

THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING ALFRETON &
SS PATRICK AND BRIDGET CLAY CROSS

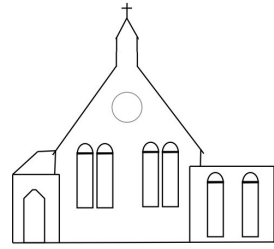
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Twenty Eighth Sunday: Weekly Bulletin 14th October – 21st October 2023
CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 14th October: 6.30pm Mass:
Sick of the parish

Sunday 15th October: 10.30am
Tracy Connolly RIP

Monday 16th October: NO MASS

Wednesday 18th October:
9 am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Leo Bentley RIP

Friday 20th October:
9 am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Michael Barrett RIP

Saturday 21st October: 6.30pm Mass
Pat Lee Ints

Sunday 22nd October: 10.30am Mass

Clay Cross

Sunday 15th October: 9.00am Mass:
Jill Thompson RIP

Tuesday 17th October:
9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Peter Hacon RIP

Thursday 19th October:
9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: For Vocations

Sunday 22nd October: 9am Mass:
Eithne Flanagan RIP

October 2023 Cleaners

Alfreton: Marta/York
Clay Cross: Bosko/Seenia

Sick & Housebound

Please pray for – Sara Lane, Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, Betty Deane, Mary Pfeffer, Hazel Titon, Martin Mullally, Elsie Stewart, Brian Bradford, Peter Egan, Ted Bennett, Jim Johnson, Rob Lane, John Oliver, Karen Parker, Bridie Joyce, Rae Morton and Diane Davey. **Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.**

Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm Peter Babe/Maureen Fuller
Sunday 10.30am Natasha Erskine/John Boxall
Clay Cross: Sunday 9am Jiya Bosko/Sheila Hall

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm Moya Mellors/Veronica Grant
Sunday 10.30am Catherine Galloway/Barrie Meloy
Clay Cross: Sunday 9am Tintu/Eileen

Collection for 07th – 08th October 2023

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| Alfreton | £291.53 |
| Clay Cross | £198.05 |
| Standing Order | £243.75 |
| Total Collection | £733.33 |

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| Candles | £33.35 |
| Repository | £2.20 |
| Hall Hire | £100.00 |
| Polish Fundraising Night | £381.67 |

Many thanks for your generosity

"People with integrity do what they say they are going to do. Others have excuses"

Laura Schlessinger

Polish Cultural Evening / Polski Wieczór Kulturalny - A heartfelt thank you to Ewa and the incredible team who orchestrated our recent Polish Cultural Evening! Ewa's dedication, alongside the collaborative efforts and generous donations of time, musical talents, and culinary skills from our community, made the event truly special. The outpouring of support, especially towards our fundraising initiatives, exemplifies the spirit of unity within our parish. Your generosity has not only enriched our cultural experience but has also contributed to the greater mission of our church. Let's cherish the memories created and continue to build a vibrant and supportive community together.

Musical Instruments: Does anybody play flute, Clarinet or Violin, in fact any melody instrument to play the hymn tunes now and then with Martin on Sunday mornings. It helps people sing especially unfamiliar hymns. If you can play "morning has broken" you're good enough. Please see Martin, our Guitarist.

Christmas Cards: Please find a wide variety of Christmas cards now available to purchase in the church porch.

Prisoners of war: Did you know that during the Napoleonic wars in the early 800s, French prisoners were held in a jail in Chesterfield. To learn more and support the Loaves and Fishes charity food shop there is an illustrated talk on Saturday 21st October at the Christian Centre (opposite Tesco) at 6pm. Entry is just £5.

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls: One of the best gifts you can give someone is to have a Holy Mass said for their intentions or for the repose of their souls. Feel free to request a Holy Mass for your intentions and Holy Souls envelopes are available in the porch.

Christmas Bazaar 2023: Christmas Bazaar is planned for Saturday 2nd Dec 2023. Please put the date in your diary.

MISSIO BOXES are due to be emptied during the month of October 2023, so please bring your boxes in to both churches. If you have mislaid your box and would like a replacement, please let us know.

Knit & Natter Appeal for remnants of fabrics: Have you finished a sewing project that's resulted in some leftover fabric? Maybe you have a "fabric stash" that could do with tidying out. Our parish Knit & Natter group are appealing for donations of fabric which could be used by members throughout the year to craft items to be sold at the bazaar and other fundraising events. Many thanks

Christians in health and social care: ethics and practice. This day of reflection and professional development for those working in or interested in healthcare is being held between 10.00am and 3.15pm on Saturday 21st October, at Our Lady and Saint Patrick in the Meadows. There are excellent speakers and workshops on topics such as freedom of conscience; caring for ourselves and our relationship with God; and our vocation to care. Tickets cost £20, and are available from: www.stmarys.ac.uk/events/2023/10/christians-health-and-social-care-nottingham

Catholic Union members in south Lincolnshire might like to note an event entitled Towards Advent being held on Saturday 25th November at Saint Luke's Catholic Church, Peterborough, to promote the work of various Catholic organisations. If you live nearby and are interested in attending, please contact the CU Director, Nigel Parker, at director@catholicunion.org.uk

For the Mass with the Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Saturday 18th November a rehearsal will be held on Saturday 4th November 10:30am-1.00pm, with tea and coffee available from 10.00am in the Cathedral. All are welcome.

In preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025 Pope Francis has asked the Church to look again at some of the documents of the Second Vatican Council. Nottingham Deanery is hosting a series of talks, open to all, and presented by specialists in each Constitution: **1)** Father Guy Nicholls cong orat, Monday 2nd October, at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour parish hall, Bulwell NG6 9ES, speaking about Sacrosanctum Concilium, the constitution about the liturgy; **2)** Father Richard Ounsworth OP, Wednesday 18th October, at Sacred Heart community center, Carlton NG4 1FP, speaking about Dei Verbum, the constitution about scripture. **3)** Doctor Mary McCaughey, Monday 20th November, at Saint John the Evangelist parish hall, Stapleford NG9 7BT, speaking about Gaudium et Spes, the constitution about the Church in the world. **3)** Bishop Patrick, Thursday 30th November, at Our Lady and Saint Patrick in the Meadows' parish hall, The Meadows NG2 1JQ, speaking about Lumen Gentium, the constitution about the Church. **4)** Each evening will begin at 7pm with a talk, followed by questions, and light refreshments, before finishing at 8.30pm. All are very welcome to come and hear more about these documents which are central to our faith.

Preaching at Advent and Christmas with Jewish people in mind – an event on Wednesday 29th November 11.00am to 1.00pm at Saint Philip's Centre, 2a Stoughton Drive North, Leicester LE5 5UB. Lunch is provided; to book a place email courses@stphilipscentre.co.uk

October is designated by the Catholic Church as the "Month of the Rosary: Here are 10 ways you can more closely align your life and home to the Rosary. **1** DESIGN AND PLANT A ROSARY GARDEN, **2** SET YOUR DINING TABLE, MANTEL OR OTHER PROMINENT AREA IN YOUR HOME WITH AN OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY ALTAR, **3** COOK FOR THE QUEEN, **4** ADD ROSARY-INSPIRED PRAYERS AT SPECIAL MOMENTS, **5** SURROUND YOURSELF WITH ART AND MUSIC THAT HONORS MARY, **6** READ A MARIAN CLASSIC, **7** DEVOTE SATURDAYS TO MARY'S HONOR, **8** PRACTICE SPECIAL ACTS OF CHARITY, **9** PRAY THE ROSARY EVERY DAY FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER OR PRAY A FAMILY ROSARY, **10** FIND WAYS TO SHARE THE ROSARY WITH OTHERS.