

**THE PARISH HOUSE AND LEADERSHIP**

**Sacred Heart Church (SH):** 483 Liverpool Road, Ainsdale, Southport, PR8 3BP  
**Parish Priest:** Fr Tony Slingo  
**Church Team Leader:** Mike Thornber  
 Administrator: Monica Gannon  
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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

**New Parishioner?** Welcome! Please fill in a card from the porch and leave it at Parish Office.

**ST JOHN STONE'S PARISH CENTRE**

“The Club” in SJS will always be enormously valuable for our church and the local community. It is managed as part of the Archdiocesan scheme as the best way to ensure its continuity, financial health and best professional practice. However, starting next Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> July, lack of customers on **Sunday and Monday nights** means we are losing money, and **we will close on those nights!** Saving costs like this will add to other efforts we are making the subsidise the running of the club to ensure we sustain it as a going concern far into the future. **Please continue to support the club all you can.**

**Soul & Motown Sounds with Dayton Grey:** this Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July 8pm, tickets £10. This is sure to be funky night out, and run to raise funds for the Parish Centre.

NB August 25<sup>th</sup> Your Summer Ball is coming your way – watch this space!

**Social & Community Life**

**Guild of Our Lady of Good Counsel's** trip to Tweedmill Shopping Outlet & Llandudno is on Sat 5<sup>th</sup> August. Book with Brenda McEwan 579457: £15 p/person (£5 non-refundable deposit).

**Improve Woodvale:** plans are afoot for the next meeting with the Council and prepare for the Southport Area Committee in the Town Hall.

**WACA: Woodvale and Ainsdale Community Association** have summer sizzler activities for August in the Meadow Lane site: pick up their newsletter from the porch.

**Our Parish Chosen Charities**

**Nugent's Margaret Roper House:** we visit each Tuesday with Communion

**Around the Archdiocese and West Coast Area**

**LOURDES:** The Pilgrims from the Archdiocese go Friday until Fri 28<sup>th</sup> and we will show our solidarity with prayer each day: leaflets in the porch if you wish to pray at home.

**AUGUST MASS TIMES:** alas, with “fewer priests and fewer people” Masses on August 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> only will be 5.30 at Sacred Heart and 10.30 at St John Stone

**HeartStone: the paired Parish of Sacred Heart & St John Stone**



**Our Parish Vision Statement**

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**23<sup>rd</sup> July – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Yr A	LITURGY & SPIRITUAL LIFE	COMMUNITY LIFE & SERVICE
Sat	5.30 Mass: Ann & John Middlehurst	SH 7pm Wedding Rehearsal
S		Priest: Hospital Ministry
U	9am Mass: Carole Edwards (LD)	SH Hospitality after morning Masses
N	10.30 Mass: Eugene McGrath (LD)	SJS 3.30 Wedding Rehearsal
	with Christening welcome: Jacob Jones	SH Open Golf at Royal Birkdale ends
	5pm Mass: People of the Parish	SJS St John Stone Club last Sunday opening
Mon	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church	SH
	9.30 Liturgy of Word & Communion	SH St John Stone Club last Monday opening
Tues	8.45 Adoration	SH
	9.15 Morning Prayer of Church	SH
	9.30 Mass: McNamara's Plants Thanks	SH
	Bill Grant (S)	
Wed	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church	SJS
	9.30 Mass: Nora & Tony Faraday (A)	SJS
	3.30 Spiritual Counsel	
	5.00 Priest's Spiritual Counsel	Pbl 8pm Bingo
	6.30 Meditation & Evening Prayer	SJS
	7.30 Sharing Scripture	SJS
Thur	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church	SJS 10.30- 4 Welcoming the Stranger
	9.30 Mass: Henry Drury (A)	SJS NO Brownies
	followed by Adoration til 11	
		7 for 7.15 Parish Open Forum
Fri	8.45 Adoration	SH
	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church	SH
	9.30 Mass: Fran's Sister (A)	SH 8pm Bingo
	6.30 Meditation & Evening Prayer	SJS 8pm Motown Tribute Night
Sat	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church	SJS
	9.30 Mass: Bill Grant (S)	SJS 10.30 "Holy Madness" @ St Joseph's
	followed by Adoration til 11	
	2pm Wedding: Tom Montague & Sarah Pickup	SH
<b>30<sup>th</sup> July – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>		
Sat	5.30 Mass: Joanne Coughlin (B)	SH
Eve		
S	9am Mass: Dick de Rome (LD)	SH Hospitality after morning Masses
U	10.30 Mass: People of the Parish	SJS
N	12.30 Baptism: Jacob Jones	SJS
	5pm Mass: Martin Hurley (PI)	SJS Sunday Night Closed: SJS Club

**COMBINED MONEY MATTERS**

<b>Offertory</b>	<b>Standing Orders</b>	<b>Total</b>
£860.61	£200	£1060.61

Thank you for your generous giving

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This is the Vision Statement of our paired parish, launched and committed to at Pentecost 2016. We are reviewing our living out of the Vision on this first anniversary, and all parishioners are invited to share in the thinking and discussing to make good decisions as a community of faith. **The Vision Team** and the **Church Teams** do this with Fr Tony regularly. Our **Ministry Co-ordinators** serve all the time, and periodically **everyone is invited to participate in the discussions**, as in the next:

**PARISH OPEN FORUM this Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July 7pm for 7.15 start**  
in St John Stone's Parish Centre Hall:

- receive the feedback from the leadership teams on the **Parish Vision Review**
  - learn about and meet the new members of the **Parish Vision Team**
  - discuss any issues arising from the **Parish Priest's Report** available now
  - discuss **Marriage and new relationships** in the outlook of Pope Francis today
  - discuss and discern what God is asking of us today, and **look to the future** in HeartStone, Southport and the West Coast of the Archdiocese
- .....*do come and contribute to the decisions and dreams for our future mission.*

**".....finding a place of prayer....." is central to our Parish Vision**  
**and so the parish thrives in offering a variety of ways**  
**for different people's SPIRITUALITY to flourish.**

- **THE WORD OF GOD:** "listening out" for God is prayer, and HeartStone has the following aids to letting God's loving messages get through to us:  
**Sharing Scripture:** reflecting on the Sunday readings, Wednesdays at 7.30pm  
**The Wednesday Word:** pink sheet each Sunday in the porch on the readings  
**Lectio Divina:** prayerful, quiet reflection on the readings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed monthly  
**Irenaeus:** wonderful reflection sessions or days on Scripture offered  
**Magnificat:** a marvellous, monthly missal book with prayers and teaching
- **MASS and COMMUNION:**  
**Sunday Mass** is crucial for growing in holiness and community strength  
**Weekday Masses** are at 9.30am in the different churches on different days  
**Adoration** is in SH on Tues & Friday 8.45am and SJS Thurs & Sat 10am  
**Communion:** our ministers & the priest can bring to the homes of the sick and our Ministers lead Liturgy with Communion when necessary.  
**House Masses** are available and can be beautiful eg for the housebound
- **SPIRITUAL COUNSEL/DIRECTION:**  
help to talk over, individually and privately, ways of growing and following the Spirit in your life: see Fr Tony and Irenaeus.
- **PERSONAL JOURNEYS OF FAITH:**  
appreciation of God's grace in your own life is a great blessing and helped by:  
**Examen** – prayerful method of looking back for God's blessings and help

**Living Christ Retreat** - our team invites you to this very special retreat in September - Friday evening 8<sup>th</sup> Sept and all day Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept - in St John Stone's Hall. Prayer and sharing experience of living faith today. Invitations in the porches now.....you are welcome, and please sign up for your place.

**Volunteers for Prayer support:** Gerard invites you to join him after mass at 10am on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August to prepare with prayer for blessings of the day.

**Our Team share** continuing formation and preparation on August 8th at 7.30

- **CONTEMPLATION:**

**Receptive, quiet ways** is how prayer grows, at times called contemplative, and **Soulcare Meditation** is a chance to learn and practice this way, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday monthly at SH and during the week from September. The **Annual Retreat** this year is Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Aug–Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept in St Joseph's Freshfield. See the blue **brochure in the porch** for all that Soulcare offers, and contact Monica in office.

**The Carmelites** are the most famous for this contemplative prayer and see: **"HOLY MADNESS" A day for Carmelite Spirituality** with Gillian Coxhead. Discover the wisdom of St Teresa of Avila at St Joseph's Prayer Centre, next Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July 10.30-3.30 including lunch: donation £20...a beautiful time.

- **HEALING and FORGIVENESS:**

**Reconciliation** is offered on the first weekend monthly, or by request from the priest, with communal services in Advent and Lent

**The Sick** are offered anointing at mass in the first week monthly.

**Lourdes:** we will join the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage this week with our prayers

- **DEVOTIONS and GROUPS:**

**Our Lady's Guild** at SJS is a wonderful company for faith and friendship, with active outings, 3<sup>rd</sup> monthly Friday mass, and prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel  
**GIFT prayer group** meets in SJS 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday monthly: next on Tues 1<sup>st</sup> August

**The Rosary** is led on Saturdays at 10am in SJS, and daily May and October  
**The Psalms** are prayed each day in church at 9.15am in Prayer of the Church

- **CREATION:** Pope Francis has inaugurated a new, modern outlook called "Integral Spirituality", especially practised September 1<sup>st</sup> to October 4th

- **"CHARISMATIC":** the movement has served many for many years and evolved under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. A famous Catholic leader, **Charles Whitehead**, will lead a day in Southport on Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November entitled: "I make all things new" How do we respond to God's workings today?

- **IRENAEUS PROJECT FOR SPIRITUALITY**

We have a very fruitful partnership with Fr Chris Thomas, sister Moira, Jenny and their supporters at Irenaeus, down the road in Waterloo. They offer vital, contemporary ministry for personal and group opportunities. Take a **current newsletter** in the porch or visit them on [www.irenaeus.co.uk](http://www.irenaeus.co.uk)

- **St Joseph's Prayer Centre** is a beautiful oasis down the road in Freshfield, with space for you on your own or with others: lots of lovely opportunities for spirituality. See them on [www.stjosephsprayercentre.ladislavmaluch.com](http://www.stjosephsprayercentre.ladislavmaluch.com)