Joy SJS
	7pm NO Stations of Cross / 7.30 NO Mass	SJS	8pm Bingo SH
Sat	9.15 Morning Prayer	SJS	9.45-3 Come & See Retreat Day Ext
	9.30 Mass: Thanksgiving (M.E.)	SJS	10-4 Teaching on Matthew by Irenaeus SJS
	With Confessions and Adoration til 11		11-4.30 Soulcare SH
2 nd April – 5 th Sunday of Lent			
Sat	4.45 Confessions	SH	Offertory envelopes available
Eve	5.30 Mass: Elizabeth Vaughan (A) Liz Morton (LD)	SH	
S	9am Mass: Francis Killough (Birth)	SH	Hospitality after morning masses
U	with Patchwork		
N	10.30 Mass: Joyce Yates (A)	SJS	
	12.30 Baptisms: Sebastian Ratchford, Sophie Darrigan	SJS	
	4.30 Evening Prayer	SJS	
	5pm Mass: People of the Parish	SJS	

BRITAIN UNITING BRITAIN FOR PEACE

Please spare a prayer this week for all true Muslims in Britain, who seek faith and good citizenship through faithfulness to their religion, and in particular good Imams who are hoping to serve their people in the ways of God and unity in Britain.

LENT THIS WEEK:

St. Joseph's Prayer Centre, Formby : "Growing in Love with the Healer of our Souls" on this Wednesday led by Sr. Annie Lunney SMG starts with Mass at 10am.

Mass with Music Ministry: Our representatives from the parishes joining for music ministry will serve at a Pastoral Area Mass to pray and sing together

St Marie's this Wednesday 29th March at 7.30pm

Sharing Scripture with Pope Francis: this Wed at 7.30pm in the Red Room at SJS: looking at the Sunday readings with reflections from Laudato Si and stories of care for the planet & the poor from around the world. Open to all for prayerful learning

Ecumenical Lent Safari this week: St John's C of E, on Thursday at 2pm and again at 7.30pm: This 4th theme in our series "Receiving Christ" is on people in need.

Nugent this Friday, 11-12, come with us to a "Dignity-tea morning" at Clarence High School, Formby, with their Performing Arts pupils. Transport available. This is our first chance to make contact with people we help through our chosen charity, Nugent

OCTAVE choir concert "From Tears to Joy": this Friday 7.30pm in SJS Church - a very special evening of spiritual music. A wonderful opportunity to celebrate the ecumenical choir and serve our local community with very enjoyable music for all. Tickets £5, available now. Bar and refreshments in interval & after

New Catholics: Come and See: Maureen, Steve and Alan and our team join others from Southport and the Archdiocese on Saturday 1st April for a special **Retreat Day** at St Joseph's, Freshfield with Archbishop Malcolm as part of preparing for Easter.

MATTHEW'S GOSPEL: Seek the Pearl of Great Price

Fr Chris Thomas teaches the purpose of the writer and how it helps Christians then and now. Saturday 10-4 with light lunch provided: at SJS. Free, donations welcome.

UNITING CHRISTIANS FOR EASTER

HOLY WEEK: please sign up to volunteer for the Holy Week Liturgy.

Passover Meal: Monday 10th at 7.30pm in SJS Hall – shared table, reply slip please.

Reconciliation and Healing: Tuesday 11th at 7.30pm in Sacred Heart.

Chrim Mass in Cathedral: Wednesday 12th at 7.30pm, coach leaves 6.15pm: sign up

EASTER TRIDUUM:

Maundy Thursday, 13th April: 7.30pm at Sacred Heart

Good Friday 14th April: at 3pm at St John Stone

Holy Saturday 15th April: personal options or meditation at SH 11 - 4

Easter Vigil and Mass at 8pm at St John Stone 15th April

Real Easter Eggs are available from the back of church at the special price of £3.75 (RRP £3.99). The Meaningful Chocolate Company includes a story booklet about the resurrection and the real Easter. Perfect to share with family and friends this year.

Easter Cards are available from the piety stall in the porches from Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Beautiful designs and a good way to spread the word of Easter faith.

UNITING HEARTSTONE FOR MISSION

The Parish Vision Team shares with Fr Tony in the ministry of leadership for united holiness and mission. They meet on Thursday: suggestions and feedback are welcome and an invitation for parishioners to join in to see what the team does: any requests?

The Church Teams meet monthly: next ones 3rd /4th April

The Parish Open Forum is next on Tuesday 13th June. This is a good focus for us to clarify changes in the Archdiocese and Pastoral Area, and make our decisions for our continued implementation of the Parish Vision, from September 2017.

The Living Christ Team: Thank You to our volunteers for a marvellous formation evening at the Irenaeus. People are discerning now ways of contributing to the Retreat Ministry and meet again at GIFT on Tuesday April 4th at 7.30pm.

Spiritual Leadership: Ministers of the Eucharist will receive training for leading services with communion on Thursday 6th April at from 2.30pm in SJS church and future dates are being planned for formation in Sharing Spiritual Leadership.

Our Lady's Guild: Lenten Retreat Day on Saturday 8th April in SJS, 9.30am-3pm, in St John Stone church and club. Open to all and all genders!

UNITING TO SHARE IN EASTER GLORY

Improve Woodvale: Tuesday 18th April at 7.30pm in SJS Club to celebrate together.

ABBA: tribute on Friday 21st April in SJS Club for Parish Chosen Charities.

Fr John Gaine's Retirement: Sunday 23rd April at St Teresa's is his last mass: 10am with shared table to follow, all welcome.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Triduum: begins on Wednesday 26th April and we hope Fr Sean will be able to accept our invitation to join us this year, as part of our celebration of his Golden Anniversary, and receive our donations, welcome from now.

Cursillo 3Days; Friday 28th April at St Joseph's, Freshfield: friendly time with other Catholics for growth and joy. a weekend sure to be a blessing. See Fr Tony.

5 Ways of Sustaining Easter Faith: On Saturday 29th April Fr Chris Thomas will lead a session at SH 9.30 til 1 then lunch. How to make the most of your faith and live a loving relationship with Christ. A good follow on from the Living Christ retreat.

Ecumenical Barn Dance: this year on Saturday April 29th at Methodists

Sociable Sunday: this new, warm and welcoming gathering meets next on Sunday 30th April at the A.L.L at 3.30 and open to all the churches and friends.

St Joseph's 150th Anniversary: 13th May mass with Archbishop Malcolm

John Bell at Methodists: 13th /14th May as part of 150th Anniversary.

WELCOMING THE STRANGER

Developments and opportunities are happening and everyone who wishes is invited to the next gathering on **Friday 7th April at 8pm in the Parish House** at St John Stone. Learn about the new links with a visitors welcome centre, ecumenical partnerships, links with Formby, the next visit to Ainsdale on Maundy Thursday and the new Community Sponsorship scheme being promoted throughout our Archdiocese with the committed approval of our Trustees.