

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

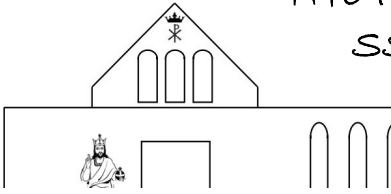
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**Twenty Fifth Sunday: Weekly Bulletin 23<sup>rd</sup> September– 01<sup>st</sup> October 2023**  
CONFESIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

**Alfreton**

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September:** 6.30pm Mass:  
John Egan RIP  
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September:** 10.30am Mass  
Michael Francis O'Hara Jnr RIP  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September: NO MASS**  
**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September: St Vincent De Paul**  
9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Kathleen Hoey RIP  
**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September:** Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael  
9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Donna Brighton RIP  
**4pm Funeral Service of Dariusz Jakubowski RIP**  
**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September:** 6.30pm Mass  
Jerry O'Brien RIP  
**Sunday 01<sup>st</sup> October:** 10.30am Mass

**Clay Cross**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September:** 9.00am Mass: Paul Brayshaw RIP  
**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September:**  
9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Kristin Holubec Ints  
**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September:**  
9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: P.T. Joseph RIP  
**Sunday 01<sup>st</sup> October:** 9am Mass:  
Gail Cotter RIP

**September 2023 Cleaners**

**Alfreton:** Bridget W  
**Clay Cross:** Mary Bentley/Mary Shelton

**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 and Diane Davey. **Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.**

**Week's Readers: Alfreton**

Saturday 6.30pm Maureen Fuller/Cecilia Fletcher  
Sunday 10.30am Francis O'Brien/John Boxall  
**Clay Cross:** Sunday 9am Wendy / Sheila Hall

**Next Week's Readers: Alfreton**

Saturday 6.30pm Jacob S/Polly Wellby  
Sunday 10.30am Barrie Meloy/Rob Farrell  
**Clay Cross:** Sunday 9am Seenia Bosko/Ted Bennett

**Collection for 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Alfreton	£246.30
Clay Cross	£150.38
Standing Order	£243.75
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>£640.43</b>

Candles	£42.62
Repository	£1.22
Knit n Natter	£8.00
BBQ	£206.82
Hall Hire	£450.00

*Many thanks for your generosity*

**“To God all things are fair and good and right, but men hold some things wrong and some right.”** Heraclitus

**Thank You to the Parish Summer Garden Party Fundraiser Trilogy:** It was very successful and I was happy to see the parish working together. Thank you for all your hard work, making it a success. A special thanks to all those who organized it.

**Dariusz Jakubowski RIP:** We pray for the repose of the soul of Dariusz Jakubowski who died recently. The funeral service will take place Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at Christ the King Alfreton 4pm followed by burial at Alfreton Cemetery. Our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

**Faith and Footprint:** Tuesday 3rd October, 7.00pm – 8.30pm Caritas invite you to its online environmental workshop, dipping into Pope Francis' Message for the 2023 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. We'll share practical ideas for reducing the carbon footprint of our churches and homes (and their energy bills). To receive the Zoom link book your place at [bit.ly/FaithandFootprint](http://bit.ly/FaithandFootprint)

**The Diocesan Choir** aims to bring together musicians from across the diocese to augment important diocesan celebrations whilst providing a place of support and community for musicians from across the diocese. To sign up contact: [cathedramusic@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:cathedramusic@dioceseofnottingham.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.

**Knit & Natter Appeal for Hooks and Needles:** Our parish Knit & Natter group are appealing for donations of your unwanted crochet hooks and knitting needles to support their work. Sometimes knitters host mini tutorials for each other (most recently Fair Isle knitting for complete beginners) and could do with a stash of spare needles etc. Many thanks.

**Polish Cultural Evening / Polski Wieczór Kulturalny** - <https://www.christthekingalfreton.org/events>: **EN:** Join us for an evening of Polish culture on Saturday 7th October, starting around 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall after the Saturday Vigil Mass. The program includes many attractions: Polish music, dancing, cake fair, games for children, lotteries with prizes, and delicious Polish food. All parishioners and guests are welcome. Any offers of help with organising will be appreciated. **PL:** Zapraszamy na wieczór kultury Polskiej który odbędzie się 7 października po nabożeństwie wieczornym o 19.30 start w hali przy Kościele. W programie zaplanowano wiele atrakcji: Polska muzyka, tance, kiermasz ciast, zabawy dla najmłodszych, loterie z nagrodami, pyszne polskie jedzenie. Serdecznie zapraszamy. Jeżeli ktoś miał by ochotę pomóc przy organizacji będziemy wdzięczni.

**Parish Lunch, Monday 2nd October 2023 at 1.00 pm.** Please put your name on the list at the back of the Church by Sunday 24th September 2023 if you would like to attend the next Parish Lunch for Pensioners. This will help us with catering. Look forward to seeing you there.

**St Vincent de Paul Society:** We will be celebrating the feast day of St Vincent de Paul on Wednesday 27th September and, as mentioned earlier, this year is particularly important since it is the 190th Anniversary of the founding of the Society by Blessed Frederic Ozanam. The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) was founded in 1833 by Blessed Frederic Ozanam, the Society is a Christ-centred organisation made up of almost 10,000 volunteers across England and Wales. While every Conference is unique, our mission is the same; to seek and find those in need, to help them in the spirit of justice and to tackle the causes of poverty where we can.

**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 centre, 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.

**'No sacrifice seems too great to follow Him'.** The monthly gatherings to discern a vocation to the Priesthood will be starting on Friday 29th September at Holy Spirit, West Bridgford, beginning with Mass at 6pm. For more information email the Vocations Director at [vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk) or telephone 01283 564814

**Saint Collette's Pregnancy Support Centre (SCPSC)** was established to support women who are pregnant in difficult circumstances and might be considering an abortion. The center, based in Nottingham, offers practical and emotional support to such women across the East Midlands. SCPSC is seeking to employ a researcher for a six-month project, the purpose of which is to investigate ways of reaching and helping more women. If you are interested in this exciting and positive opportunity, please contact John via email at [pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk) for more information. The deadline for applications is Friday 6th October.