

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY YEAR B

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The biggest event over the past week has been the elections. Now that we will be having a new government let us pray that all our parties' politicians will get together and work for the good of our country. Service of one another is so important. If we think only of ourselves, we create a me, me, me society. The way of the Lord is of love and justice, co-operation and service along with the witness of his words in the gospel. Let us pray for everyone in public service!

May I remind all our Eucharistic Ministers that we meet this Thursday at 7 p.m. We will start with a short adoration in the main church progressing to the upper room for our meeting. Please make every effort to be there!

It is only a couple of weeks off until the beginning of the Summer Holidays. Let us pray for good weather for our children's outdoor activities and that the weather is kind so that people can get a mental, emotional, physical and spiritual rest.

Please note that next week the retiring collection is for the Apostleship of the Sea. Seafaring is a life special unto itself. When I was studying in Southampton, many years ago, there was an active hostel for seafarers in the city. It made me aware that many are away from home for long periods of time and unless they have good friends on board their ship, they can arrive feeling very uncared for. Please pray for them and give what you can.

We remember to pray for the repose of the souls of our loved ones and friends, especially Anna Jones who died very recently! Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. Let perpetual light shine on them!

Meanwhile take good care of yourselves.

God bless,

**Father Anton s.c.j.**

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

**Our Lady & Saint Werburgh, Clayton**

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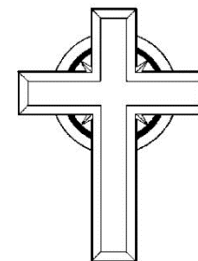
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**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
Fourteenth Sunday of the Year  
Sunday Readings Year B  
Weekday Readings Year 2**

**Blessed Miriams Prayer**

**Holy Spirit, inspire me  
Love of God,  
Consume me.**

**In the right path lead me.**

**Mary, my Mother, watch over me.**

**With Jesus bless me.**

**From all evil, all illusion, all danger,  
preserve me.**

	Ashley	Clayton	
<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July Vigil Mass</b> <b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>	6.00 pm		People of the Parishes
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b> <b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>		8.15 am 10.00 am	Alvin Barrington Sarah McGreevy RIP
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>		7.15 pm	For Healing!
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>		10.00 am	Maureen & John Mulrooney
	6.45 pm 7.15 pm		Adoration Mass
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July Feast of St Benedict</b>		9.15 am	Mass with the School
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>		10.00am	Mass
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July</b>		10.00am	Mass
<b>Vigil Mass</b> <b>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b>	6.00 pm		People of the Parishes
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July</b> <b>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>		8.15 am 10.00am	Aubrey Sammons Fred Wrigley

**Confessions at Clayton on Saturday's 10.30-11.30am. At Ashley before Saturday 6pm**

**Please pray** for the sick and elderly of our parishes and all those who have asked for prayers. May the healing touch of the Lord be with them all.

**North Staffs Area Pastoral Council** – An evening talk on Divine Revelation by Father Eamonn Mulcahy. On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 7.00 pm at Our Lady of the Angels, 106 Hartshill Road, ST4 7LT.

**CAFOD:** Thank you for the parish's solidarity with the people of Sudan. We wanted to share the amazing news that our Sudan appeal has so far raised an incredible **£769,871** for our response to this unprecedented crisis. The collection in our parish raised £400 towards the appeal. Your donations are giving food, water & shelter to families who have fled war and are facing extreme hunger. "We are thankful. Don't get tired of supporting us when we are facing these challenges until we are able to stand alone". **Sarah, 30 year old mother of four.** Donations are still urgently needed, if you are able to help please visit [cafod.org.uk/SudanAppeal](http://cafod.org.uk/SudanAppeal) - call 0808 58 588 85 - or scan the code on the poster in the Church porch.

**Clayton Reading Rota:** The updated rota is now available for readers to collect from the back of Church.

Readers	Saturday 6pm	<b>06.07.24:</b> <b>I. Thompson</b>	<b>13.07.24:</b> <b>L. Mifflin</b>	<b>20.07.24:</b> <b>J. Allbutt</b>
Readers	Sunday 8.15 am	<b>07.07.24:</b> <b>S. Sammons</b>	<b>14.07.24:</b> <b>C. Pover</b>	<b>21.07.24:</b> <b>M. Anderson</b>
Readers	Sunday 10am	<b>07.07.24:</b> <b>M. Larkin/R. Gallimore</b>	<b>14.07.24:</b> <b>A. Capper/J. Capper</b>	<b>21.07.24:</b> <b>A. Goodall/M. O'Brien</b>
Counting	Clayton	<b>07.07.24:</b> <b>Walker</b>	<b>14.07.24:</b> <b>Thompson /Carter</b>	<b>21.07.24:</b> <b>Egginton</b>
Cleaning	Clayton	<b>07.07.24:</b> <b>Group 3</b>	<b>14.07.24:</b> <b>Group 4</b>	<b>21.07.24:</b> <b>Group 5</b>
Cleaning	Ashley	July	<b>A Wilson and S. Urquhart</b>	
Flowers	Ashley	08.07.24: Sue M 15.07.24: Chris 22.07.24: Chris	<b>Clayton</b> 07.07.24: 14.07.24: 21.07.24:	Sujen Julia Helen
Children's Liturgy	07.07.24	Angela/Martin	14.07.24;	
		Offertory Collections – thank you		The retiring collection next weekend is for Apostleship of the Sea
Gift Aid	Clayton	£167.17	Ashley	Not Available
Cash	Clayton	£321.72	Ashley	Not Available
Standing Orders	Clayton	£430.00	Ashley	£92.00
Total	Clayton	£918.89	Ashley	
Peter's Pence	Clayton	£129.75	Ashley	

**Safeguarding:** The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Kate Hagan. She can be contacted at: [sg.olstwerburgh.clayton@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.olstwerburgh.clayton@rcaob.org.uk) or 01782 613023 or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.

**Our Lady & St Werburgh Primary School- Vacancies for two lunchtime supervisors:** The hours will be either 11.45am- 1pm or 12- 1.15pm, every week day during term time. Further details are on our school website: <https://www.ourlady-st-werburghs.staffs.sch.uk/our-school/vacancies>

**Meeting for Eucharistic Ministers:** On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 7pm in the upper room at Clayton.

**Youth Group:** For our last meeting of the year, we will be joining the 'Edge' group at Alton Castle on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July between 15:15 - 17:15. Please respond on the parents Whats App group, or let Claire O'Hara know on 07929036596. We will be back in September!

**Sea Sunday:** Next weekend is Sea Sunday. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at Sea. You can donate in Church or by visiting [www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate)