15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Bidding Prayers

Presider: Having listened to the Word of God,

let us bring our prayers to the Father.

Deacon or Reader:

For ourselves and all God's people.

May we reverence the Word of God and treasure it in our hearts.

Lord, in your mercy.

R. Hear our prayer.

For the citizens of Ukraine and Russia.

May their terrible suffering come to an end and the long journey of healing begun.

Lord, in your mercy.

R. Hear our prayer.

- For farmers in danger of losing their right to choose their own seeds. May the Lord protect them from the greed of big businesses and inspire us all to share what we have so that no one goes hungry. Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For those who have died, especially Peter Hastry, Kathleen Wood and Vera Brindle. May their hearts rejoice as they see God face to face. Lord, in your mercy. **R. Hear our prayer.**
- For our own personal intentions and for those we are remembering this weekend, especially Canon Brendan Alger and all the people of this parish community. (Pause for silent prayer)
 Lord, in your mercy. R. Hear our prayer.
- Now, with the pilgrims travelling to Lourdes this week, let us ask Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette to pray for us all: "Hail Mary..."

Presider: God our Father,

open our hearts to receive your Word, so that the Gospel may grow within us

and our lives may bear fruit in deeds of justice and peace.

Through Christ our Lord.