

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

Sacred Heart Church (SH):
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Parish Priest: Fr Tony Slingo
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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.

Our Parish Chosen Charities

SH BBQ Next Sunday: 3rd Sept 12.30 in SH hall/gardens. Bar; BBQ by Broughs.
Tickets on sale now: £8, under 11's free. Contact Anne L 579822 or Donna at SJS Club.
Please pray for fine weather.

Nugent's celebration mass for and with people living with a disability at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral, 3pm on 1st October

Social & Community Life

Available free of charge: a high-backed chair & two 3-wheeled outdoor walking aids
PICNIC ON THE GREEN: a free community event on Ainsdale Village Green, Sunday 10th Sept 1-5pm. An afternoon of live music; entertainment; family games: boules, sack race, croquet, children's quiz, face painting, and much more. Bring a picnic, drinks, chairs, blankets, gazebo. **September's Sociable Sunday:** will be at Picnic on the Green Refreshments, chat, cake & music. Quiet space inside ALL if needed.

KSC Sponsored Bike Ride: 17th Sept 1pm from Moor Lane, Woodvale. Suitable for all the family. Contact philonline2@btinternet.com for a sponsorship form or to register.

Improve Woodvale: next meets 7.30pm Thursday 14th Sept, in SJS's Club Games Room – all welcome

Next Community Breakfast - possible date 21st Oct, which will be confirmed shortly.

Next SJS Club Events:

"Bootleg Sixties": Friday 22nd Sept. Tickets £10 on sale now from the bar.

SJS Quiz restarts on Friday 6th Oct, 8.30pm in the Club. Everyone welcome

Around the Archdiocese and West Coast Area

Fr Phil Gregory's farewell mass at Holy Family: 10.30, Sunday 10th Sept followed by social time in Holy Family church hall organised by Holy Family parish

'Songs We Remember' Dementia Friendly sing-along 11-12:30 Wednesday 6th & 20th Sept (every 2 weeks) at St Thomas Canterbury Church, Waterloo

HeartStone: the paired Parish of Sacred Heart & 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

27th August – 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Yr A	LITURGY & SPIRITUAL LIFE	COMMUNITY LIFE & SERVICE
Sat	5.30 Mass: Hope/McGrath Families SH	Hospital Ministry Week
S	9am Mass: Elizabeth (S) SH	Hospitality after morning Masses
U	10.30 Mass: Richard Kelly (S) SJS	
N	5pm Mass: Don Bennett (LD) SJS	2pm Cursillo Garden Party, Upholland
Feast of St Augustine		
Mon	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church SJS	
	9.30 *Extra Mass*: Betty Hurley (LD) SJS	
	<i>please note change of Church this week</i>	
Tues	8.45 Adoration SH	
	9.15 Morning Prayer of Church SH	
	9.30 Mass: Marion Callaghan (RIP) SH (with Ministry to the Sick)	5pm Annual Soulcare Retreat begins: St Joseph's, Freshfield
	Communion to Margaret Roper House	
Wed	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church SJS	
	9.30 Liturgy of Word & Communion SJS	
	<i>NO Meditation & Evening Prayer until Sept</i>	
	7.30 Sharing Scripture	8pm Bingo SJS
Thur	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church SJS	
	9.30 Mass: Charles Finnigan (RIP) SJS (with Ministry to the Sick)	
	followed by Adoration and Confessions	
Fri	8.45 Adoration SH	
	9.30 Mass: Grams-Byrne Family SH	
	2pm Funeral Mass: Nicholas Doran SH	
	7.30 West Coast Mass, Freshfield: Disabled	8pm Bingo SH
Sat	9.15 Morning Prayer of the Church SJS	
	9.30 Liturgy of Word & Communion SJS	Annual Soulcare Retreat Ends
	followed by Adoration til 11	
	<i>NO Confessions this morning</i>	
	11-4.30 Soulcare Meditation Day SH	

3rd September – 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat	4.45 Confessions SH	
Eve	5.30 Mass: Frank Gurhy (LD) SH	
S	9am Mass: People of the Parish SH	Hospitality after morning Masses
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N	10.30 Mass: Richard Kelly (S) SJS	12.30 Parish BBQ in Sacred Heart hall & garden
	5pm Mass: Cyril Dandy (S) SJS	

COMBINED MONEY MATTERS

Offertory	Standing Orders	Total	Next 2 nd collection: 10 th Sept for Catholic Education Services
£1048.30	£200	£1248.30	

“KEYS” is the Symbol of AUTHORITY in the Scriptures this Sunday, from Peter to our present Pope, our Archbishop, the priests – and also, these days, Catholics with gifts commissioned to share in leadership, discernment and authority. In our own parish life, we are blessed with

the NEW PARISH VISION TEAM to share in the service of the parish priest. They have begun with the **induction** this week, and meet next on 5th Oct to continue their shared ministry of leadership.

the CHURCH TEAMS are part of our system of authority, volunteers with Mike Thornber and Gina Steed as leaders, meeting monthly for the day to day decision-making for smooth running in each church: SH meet on Monday 11th Sept - and SJS meet, with an altered date this month, Tuesday 19th Sept.

the PARISH OPEN FORUM is an integral part of our parish discernment and decision-making, including all parishioners to contribute: the next Parish Open Forum is in November.

CREATION TIME

Pope Francis urges all Catholics worldwide to the **Care of Creation**, especially on the Universal Prayer Day: Friday 1st September. We join in with many following the whole month as **Creation Time until 4th Oct, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi**. All are urged and invited to join in in your own ways, and we offer:

- ✠ **efforts** to walk more daily, get on your bike, get outside and appreciate the planet to protect it, giving thanks for our pets and gardens
- ✠ **“Living in Creation Today”**: a talk with Fr Tom Cullinan on Saturday 16th Sept in Sacred Heart. Inspiration for today’s Christians in being natural and faithful to God’s gifts, doing justice to the beauty of our world. 10.30-12.30 followed by lunch...open to everyone
- ✠ Sponsor the **Knights annual Bike Ride** on Sunday 17th Sept from 1pm
- ✠ Celebrate **Harvest Thanksgiving** on Sunday 24th Sept: ideas welcome now
- ✠ **Mass on the Beach**: when would it suit you? Or in your garden?

MEDITATION

“SOULCARE” offers teaching and support for developing contemplative prayer for any who want to try it. The **Annual 4 Day Retreat** is this week in St Joseph’s Prayer Centre, Freshfield – led by Fr Tony. **Weekday Meditations** take place on Wednesdays and Fridays at 6.30p, for ½ hour, in SJS Church – restarting from Wed 13th Sept. **Monthly Soulcare Days** are each 1st Saturday at SH: eg 2nd Sept / 7th Oct: come for any or all of the sessions: 11am - 1pm, 2 - 3.30pm

MINISTRY OF MERCY

The Sacraments of the Sick and Reconciliation are offered monthly, usually during the first week: this time there is a change because of the priest’s other ministry so they are **this week**:

- for the Sick** on Tuesday at SH mass
on Thursday at SJS mass
- Reconciliation/Confessions** on Thursday after mass at SJS
on Saturday 4.45 at SH

LIVING CHRIST RETREAT:

This very special time of prayer and sharing faith begins 7.30-9pm Friday evening 8th Sept, then 10-6 Saturday 9th Sept, at St John Stone’s.

TODAY is the deadline to sign up.

Thank you to our marvellous team who continue to prepare, with prayer and practical steps: meeting this Friday, 7.30pm for those who can, and the GIFT prayer time on Tues 5th Sept at 7.30 includes the team’s support and preparation.

CALLED TO MINISTRY?

The future of the Catholic Mission depends on people called, trained and sustained in collaborative ministry. Our Archdiocese offers great opportunities:

- ✦ **BEING A CATECHIST**: a short course for **Catechists** and **those interested in becoming catechists**: a person who faithfully believes in Jesus and willing to enthusiastically share the faith they have, and wants to learn more about the Bible and Christ’s teaching .

Monday evenings for 2 weeks: September 18th & 25th @ LACE, L17 1AA;
October 9th & 16th @ Wrightington

You don’t have to have studied theology, be a teacher or be a “perfect” person!

- ✦ **FAITH4LIFE: 4 modules over 6 months: starts 30th Sept in Sacred Heart**
Discover energising and empowering ways to live out your faith in today’s world. It involves just 4 weekends over 6 months (some group meetings in between).

See poster/take a leaflet/sign up with the Archdiocese: see Gina or Debbie

- ✦ **PRAYING WITH CHILDREN: A minor miracle or a must do activity?**
Learn creative ways to pray with children, find out more about prayer, and rejoice in our Faith. **Saturday 23rd Sept, 2–5pm** at **St Patrick’s, Churchtown**. Led by Sr Joan Brown SND, from the Birkdale community, who has vast experience

This session is open to all parents, grandparents and carers for children as well as catechists – all who love to pass on faith to the children.

RCIA “COME & SEE” relaunches St John Stone at 7.30pm from Thursday 21st Sept, meeting fortnightly. This is our way of inviting and accompanying anyone who wants to find out more about faith, God and the Catholic life – and maybe become a Catholic Christian with us. Do spread the word...**Invitation cards** are at the back of church. Please add your prayer for God’s blessing on this ministry.

ACTIVITIES AT IRENAEUS:

- ✦ ‘Discovering the Beatitudes’: Thurs 14th; 21st; 28th Sept & 5th Oct, 10.30–12
- ✦ Friday 22nd-Sunday 24th Sept: Scripture w/end ‘I believe in miracles: reflections on the miracles of Jesus
- ✦ ‘Come to the quiet’ an individually directed residential retreat 25-30th Sept.