

# St Clement's Church Ewell

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## Lectionary Week 17

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2020 Psalter Week 1 Cycle A

<b>Sunday 26 July</b>	10.30 am	Eilish Brennan RIP
Wednesday	10.00 am	Fr John Healy RIP
Saturday	6.00 pm	All Parishioners
<b>Sunday 02 Aug</b>	10.30 am	David Anderson RIP
Wednesday	10.00 am	Tony Mason RIP
Saturday (Vigil)	6.00 pm	All Parishioners
<b>Sunday 09 Aug</b>	10.30 am	Seamus Smith RIP

### FEAST DAYS: 26<sup>th</sup> July to 1<sup>st</sup> August

Wednesday: St Martha

Friday: St Ignatius Loyola

Saturday: St Alphonsus Ligouri, Bishop, Doctor

### ANNIVERSARIES: 26<sup>th</sup> July to 1<sup>st</sup> August

Mary Waters, Sylvia Clifford, Louise Addo, Mary Osborne, Jim Oliver, Rosa Streeter, Kevin Hogan, David Kenny, Betty Hay,

RECOVERY AND WELL-BEING: Please pray for: Steve Kamm, Anne Gibbons, Chris Williamson, Bernie Sullivan, Felice Prince-Wright, Mary Frost, Michael O'Connell, Maureen O'Sullivan, Margaret Harris, Tony Bellino

### 200 CLUB RESULTS:

#### April:

1<sup>st</sup> No 109 Ahu Guray £30  
2<sup>nd</sup> No 212 Mary Bruce £20

#### May:

1<sup>st</sup> No. 76 Robin Hannan £30  
2<sup>nd</sup> No. 65 Julian Hall £20

#### June:

1<sup>st</sup> No. 100 Susanna Bellino £30  
2<sup>nd</sup> No. 186 Chris Williamson £20

#### July:

1<sup>st</sup> No. 226 Imogen Hall £30  
2<sup>nd</sup> No 108 Angela Eburne £20

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Please collect from Julian Hall - before or after Mass. Many thanks for your contributions to the up-keep of our church.

**PLEASE NOTE: FROM NEXT SUNDAY, THE NEWSLETTER WILL PUBLISHED EVERY 2 WEEKS DURING AUGUST BACK TO NORMAL IN SEPTEMBER**

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I wish you all a very pleasant and relaxing Summer. Keep Safe!

God Bless

Fr Graham

### Reflection:

The Gospel of this Sunday's Mass (Matthew 13:44-52) talks about finding treasure. There are three parables in this Gospel and they point to the most important treasure being part of God's Kingdom.



True disciples of Jesus are prepared to put him and the Kingdom of Heaven first in their lives. On our part this may involve surrendering some of the things which we are too attached to, either in the material sense or in the sense of wrong ideas and attitudes.

Finding the treasure of faith can bring us a true and deep joy, just as the man who found a treasure in a field went off happily to sell everything he owned, in order to purchase the field.

In our case becoming disciples of Jesus will bring us similar fulfilment but it requires courage along the way. In this was we shall then become, as this Sunday's second reading from St Paul's letter to the Romans says, true images of Jesus.

### Prayer by Charles Kingsley for Christian Witness

Guide me, teach me, strengthen me, till I become such a person as  
thou wouldst have me be, pure and gentle, truthful and high-  
minded, brave and able, courteous and generous, dutiful and useful

On Wednesday 8th July we opened for Holy Mass at St Clements for the first time since the “lock-down”. The obligation for Sunday Mass attendance remains in abeyance for the time being which means you can attend Mass on any day.

Unfortunately, this does not mean that we are back to where we were before the lock down. The guidance that we have been instructed to put in place for the opening of the church for private prayer will apply even more for those attending Mass, and if you have forgotten what this is, please refresh your memories by looking at the guidance at the end of this statement.

As you know, we opened the church for private prayer from Wednesday 1st July. It was good to see those who popped in for a short visit. I am most grateful to those who so kindly volunteered to do stewarding and cleaning. Going forward, we will need to continue with this when the Church opens for Mass. Times of Holy Mass either weekdays or Sundays will not be as they were before. Bearing in mind there is no obligation for the present and keeping to our new capacity of 70 persons in church, I propose starting on Wednesday 8th July.

There will be 10.00a.m. Mass each Wednesday. The Saturday Vigil Mass will be at 6.00p.m. and on Sundays, Mass will be at 10.30a.m.

- Enter through the main doors.
- Use the hand sanitiser.
- Take a laminated sheet from the steward to take with you to sit on in the pew.
- After praying, leave the laminate where you have been sitting so that the place may be cleaned.
- There is a one-way system in operation. Please exit the church through the side door left of the altar.
- Sanitise your hands again.
- The doors will remain open to allow a free flow of air and reduce the risk of people touching the door handles.
- Please do not go on or behind the altar. Candles cannot be lit.
- Toilets are not available.