# THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING, ALFRETON & St. PATRICK AND St. BRIDGET, CLAY CROSS

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04th Sunday of Lent: Weekly Bulletin 29th March – 06th April 2025 CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

#### Alfreton

Saturday 29th March: 6.30pm Mass: Michelle Lemal RIP

Sunday 30th March: 10.30am Mass:

All the members of the Molumby Family

Monday 31st March: No Mass

Wednesday 02<sup>nd</sup> April:

9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Jacqui Mullarkey RIP

**Friday 04<sup>th</sup> April:** Anne Loughnane Thanksgiving 9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass & Station of the Cross

Saturday 05th April: 6.30pm Mass: Pat Coote Wellbeing

Sunday 06th April:10.30am Mass: Michelle Lemal RIP

#### 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 Graczky and Pennie Burton. **Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.** 

This Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Moya Mellors/Ryan Hudson Sunday 10.30am: Francis O'Brien/Clare Smith

This Week's Readers: Clay Cross Sunday 9am: Wendy Tinsley/Manna

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Veronica Grant/Clare Smith Sunday 10.30am: Barrie Meloy/Lilianna

Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: Rita Topp/Francis Cassidy

#### Clay Cross

Sunday 30th March: 9am Mass: Teresa Tutty RIP &

Gabriel Cottor RIP

Tuesday 01st April: Year 11 at St Benedict School Ints

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass:

Thursday 03<sup>rd</sup> April: Ints of team yellow at St Benedict

school

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass & Station of the Cross

Sunday 06th April: 9am Mass: Angela Walker RIP

#### **April 2025 Cleaners**

Alfreton: Maureen Walker

Clay Cross: Mary Bentley & Mary Shelton

### Collection for 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025

Alfreton	£291.82
Clay Cross	£180.06
Standing Order	£243.75

Total Collection £715.63

Repository CTK £5.55
Candle CTK £23.11
Second Collection: For Walsingham Shrine £229.42

Many thanks for your generosity

## "A mother understands what a child does not say."

Jewish Proverb

#### Second Collection: This Saturday/Sunday 29th & 30th March 2025: Bishop's charitable purposes

**Planned Giving Envelopes:** Your Planned Giving envelopes are available for collection from the back of the church. Please pick yours up. Any problems; ring Francis 075 92 38 63 41.

A heartfelt Thank You! Our Sacrament of Confirmation candidates had a truly memorable day last Saturday during their Recollection and Confession Day. It was a beautiful time of reflection, preparation, and spiritual growth. A special thank you to our dedicated catechists—Fiona Molumby, Hilary Badhams, Clare Meloy and Moya Mellors —for their hard work, guidance, and commitment to our young people's faith journey. Your efforts are deeply appreciated.

**Parish Lunch, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 1**pm. The booking lists for the April Pensioners Lunch are now at the back of both churches. If you would like to attend this lunch, it is very important that you book your place by adding your name by Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025 or by telephoning 07739896735 by Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 (please leave a message if no one answers) so that we know how many people we need to cater for.

**Divine Mercy Sunday:** On Divine Mercy Sunday, this year the first time our parish community will hold a special Divine Mercy Celebration on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> April, at 2pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together in prayer and receive the grace of God's Mercy. Please check the poster on the noticeboard for more details and invite your friends to join us. Let us spread the word that Christ the King Parish is hosting this beautiful devotion on Divine Mercy Sunday.

The Jubilee Pilgrimage to Walsingham with Bishop Patrick takes place on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June, gathering at the Anglican Shrine with procession to Catholic Shrine starting at 1pm. Mass will be celebrated at 4pm followed by departures. Fiona Molumby has kindly offered a minibus for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham. She can take 15 passengers, and the cost is £10 per person. If you are interested, please contact Fiona Molumby to reserve your seat. A wonderful opportunity to make this pilgrimage together!

"MISSIO BOXES - Please bring in for emptying during March/April. Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation".

**Parish Action for Lent:** Lent is about almsgiving and as a parish we are asking parishioners to bring in items for the Foodbank each week as our charitable contribution. The items can be placed at the box at the back of the church each week. We will remind each week in the newsletter. Week 4, Cupboard items: condiments/ sauces/ drinks/ tea/ coffee. Thank you

The Diocesan Women's Lent Retreat returns to Nottingham this year on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April. The theme of the retreat is 'The Sacred Heart: An Icon of Hope' and it will be given by Canon Jonathan Cotton, a fantastic retreat leader. Good Shepherd Church, Nottingham (NG5 4HT) will host the retreat which will include Holy Mass, Talks, confession, social time and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book please see the poster in church or visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/events.

**Annual Pro-Life Chain.** Each year, close to the anniversary of the implementation of the Abortion Act, SPUC holds public acts of witness around the UK to remind people of the reality and injustice of abortion. The witness is in the form of a chain of pro-lifers, standing by a road, and holding posters which indicate the reasons why we believe abortion to be unjust. The witness is silent, peaceful and legal. This year's Nottingham chain will be on Gregory Boulevard, Forest Fields, on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April from 10am until midday. Please join us if you are able to. For more information contact spucnottingham@gmail.com or call 07757 815 625. Unborn children are without a voice. Let's stand up and be a voice for them.

**Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service (NDCYS)** invites young people aged 16-18 in full time education, who are unable to join the Diocesan Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage as part of a school or parish group, to join them in taking part in the Pilgrimage. Meet like-minded young people from across the diocese, be encouraged in your faith and serve others. You will be accompanied by our experienced staff and join with the youth contingent of the Lourdes pilgrimage with young people from across the diocese. For more information contact events@ndcys.com Bookings close on 1st May.

The NDCYS is also organising a Lourdes Reunion on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July at Saint Mary's Church, Derby DE1 3AU. Young people are invited from 1am, with Mass at 3pm, followed by refreshments for all pilgrims. For more information and to register visit ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities

**Take part in the Jubilee 2025 Youth Week in Rome and Assisi**, with the Kenelm Youth Trust, led by Bishop Timothy Menezes between Thursday 31st July and Wednesday 6th August. For more information visit: www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/RM0973/

**Turning the Church inside out.** Join the diocesan Justice and Peace Commission to receive the fruits gathered by the Synod from around the world, and bring its hopes to life here in our parishes, on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 7.00-8.30pm online. The Synod on Synodality began with parish conversations in 2021. It continued in Rome last Autumn. And now it's back with us in Nottingham Diocese to plant it locally and bring it to life. The Synod's final report offers an inspiring vision of a Church rich in the relationships, gifts and vocations of all its people. Find out more and book at bit.ly/insideoutchurch

The Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service (NDCYS) is running an open retreat, Search for the Light, during Easter weekend, Maundy Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April, at The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre. Join the mission team as they walk with young people in Years 10 - Year 13 through the Easter Triduum. To book visit: ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities/search/