

THE PARISH HOUSE AND LEADERSHIP

Sacred Heart Church (SH): 483 Liverpool Road, Ainsdale, Southport, PR8 3BP
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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**

HeartStone Life

Sociable Sunday in SJS: Last Sunday's pilot went so well, the volunteers have decided to continue. So, put it in your diary now – Sunday 19th March, 3.30-5pm for company, cake and chat in SJS Club. Transport available by request. All churches welcome.

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

Our Chosen Charities

Thank you! Over £800 raised from SJS Club's "Lionel Richie" tribute act.

Next Social Event: SJS Quiz Night Friday 3rd Mar 8.30 pm. £2 per player. Bring a team, or come and join other people; it's great fun. You're very welcome! Celebrate **St Patrick's Day**, 17th March with Our Ladies Guild Mass at 7.30pm. Then join us in the Club with Irish singer **Sinead Brennan**. Tickets £10 from Donna (577170).

SH Quiz & Hot Pot Supper: Sat 25th March at 7.30pm. £5 including hot pot supper (bar available)

SUAG enjoyed doing their talk to us, and will give us their "wish list" soon.

Nugent: invite you to a "Dignity-tea morning" at Clarence High School, Formby, with a performance from their Performing Arts pupils. Fri 31st March 2017 at 11-12. Info:

Nicole.dunn@nugentcare.org

Around the Archdiocese

NEW Circle Dancing, St Peter's Church Hall, Birkdale. Free Taster Wed 8th March, then 2nd & 4th Wednesday of month, 7.30-8.30. For info, ring Brenda on 212578.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS show, at Christ the King School, 7/8/9th March. Doors open 6.30pm, show starts 7pm. Tickets £5 adults/£4/child from school office.

Animate Life & Soul: praise & worship evening at Holy Family Church, Brompton Rd, 15th March 7-8pm with Benediction. Led by the Archdiocesan Youth Ministry Team, all welcome!

Money Matters: Thank you! Missio Red Boxes collected £911.91

COMBINED MONEY MATTERS		
Offertory	S/Orders	Total
£1027.99	£159.00	£1186.99

*Lenten Alms collected in Lent go to local SVP
Next Sunday there is a CAFOD 2nd collection*

**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.

5th March - 1st Sunday in Lent

Yr A	LITURGY & SPIRITUAL LIFE	COMMUNITY LIFE & SERVICE
Sat. Eve	4.45 Confessions 5.30 Mass: People of Parish	Hospitality after morning masses
S	9am Mass: The Unemployed	11.30 Baptism Prep SJS
U	with Christening Welcome: Thomas Ridgeway	1.30-4pm "All is Grace" talk, Bishop Eaton
N	10.30 Mass: John Wharton (A)	2pm leave for Cathedral
	with Christening Welcome Sebastien Ratchford	3pm RCIA Rite of Election at Cathedral
	5pm Mass: Finbarr Gurhy (S)	
Mon	9.15 Morning Prayer SH 9.30 Liturgy of Word & Communion SH 6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer SJS	2pm Choir Practice SJS
Tues	8.45 Adoration & 9.15 Morning Prayer SH 9.30 Mass: Tony Wilson (LD) SH with ministry of sick 6pm Spiritual Counsel SJS 6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer SJS	1pm Ince Theology Group Ince 7.30 GIFT Prayer Group SJS
Wed	9.15 Morning Prayer SJS 9.30 Mass: Mike Darcy (LD) SJS with ministry of sick 6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer SJS 6.30 Stations of Cross led by Ralph Hope SH 7.30 Sharing Scripture Laudato Si #2 SJS	2 & 7.30 Lent Safari at Village Church 8pm Bingo SJS
Thur	9.15 Morning Prayer SJS 9.30 Mass: Dick Fitzgerald (LD) SJS followed by Adoration til 11 6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer SJS 7.30 Come & See led by Anne Pickup SJS	1.30 Foodbank Ainsdale ALL 6pm Brownies SH 7pm Indoor Bowls SJS 8pm OLG Committee Meeting SJS
Fri	8.45 Adoration & 9.15 Morning Prayer SH 10.30 Requiem: Pat Walsh SH 6.30 Meditation and Evening Prayer SJS 7pm Stations of Cross led by Choir SJS 7.30 Mass: Bertha Lloyd (A) SJS	CAFOD Lent Fast Day 8pm Bingo SH 8.30 Quiz Night SJS
Sat	9.15 Morning Prayer SJS 9.30 Mass: Fr Sean Quinlan OSA SJS Adoration til 11	10-2 KSC retreat in Hall SJS

12th March – 2nd Sunday in Lent

Sat. Eve	5pm Evening Prayer SH 5.30 Mass: Peter McNamara (A) SH	Dementia Awareness Week Priest's Hospital Ministry
S	9am Mass: Peter of the Parish SH	Hospitality after morning masses
U	10.30 Mass: Charles Makin (A) SJS	11.30 W Y A Team Meeting
N	12.30 Baptism: Thomas Ridgeway SJS 4.30 Evening Prayer SJS	1pm Southport Clergy Meal
	5pm Mass Watton, Gorman, Biddle (A) SJS	

TO BE UNITED IN LIVING LENT LOVINGLY.....

Please look forward to celebrating Easter Day on Sunday 16th April.....

The Purple “Living Lent Lovingly” sheet is still available, offered with ideas old and new to help you make the most of Lent

“The Meaning of Lent” booklet from the CTS a marvellous, inspiring appreciation of what Lent is all about, with ancient, traditional and modern outlooks. For everyone....

Stations of Cross during Lent will take place each Wednesday of Lent at SH at 6.30pm, and each Friday of Lent at SJS at 7pm

Lenten Dates for your Diary Now:

- **Come and See:** from today at the Cathedral, when the Archbishop greets them at the start of their Lenten preparation to be received into full communion in our Church at Easter, we accompany Maureen and Steve with the weekly Catechesis session and special prayers and ceremonies. They and all others in Southport’s “Come and See” will be included in the prayers of the faithful at mass.
- **The GIFT Prayer Group** meets this Tuesday 7th March at 7.30pm in SJS via Parish House.
- **CAFOD:** today we hear of ways of joining in our Pastoral Area team and on **Friday Fast Day** on 10th March, you can use the envelope to donate your money next Sunday, or just bring the money along.
- **Our Lady’s Guild:** monthly mass on Friday 17th March, 7.30pm, the Feast of St Patrick. Lenten Retreat Day on Saturday 8th April in SJS, 9.30am-3pm, open to all and all genders!
- **Woodvale Community Breakfast** and Planting: eat from 9.30am in SJS Club on Saturday 25th March then join in the bulb planting for Sandbrook Way.
- **OCTAVE choir concert: From Tears to Joy:** Friday 31st March at 7.30pm in SJS - a very special evening of spiritual music. Tickets £5, available now.

PASTORAL AREA UNITY:

Holy Hour and Evening Prayer: The priests of the Southport Pastoral Area invite you to join them at St Joseph’s on Wednesday 22nd March from 5–6pm. Please come along to share the silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and the Church’s Evening Prayer.

Mass with Music Ministry: Thanks to the representatives from the various parishes that came to Our Lady of Lourdes in February. The hope is that we will support each other and learn from each other. A Pastoral Area Mass at **St Marie’s on Wednesday 29 March at 7.30pm** will be an opportunity for us to pray and sing together. Each parish will be contacted so that we can plan the liturgy together.

BEING DISCIPLES IN A CHANGING CHURCH:

Saturday 18th March, from 2.00 – 3.30pm at Sacred Heart, John Sullivan will address the questions about: What are the basic building blocks or essential features in being a disciple of Jesus Christ? What are the key qualities to be ‘lived into’? What are the changes in the church which call for different emphases (as well as continuity) in our role as disciples? All are welcome.

IRENAEUS SPIRITUALITY TEAM:

The Living Christ Retreat:

THANK YOU to our volunteers with a fine response on Tuesday. We go to the Irenaeus Centre on Tuesday 21st March for team building and formation.

On Saturday 29th April Fr Chris will lead a time on the **5 Ways of Sustaining Faith**

MATTHEW’S GOSPEL: Seek the Pearl of Great Price

Fr Chris Thomas will lead us learn afresh about the purpose of the writer, the original audience and the relevant themes for us Christian disciples today. Saturday 1st April, 10am-4pm with light lunch, at SJS. No charge, although donations welcome.

THE CONFERENCE: COME AND SEE 2017

At Christ the King School, 14th-15th October. Keynote speaker: *Timothy Radcliffe OP*. Workshop leaders: Steve Atherton, Fiona Castle, Dermott Donnelly, Pat Kennedy, David and Mary Matthews. Margaret Duncan is the guest speaker on the Saturday evening. Archbishop Malcolm is the main Celebrant at the Sunday Mass. Music led by Jo Boyce and Friends. Mime by Steve Murray. Booking forms available by sending SAE to Irenaeus 32 Great Georges Road Liverpool L22 1RD or email jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or website www.irenaeus.co.uk

SUPPORT FOR SHARING IN THE MINISTRIES:

Thank You to all who give service in the different ministries in the parish – more and more this is vital for the future of our church.

Looking Out for the Elderly: Tues 14th March at 7.30pm in SJS, a skills session for those in ministry and spiritual leadership: how to spot those who need help with staying warm, being well fed and keeping mentally healthy. Tips on living with Dementia. Training for Eucharistic services.

Eucharistic Ministers Retreat Day:

Thursday 16th March, 10am til 4pm with lunch, at St Joseph’s Freshfield. Fr Tony will lead a time of reflection, prayer, thinking about the ministry. With mass and lunch: 10am til 4pm. No charge – donations welcome. Please sign up with Monica in the office, and let us know if you need transport.

Asylum Link Merseyside:

The AGM is on Wednesday this week: do spare a prayer for them.

One World Concert on Saturday 18th March is their fundraising night: at St Anne’s Church, Overbury Street L7 3HJ. Doors open 6.30pm show starts 7pm. Tickets £5 in advance from 0151 709 1713, or on the door. See the poster.

Cathedral’s Golden Jubilee Events

50th Solemn Jubilee Mass: Sunday 4th June Thanksgiving and celebration mass: 11am

13th May: **Bluecoat** presents **Pierre Henry: The Liverpool Mass, at Cathedral**

10th June: **Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra** present ‘Gloria!’ at Cathedral

2nd-5th June: **Floral Tribute** (free); dazzling floral displays themed on Cathedral life.

See website & poster for more... www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk