

## Fifteenth Sunday Year C

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the peace of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour, be with you! The time is moving on to Summer and I give thanks that we have managed to catch up on our Programs for Confession, Communion and Confirmation. Thank you to everyone who has helped through the restraints of our times and circumstances. It has been wise to be cautious as we know events easily get disrupted in this day and age. Again thank you for all the help and support!

**It is important to remind everyone that on the First Weekend of August that we are reverting to previous Mass times. They will be as follows; Saturday Evening at Ashley 6 p.m. and Sunday Morning at Clayton 8.15 a.m. and 10 a.m. Please note that early Mass at 8.15 a.m. will have distancing and people encouraged to continue to wear masks so that those still feeling vulnerable will be catered for. The other two Mass will rely on courtesy and common sense.**

You will have noticed an insert in your newsletter regarding church tours of the area. I hope that some of you will find it an interesting proposition. I would love to take part myself but as you know weekends are somewhat committed.

Please note that we are having our barbecue next weekend following the 10 a.m. Mass to raise money for Ukraine. Tickets are on sale at the back to church at £2.50 to reserve a burger and drink. Extra will be on sale but your tickets will help us calculate numbers. There will be a free bouncy castle for the children, a raffle towards funds, and you can bring a pick-nick as well. Feel free to bring a ball and wickets for a game on the field. Last weekend we welcomed our first Ukrainian family into the parish and I believe others may be in the pipeline.

We welcome a new member into the faith of the Church this weekend. Please keep our candidate in your prayers!

Please also note that the Requiem of Doctor Joseph Happuarachi is to take at St Lawrence Church Cambridge CB4 1XB on Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup> at 12.30 p.m. If you wish to attend and also go to the reception afterwards please ring the family on 07712586387. There will also be a memorial Mass here at Clayton Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 12 noon. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord!

God bless and stay safe!  
**Father Anton s.c.j.**

**Our Lady & Saint John the Baptist, Ashley  
and**

**Our Lady & Saint Werburgh, Clayton**

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234216*

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**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2022  
Fifteenth Sunday of the Year  
Sunday Readings Year C**

### Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.  
We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom, to guide their choices.  
We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.  
May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.  
Amen

	Ashley	Clayton	Intentions
<b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July Vigil Mass for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>	5.00 pm	7.00 pm	Alvin Barrington No Intention
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>		8.30 am 10.00am	People of the Parishes Matthew Whitehurst and Jean McHugh
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July</b>	6.45 pm 7.15 pm	10.00 am	Joseph Hapuarachi Adoration No Intention
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July Mem of St Bonaventure</b>		10.00 am	In Thanksgiving
<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July Vigil Mass for Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>	5.00 pm	7.00 pm	No Intention People of the Parishes
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>		8.30 am 10.00 am	Enid and Eddie Edwards John Goodwin

**Confessions:** At Clayton Saturday's 10.30 – 11.30 am.  
At Ashley before Saturday evening Mass.

Please pray for Indie who is to be baptised this week.

**Counting Rota at Clayton:** The updated rota is now available in the porch. More volunteers would be welcome to join the rota. Please leave a message at the parish office if you can help.

**Flower Rota and Cleaning Rota at Clayton - Volunteers Needed:**

More volunteers are needed to join the rotas. Please contact the parish office if you can help.

**An Invitation from CAFOD:** We invite you to an evening meeting to learn about our new Campaign, **Fix the Food System**. The global food system is broken and it doesn't work for those who work the hardest – small farmers. It is a major driver of the climate emergency. The campaign explains what has gone wrong and what needs to be done. Please come along to Coolock Pastoral Centre Newcastle 7 – 8 pm on 14<sup>th</sup> July. All are welcome.

**North Staffs Vocations Promotions Group – Holy Hour of Prayer for Vocations:** Led by Father Marco Egawhary on Tuesday July 19<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 pm. At St Filumena's Church, Blythe Bridge Road, Caverswall ST11 9EA.

<b>Readers at Ashley: 5.00 pm</b>	<b>09.07.22:</b> C Byrne	<b>16.07.22:</b> C McKenna
<b>Reading Clayton: 7.00pm</b>	<b>09.07.22:</b> R McKenna	<b>16.07.22:</b> M Larkin
<b>Reading Clayton: 8.30 am</b>	<b>10.07.22:</b> M Anderson	<b>17.07.22:</b> M Lycett
<b>Reading Clayton: 10 am</b>	<b>10.07.22:</b> B Walker	<b>17.07.22:</b> M Hughes
<b>Counting Clayton:</b>	<b>10.07.22:</b> Thompson/Carter Second collection: Hagan	<b>17.07.22:</b> Egginton
<b>Church Cleaning Clayton:</b>	<b>W/c 10.07.22:</b> Group 4	<b>W/c 17.07.22:</b> Groups 5 & 5b
<b>Church Cleaning Ashley:</b>	<b>July:</b> A Wilson & S Urquhart	<b>August:</b> S & L Mifflin
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	<b>10.07.22:</b> <b>1st Leader</b> Natalie <b>2nd Leader</b> Claire L	<b>17.07.22</b> <b>1st Leader</b> Catherine <b>2nd Leader</b> Debbie
<b>Altar Flowers:</b>	<b>Clayton:</b> <b>17.07.22:</b> R Hartley <b>24.07.22:</b> J Goodall	<b>Ashley:</b> <b>09.07.22:</b> H. Brown <b>16.07.22:</b> S. Urquhart
<b>Collections thank you: Gift Aid: Direct Debit: Cash &amp; Planned Giving: Total:</b>	<b>Clayton</b> £53.00 £350.00 <u>£157.83</u> £560.83	<b>Ashley</b> <b>The Second Collection this weekend is for The Apostleship of the Sea.</b> Gift aid envelopes are available this weekend from the porch.

The total amount raised at the summer fayre was £2,283.85 to be split between the school and the parish. Many thanks to all those involved in making this a great success.

Thank you to all those parishioners who have kindly switched to standing orders for their offertory donations. Forms are available from the porch, the office or the Parishes Website in the downloads section should you wish to transfer to this method, whether gift aided or not.

**Safeguarding:** If you would like to speak to someone about safeguarding, please contact either: The Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator: 0121 230 6240 or the Parishes Safeguarding Representative: Mrs Kate Hagan 01782 613023. Protecting children and vulnerable adults from harm is our priority.

**Barbecue:** To be held on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July** at St Werburgh's following 10am Mass. All proceeds will go to the Ukraine Appeal. **(Please note change of date)** Tickets available this weekend.