



HeartStone: the Parish of
Sacred Heart and St John Stone Ainsdale
Living the Love of Christ: everyone welcome, everyone matters, everyone involved.



Sunday 15th September 2024 - Ordinary week 24

Liturgy & Spiritual Life			Community Life & Service	
Friday 14 th	7:00pm Living Christ Retreat	SJS		
Saturday	09:30am Living Christ Retreat	SJS		
Sunday	5:30pm Mass: Sonia Wharton (LD)	SH		
	10:30am Mass: Mary Gallagher (LD)	SJS	Hospitality after Mass	SJS
Monday 16 th	09.45am Daily: Morning Prayer	SJS	10:00am Counters	
			1:30pm Ainsdale Bridge Club	SJS Hall
Tuesday 17 th	7:30am Ecumenical prayer group	Salvation Army	5:30pm Open Evening	CtK School
	09.45am Daily: Morning Prayer	SJS	7:00pm Bingo	SH
	10:00am Sorry, no Mass today.	SJS		
Wednesday 18 th	09.45am Daily: Morning Prayer	SJS	11:00-12:00 Place2Be Community Market	SJS Hall
	11:00am Holy Hour with Exposition	SJS	4:30pm IMPACT	Methodist Hall
	12:00pm Sorry, no Mass today.	SJS		
Thursday 19 th	09.45am Daily: Morning Prayer	SJS	1:00-3:00pm Ainsdale Foodbank	Methodist
	10:00am Sorry, no Mass today.	SJS	5:30pm Revolution Dance group	SJS Hall
Friday 20 th	10:00am Mass: Robin Bond (A)	SH	10:30am Cleaners	SJS

Sunday 22nd September 2024 - Ordinary Week 25

Saturday	5:30pm Mass: Cathy & Rosanne	SH	2:00-6:00pm Room Hire	SJS Hall
Sunday	10:30am Mass: Teresa Campbell (A)	SJS	Hospitality after Mass	SJS

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Readings for the weekend - Reflecting on the Word of God

First Reading – Isaiah 50:5-9.

Isaiah proclaims that the just person is sustained in all their trials by the firm belief that God is with them.



Second Reading – James 2:14-18.

Faith without good works is dead.

Gospel Reading – Mark 8:27-35.

Even though Peter declares his belief in Jesus as the Messiah, he has no idea what this implies.

Scripture Reflections.

This weekend we listen to the second part of Mark's Gospel, which focusses more fully on Jesus' ministry. After having been consistently rejected and misunderstood, despite all he has said and done, Jesus starts to tell his disciples about the necessity of the suffering, death and resurrection of the Son of God in God's plan. The First Reading speaks of the Servant of the Lord who suffers, not in spite of his innocence, but because of it. But he is sustained in all his trials by the firm belief that God is with him. The Suffering Servant represents the many suffering just people. The New Testament sees Jesus as THE Suffering Servant. We hear Peter's profession of faith in today's Gospel. In response to his confession, Jesus makes a threefold disclosure: that the Messiah must suffer, that the disciples must be willing to share in his suffering, and that their suffering will lead them to eternal glory.

CAFOD Fast Day: an early notice that this year's CAFOD Family Fast Day takes place on **Friday October 4th**. CAFOD envelopes are already available at the back of Church, so please take one. The idea is that we give up a meal on CAFOD Family Fast Day and give the money to CAFOD to help them in their quest to feed the poor and needy throughout the world. We will hear a short talk about CAFOD during Mass in two weeks' time then have the collection on the following weekend, **5th/6th of October**. Please go to the CAFOD website – there is so much information there about CAFOD's work throughout the world.

Dates for Autumn meetings:

- **"Why Real Friends Are Good For The Soul":** – an exploration of the connections between friendship, spiritual learning and synodality. **Saturday 28th September** from 2.00-3.30pm at Our Lady of Compassion's Activity Centre. (Next to the Gild Hall, Church Road, Formby.) Speaker: John Sullivan
- **"Christians & Contemporary Culture":** – how Christians relate to the culture of our time and place. **Saturday 19th October** from 2.00-3.30pm at St. John Stone Parish Centre. Speaker: John Sullivan
- **Deanery Question Time:** – A panel of four from the Deanery will face questions on topics and issues related to Christ faith and life in the Church. **Saturday 23rd November** from 2.00-3.30pm at St. John Stone Parish Centre.

Prayers For Southport: To mark the 25th anniversary of Southport & Area Schools Worker Trust, there will be a special service to celebrate the schools of the area and to pray for the children and young people of Southport, especially after the recent events. The service will take place at Leyland Methodist Church between **4pm-5.30pm this Sunday afternoon September 15th**. All welcome.



Open Evening: You are welcome to attend an Open Evening at Christ the King Catholic High School & Sixth Form Centre on **Tuesday 17th September** from 5.30pm-8.00pm. It will be an informative & enjoyable evening giving insight of life at CTK. For more information, please email transition@christtheking-school.com or call 01704 565121.

HeartStone Adult Befriending Service: Do let us know contact details of who would welcome a visit at home?

Catholic Pic: September edition of the is available to download here: <https://tinyurl.com/ymhtphx6> (CTRL & ENTER) There are also some copies of the Catholic Pic at the back of Church.

Gardening Club: There will be a gardening morning 10:30 - 13:00 on **Thursday 26 September** at St John Stone. All volunteers welcome



Adoremus in Liverpool: A day of Eucharistic Pilgrimage for the Archdiocese to the Metropolitan Cathedral will take place on **Saturday September 21st** at 9am until 6pm. In advance of the Jubilee Year 2025, and in celebration of this Year of Prayer, we will be celebrating Mass, Reconciliation and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, followed by a Eucharistic Procession. Please see the posters at the back of Church for more information.

Readers Training: The Liturgy Commission of the Archdiocese are offering Parish Readers (existing or new) an opportunity to come together for some practical training and reflection on this important ministry during the autumn. From 10am-1pm, followed by lunch. (bring a packed lunch)

Readers are welcome to attend any of the following mornings: -

- **Saturday 28th September** St. Julie's, Eccleston. (WA10 6HJ)
- **Saturday 5th October** Christ the King, Childwall. (L16 6AW)
- **Saturday 19th October** Irenaeus, Waterloo. (L22 1RD)
- **Saturday 2nd November** St. Mary's Community Centre, Leyland. (PR25 1PD)



Dance Night: Brush off those dancing shoes for the next dance night on **Saturday 28th September** with the excellent vocal of Kate Bell and entertainer Jason Ashton. Doors open 8:00pm

Weekly total Income £1200.10 which includes:

- Plate/Envelope Offertory £409.30
- Standing Orders (weekly & pro-rated) £518.87
- Funeral, Votives £271.93

