THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING, ALFRETON S   SS PATRICK AND BRIDGET, CLAY CROSS   104 Nottingham Road, ALFRETON, DE55 7GL   Church email: ctkchurchalfreton@gmail.com	
Alfreton	Clay Cross
Saturday 03 <sup>rd</sup> February: 6.30pm Mass:	Sunday 04 <sup>th</sup> February: 9.00am Mass: George Hall RIP
Sunday 04th February: 10.30am Mass:	Tuesday 06 <sup>th</sup> February: St Paul Miki &Companions
Monday 05 <sup>th</sup> February: <u>No Mass</u>	9.30 Adoration, 10am: Eucharistic Service
<b>Wednesday 07<sup>th</sup> February:</b> 9 am Adoration, 9.30am Mass	<b>Thursday 08<sup>th</sup> February:</b> 9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass
<b>Friday 09<sup>th</sup> February</b> : 9 am Adoration, 9.30am: Eucharistic Service	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> February: 9am Mass: Manul Soane RIP
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> February: 6.30pm Mass Molly & Peter Egan RIP	February 2024 Cleaners
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> February:10.30am Mass Helena Miazga RIP	Alfreton: Marta & York Clay Cross: Terry & Ina
<u>Sick &amp; Housebound</u> <i>Please pray for</i> – Sara Lane, Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, Betty Deane, Mary Pfeffer, Hazel Titon, Martin Mullally,	Collection for 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
Elsie Stewart, Brian Bradford, Peter Egan. Ted Bennett, Jim Johnson, Rob Lane, John Oliver, Karen Parker, Bridie Joyce,	Alfreton £237.00
Rae Morton and Maureen Fuller. <i>Please remember all in our</i>	Clay Cross £200.11 Gift aid envelopes £59.00
parish who need our prayers.	Standing Order £243.75
	Total Collection £739.86
<u>This Week's Readers</u> : Alfreton Saturday 6.30pm: Eugene Grant / Cecilia Fletcher Sunday 10.30am: Barrie Meloy / Francis O'Brien	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Radial Justice Day £86.52
This Week's Readers: Clay Cross	Candles £120.10
Sunday 9am: Wendy Tinsley / Manna	Tea / Coffee£13.60Repository£50.61
Next Week's Readers: Alfreton	Hall Hire £100.00
Saturday 6.30pm: Jacob S / Veronica Grant Sunday 10.30am: Lilianna / Tom McCallum <u>Next Week's Readers</u> : Clay Cross Sunday 9am: Patricia Byrnes / Francis Cassidy	Many thanks for your generosity

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." M Gandhi

**Palm Crosses:** Anyone who has old palm crosses is invited to put them in the porch so that they may be used for ashes.

**Parish Pensioners Lunch Club needs volunteers to take charge of running the lunch from time to time**. This involves planning the menu, the buying, and managing the kitchen on the day of the lunch. If you are interested in taking on this role from time to time, please speak to Barrie who will be happy to give you further details of what it involves. There is also a list at the back of the Church where you can see which months need covering, add your name and phone number against the month that you can commit to. Many thanks

**Calling all piano players:** Are you a pianist looking to expand your music skills? Join us at Clay Cross, where Hilary, our talented organist, is eager to help you transition to the organ! Learn to play beautiful hymns and contribute towards our worship during Mass. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to grow as a musician and serve our community. Come and chat with Hilary after Mass.

**The Bishop's Statement on Marriage** can be viewed on the notice board at the back of the Church, and also viewed on the website at <u>www.christthekingalfreton.org/letters</u>

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Fifth Sunday of the Year: The Pope recalled an occasion when someone said to him: "You talk too much about prayer. It is not necessary". The Pope's reply was emphatic: "Yes, it is necessary. Because if we do not pray, we will not have the strength to go forward in life. Prayer is like the oxygen of life. Prayer draws down upon us the presence of the Holy Spirit who always leads us forward. For this reason, I speak a lot about prayer."

To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

**Calling Catholic Teachers** If you are a Catholic teacher currently working outside of Catholic education and would like to find out more about the joys of working in a Catholic school within the Diocese of Nottingham, a virtual information session will take place on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March** from 7.00pm – 8.00pm. More information can be found on the poster at the back of church, or contact Julie Sweeney at the Diocesan education Service: julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk

Search for the Light is back again this year! Take some time out this Easter to come to The Briars for an amazing retreat experience. You can come by yourself or with your friends, no parents or teachers needed, and take part in fun activities and opportunities to learn more about and deepen your faith alongside other likeminded young people. This retreat is open to all in years 10 to 13, between **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March**, and costs £55 per person (with bursaries through the St Francis of Assisi fund). Get in contact on our Instagram (@NDCYS) or Facebook (NDCYS – The Briars) or call (01773 852044).

Applications for **The Briars Team 24/25** are now open! If you are feeling called to a volunteer year at The Briars you can find more information on our website or get in touch with us via any of our social medias @NDCYS or email <u>programmeleader@ndcys.com</u>