

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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**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

Sunday 25th February – 2nd Sunday of Lent

Liturgy & Spiritual Life		Community Life & Service	
Sat	5.30 Mass: Roy Bardsley SH	Hospitality after Sunday morning masses	
Sun	9am Special Family Mass: People of Parish SH	3.30 Benediction & Eve Prayer Birkdale	
Sun	10.30 Mass: Alan Prescott (A) SJS		
Sun	5pm Mass: Joseph & Bridget Gorman (A) SJS		
Mon	9.15 Morning Prayer SH	2pm Coffee & Chat SH	
Mon	9.30 **Mass: Irene O'Sullivan (A) SH		
Tues	7.30am Ecumenical prayer SH	Parish Office closed until 1pm	
Tues	8.45 Adoration & 9.15 Morning Prayer SH	2pm & 7.30 Lent Safari, Methodists Ext	
Tues	9.30 Mass: Pat Walsh (A) SH	7.30 Cursillo Ultreya Ext	
Wed	9.15 Morning Prayer SJS	4.30 Impact Extra at Methodists Ext	
Wed	9.30 Mass: Hilda MaCarrae (S) SJS	8pm "Soundbites" rock trio Club	
Wed	7pm Stations of the Cross SH	8pm Bingo SJS	
Wed	7.30 Sharing Scripture SJS		
Thur	9.15 Morning Prayer SJS	2-5pm Wellbeing #3 SJS	
Thur	9.30 Requiem: Margaret Riding SJS	6pm Brownies SH	
Thur	11am House Mass: Marie Walsh (90) Ext	7pm Indoor Bowls SJS	
Thur	7.30 Come & See SJS		
Fri	8.45 Adoration & 9.15 Morning Prayer SH	2pm Women's World Day of Prayer at Village Church Ext	
Fri	10am Requiem: Frances Haylock SH		
Fri	7pm Stations of the Cross SJS	7.45 Bingo SH	
Fri	7.30 First Friday Mass at Freshfield Ext	8.30 Quiz SJS	
Sat	9.15 Morning Prayer SJS		
Sat	9.30 Mass: Ron Coughlin SJS		
Sat	with confessions then adoration		
Sat	11-4.30 Soulcare: special beginners day SH		
Sunday 4 th March – 3 rd Sunday of Lent			
Sat	4.45 Confessions SH	Hospitality after Sunday morning masses	
Sat	5.30 Mass: People of the Parish SH	11.30 Baptism Prep Red Rm	
Sun	9am Mass: Mary Gurhy (S) SH	3.30 Benediction & Eve Prayer Birkdale	
Sun	10.30 Mass: Coughlin Family (T) SJS		
Sun	with Christening Welcome: Francis Killough		
Sun	4pm Holy Hour SJS		
Sun	5pm Mass: A&G Watson & Family (RIP) SJS		

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY

Night Shelter service for rough sleepers on freezing nights: from 8pm at 40-42 Leyland Road. It is advisable to ring Natalie Sukman 01704 547741 before going to the shelter.

The "old tenner" isn't legal tender from 1st March, so why not donate it to CAFOD's family fast day appeal? Your "old" £10 is worth £22.50 to CAFOD with **Matched Funding** and **Gift Aid** at no extra cost to you! (worth £20 from non-taxpayers).

Coffee & Chat: get together in friendship to meet new friends, on 26th Feb, 2pm at SH

60's Rock Trio SOUNDBITE play in SJS club Wednesday, 28th Feb from 8pm, free entry

CTiA Lent Safari: Tue 27th Feb at the **Methodist Church**, Thu 8th Mar: **Village Church**, Wed 14th Mar: **St John Stone**, Wed 21st Mar: **Sacred Heart**

Noel & Tricia Richards: in concert at St John CoE, 7.30 Sat 10th Mar. Tickets £8.80 from <https://www.wegotickets.com/event/422353>

Cathedral Mass: annual celebration of marriage & family life, 11am Sunday 11th March, with a special blessing for significant anniversaries.

The West Coast: Finding Fresh Ways for the Faith to Flourish by linking up across the parishes! The next 1st Friday Mass at St Joseph's Freshfield is this Friday 2nd March 7.30

St. Patrick's Day Celebration 17th Mar in SJS Club tickets £10 available from the Bar for a great night: with comedian Dusty Young and Irish Country vocalist Ryan Stone

Forthcoming Funerals

Margaret (Peggy) Riding 9.30 at St John Stone's Church, Thursday 1st March

Frances Haylock 10am at Sacred Heart Church Friday 2nd March

Pat Connor 9.30am at Sacred Heart Church Tuesday 6th March

Combined Offertory: £978.43
Special collection for CAFOD this week



ALL=Ainsdale Lunch & Leisure A=Anniversary, B=Birthday, LD=Lately Dead, PI=Personal Intention, S=Sick, T=Thanksgiving, CtK=Christ the King School
SH = Sacred Heart, SJS = St John Stone

FRESH DISCOVERIES in LEARNING the FAITH

Please God we can all be still surprised at fresh outlooks on the mystery of our Faith. Called to share in the Divine Life of God, the Holy Trinity is another way of expressing the “Good News from God”! **The 50 days of Eastertide** celebrate this gift, flowing out from the **Sacred Triduum of Easter**. Preparing for the Triduum is the purpose of our **40 days of Lent** - learning anew to share in the sufferings of Christ so as to share in his Glory.

REAL EASTER EGGS: the only Easter Egg that celebrates the REAL Easter – with a picture of Jesus on it and booklet about the Resurrection, AND it is Fairtrade and Yummy – available NOW, while stocks last, at the back of church, only £4 each.

“ON THE 3rd DAY” is the title of the **Ecumenical Safari** groups: looking together at the wonderful meanings of the Resurrection and the New Life of Christian faith. This week it is at the Methodist Church on Tuesday 27th Feb at 2pm and again at 7.30pm with the theme: The Resurrection – So What?

FAITH-LEARNING: receiving, deepening, sharing, passing on.

John Sullivan will lead an interactive session of discussion and reflection exploring what we mean by 'education in faith' - the various ways we can learn about and from our faith, and what helps and hinders us in such faith-learning. Sure to be an inspiration for all. Saturday 24th March, 2-3.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall.

FAITH4LIFE: We are very blessed in parishioners doing other ways of learning in the faith: Irene, Anne, Veronica and Andrew on Faith4Life which meets next on March 10th/11th. Debbie is doing the new Diploma in Pastoral Ministry at Hope Uni

WELLBEING: Annie, Colin, Fr Tony, Gina and Monica are enjoying and being stretched by this course.

LENT: THE CALL TO PRAYER and the LITURGY

Weekly in HeartStone: Stations of the Cross, Adoration, Psalms – see front page.

SYNOD 2020: #1 the Year of Prayer

Please use the Archdiocesan **SYNOD prayer card** in your personal prayer.

✦ **Holy Hours:** Our Pastoral Area Holy Hour with Archbishop Malcolm is Friday 16th March at 7.30pm at St Joseph’s, Birkdale.

✦ Also at St John Stone’s at 4pm on Sundays March 4th and 11th

✦ **Priests Praying:** Fr Tony will join other priests and the Archbishop for the call to prayer time on Wednesday 14th March at the new centre in Wrightington.

✦ **Our Children in “With You Always”** have been learning about prayer this session

✦ **Prayer with other Christians:** the **Tuesday Ecumenical Prayer Group** meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7.30am for an hour, during February at Sacred Heart.

✦ **Women’s World Day of Prayer** at 2pm in the Village Church: Friday 2nd March

✦ **SOULCARE MEDITATION:** simple, silent prayer with teaching how and why to practise meditative prayer. On Saturday, **3rd March** in Sacred Heart hall, 11-5, there is a special beginners welcome. Come for all or any of the 3 sessions.

✦ **Growing in Faith Together (GIFT)** the newly revitalised prayer meeting begins again monthly on Tuesday 6th March at 7.30pm in St John Stone House.

LENT: THE CALL TO FASTING and REPENTANCE

Friday is a good day, weekly, to mark the sacrifice of Jesus on **The Good Friday**, and share in the continued suffering of His people, and those persecuted for the faith.

FORGIVENESS and MERCY: our personal prayer is the first way of seeking to know God’s forgiving love.

The **sacrament of reconciliation** is available on Saturday 3rd March and again on 24th March or by request.

The **Parish Reconciliation Service** for Lent will be on Tuesday 20th March at 7.30pm at Sacred Heart.

Prayer and Fasting for Peace – please continue in any way you can.

LENT: THE CALL TO GIVING and OUTREACH

The Lenten Alms: boxes are just inside the churches - your envelopes or money can go in anytime, or in the collection...for Refugees via Asylum Link Merseyside

SVP collection at the end of Sunday mass when there is no other special collection.

MRANG: donations welcome of ladies’ and children’s clothing, ladies’ toiletries, nappies – for destitute families here, fleeing from the terror in their own homes.

NUGENT: our Archdiocesan charity for care in our community with practical services and support to those who are vulnerable or isolated. The collection in all churches is now on Sunday 11th March.

Celebrating Our Loving Outreach

Thursday 22nd March in St John Stone Hall from 7pm

The Parish Vision Team host appreciation of all we do already in your service and charity, and share how God is sharing his blessings with others through us. Come...

Come and See: a “thinking” evening on Monday 19th March from 7.30pm in SJS to ask how we can reach out in invitation for others to know Christ, come to the faith and join us in the RCIA: Come and See group. Everyone is welcome.

IMPROVE WOODVALE – Friday 23rd March at 7.30pm is the next meeting.

Our **Film Night** to help learning about mental health offers “One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest” on Friday 9th March at 7.30pm in the Red Room at SJS House

Outreach as Christian Citizens: Sefton Older Persons’ Forum is a monthly Ainsdale opportunity, NEXT ONE IS Tuesday 6th March 10.30-12 at A.L.L. Older folk get to have a say on local issues and their voice heard. Just come along, or contact Justine on 538411

Woodvale Association’s Newsletter is available at the back of church, help yourself.