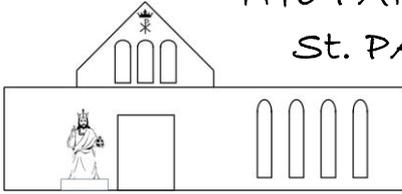
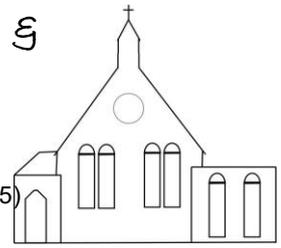


THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING, ALFRETON &
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1st Sunday of Lent: Weekly Bulletin 21st February– 01st March 2026
CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 21st February: 6.30pm Mass: Shane Canavan RIP
Sunday 22nd February: 10.30am Mass: St Anthony RIP
Monday 23rd February: **NO MASS**
Wednesday 25th February:
9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Michelle Lemal RIP
Friday 27th February: David Guyler RIP
9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass & Station of the Cross
Saturday 28th February: 6.30pm Mass: Declan Doherty Get Well
Sunday 01st March: 10.30am Mass: Helen Kenny Get Well

Clay Cross

Sunday 22nd February: 9am Mass: Sheila Doherty Get well
Tuesday 24th February:
9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: John Molony 90th Bday
Thursday 26th February: David Guyler RIP
9.30 am Adoration 10am Mass & Station of the Cross
Sunday 01st March: 9am Mass: Meg Bennett RIP

February 2026 Cleaners

Alfreton: Maureen Walker
Clay Cross: Roy K Andrews & Fly

Sick & Housebound:

Please pray for – Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, Mary Pfeffer, Hazel Titon, Martin Mullally, Elsie Stewart, Brian Bradford, Peter Egan, Ted Bennett, Jim Johnson, John Oliver, Karen Parker, Bridie Joyce, Mick Mullarkey, Kath McGrath, Mark McCallum, Roseanne Coyne, Cecilia Fletcher, Thomas Graczyk Maureen Fuller, Paul Fuller, Isobel Hopkins, Diana Davey, Eugene Grant, Patrick Mackell and Pennie Burton. ***Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.***

This Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Eugene Grant/Veronica Grant
Sunday 10.30am: Tom McCallum/Natasha Erskine

This Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: Sheila Hall/Francis Cassidy

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Moya Mellors/Alison Bailey
Sunday 10.30am: John Boxall/Fungai Chingwenje

Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: Reena Gigi/Laura Morris

Collection for 14th & 15th February 2026

Alfreton	£414.14
Clay Cross	£218.00
Standing Order	£ 282.00
Total Collection	£914.14

Repository CTK	£47.90
Candles CTK	£65.05

Many thanks for your generosity

“Lent is a time to choose love, to choose to love God above all else.”

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Christ the King Alfreton & SS Patrick & Brigid church Clay Cross:

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Second Collection: Next Saturday/Sunday (28th February & 01st March): CAFOD Family Fast Day

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day collection on February 27th 2026: This Lent, live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you join in Christ's compassion and help another family put food on the table. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. Collect a CAFOD envelope from the church porch to bless others with your support, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.

Weekly Lenten commitments: Sunday 22nd February: Pasta and rice related products, Sunday 1st March: Household products (washing powder etc), Sunday 8th March: Tinned goods, Sunday 15th March: Personal health items (shampoo, deodorant etc), Sunday 22nd March: Kitchen items (kitchen roll etc), Sunday 29th March: Chocolate and sweet treats. During this season of Lent, let us remember to live our faith through action. Please continue to fulfill your parish commitments and, if you can, be generous towards our Food Bank. Every small gift helps those in need and is a true act of love and charity.

After the 9 am Mass at Clay Cross and the 10:30am Mass at Alfreton, tea and coffee will be available in the hall. Please take this opportunity to chat, catch up with old friends, and make new ones. Share your faith experiences and enjoy the fellowship of our parish community. We look forward to seeing you there!

Parish Lunch, Monday 2nd March 2026 at 1pm. The booking lists for the March 2026 Pensioners Lunch are now at the back of both churches. If you would like to attend this lunch, please book your place by Sunday, 22nd February 2026, so we can confirm the number of people to cater for. Why not come along and enjoy a good meal, great company and fantastic entertainment? You may even win some cash at the cash bingo or a raffle prize. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sherwood Deanery Lenten Station Mass: On Tuesday, 10th March at 7pm, as part of the Sherwood Deanery, we will have the Lenten Station Mass at St Philip Neri, Mansfield. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession at 6pm, followed by the Deanery Lenten Mass at 7pm. As a parish family, you are warmly encouraged to attend this Deanery Lenten celebration as a time of renewal in our faith. Thank you.

Sacrament of Confession: The Sacrament of Confession is a beautiful and vital part of our Catholic faith, where we experience the mercy and forgiveness of our loving God. As always, Confession is available anytime upon request. During Lent, to help us prepare more deeply for Holy Mass, Confessions will be available every Saturday from 12 noon to 1pm at Christ the King Church, Alfreton. We warmly invite you to come and experience the grace, peace, and healing of God's love through this wonderful Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The Celebrate Trust has produced two resources for families in Lent: a Family Activity Pack for Lent and a Journey to Easter Joy game. Visit www.celebratetrust.org/shop/lent-family-pack-celebratehome-s45pm and www.celebratetrust.org/shop/lent-game-celebratehome-s45pm-39gpj to download them, and (if you can) to support Celebrate too.

All are welcome to join Father Jonathan Cotton in a reflection through slides, music, and prayers of The Seven Last Words of Jesus on Tuesday 24th March in Saint Wilfrid's Church, Coalville LE67 3JB, and on Thursday 26th March in Sacred Heart Church, Loughborough LE11 2HE. Both evenings begin at 7.00pm, and conclude at 8.30pm with refreshments.

Young Adults are especially invited to join Bishop Patrick, in the Nottingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026. Departing from East Midlands airport on Monday 13th July, enjoy five days in Lourdes with over 200 people from across our diocese. Help in caring for those with additional needs! Mary invites us all to come to this holy place. More details from the tour operator: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham/>

Stella Maris is looking to recruit a Regional Port Chaplain for Immingham and the South Humber Ports. If you would like to apply for this position, contact recruitment@stellamarismail.org The closing date for applications is Sunday 15th March.

Centenary Note: In Honorem Christi Regis Thomas EPVS Nottinghamensis V HVNC LAPIDEM POSVIT AD XIV KAL MART MCMXXVII: Smooth modern English version: “**In honour of Christ the King, Thomas, Bishop of Nottingham, laid this foundation stone on 16th February 1927.**” Please take a moment to share your ideas for our parish centenary (Christ the King Alfreton) celebrations. Kindly leave simple and practical suggestions in the box provided in the porch. Your input will help make this milestone truly special for everyone. Also please take a moment to share your ideas for the parish's future. Kindly leave simple and practical suggestions in the suggestion box provided in the porch regarding the Five-Year Parish Plan (both communities). Your thoughts are valuable and will help shape our parish's journey.

Baptism Preparation: We will be offering a Baptism Preparation Course every three months, led by Fiona Molumby. The sessions will take place on the first Tuesday of March, May, July, and October. Parents who wish to have their child or children baptised are kindly asked to contact Fiona in good time (fmolumby@aol.com). As Baptism is the beginning of a life of faith, parents are also encouraged to practise the faith regularly together with the godparents (2), taking part in the life of the Church and Sunday Mass. We kindly ask all candidates and parents to please attend this important session as we continue our journey together in preparation for the Sacrament.

Respond to Our Lady's invitation, and join Bishop Patrick, in the Nottingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026. Departing from East Midlands airport on Monday 13th July, enjoy five days in Lourdes, with over 200 people from across our diocese and a special offering is being made for Young Adults who wish to participate. Mary invites us all to come to this holy place. More details from the tour operator: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham/>