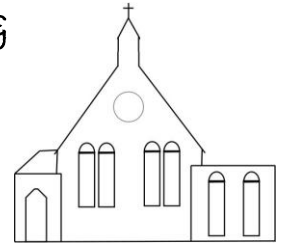
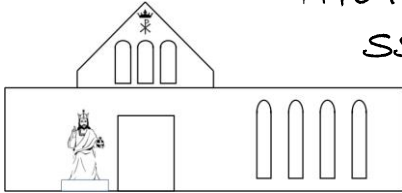


THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING ALFRETON &
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Third Sunday of Lent

Weekly Bulletin 11th March – 19th March 2023

CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 11th March: 6.30pm Mass:
Brian Thompson RIP

Sunday 12th March: 10.30am Mass
Pat Martyn B Day

Monday 13th March: **No Mass**

Wednesday 15th March: **No Mass**

Friday 17th March: **St Patrick: 6.30 pm Mass**

Saturday 18th March: 6.30pm Mass

Sunday 19th March: 10.30pm Mass
Thomas McCallum RIP

Clay Cross:

Sunday 12th March: 9.00am Mass: **Thomas Kerlin RIP**

Tuesday 14th March: 10am **Eucharistic Service**

Thursday 16th March: **No Mass**

Sunday 19th March: 9am Mass:

March 2023 Cleaners

Alfreton: **R M Coyne**
Clay Cross: **Mick & Marie Cassidy**

Sick & Housebound

Please pray for – Sara Lane, Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, Betty Deane, Mary Pfeffer, Hazel Titon, Martin Mullally, Leah Philbin, 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 Kate B

Sunday 10.30am Fiona

Clay Cross: Sunday 9am Fran Hill

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm Cecilia Fletcher

Sunday 10.30am Catherine Galloway

Clay Cross: Sunday 9am Suzanne Smith

Collection for 04th - 05th March 2023

Alfreton

Total £306.35

CAFOD £278.00

Hall hire £150.00

Candles £33.75

Standing Orders £203.00

Clay Cross

Total £257.02

Many thanks for your generosity

“There is a stranger who is more than a friend, and a friend who is worse than a stranger.” Michael Bassey Johnson

St Patrick's Day Celebration at Christ the King church Alfreton: We are celebrating St Patrick's day on 17th March at Christ The king church Alfreton. Mass at 6.30 pm followed by a party at Parish Hall at 7.30 pm. There will be food and cultural events in the Parish Hall. Volunteers are welcome to help with the preparations. For more information please contact Mary Bentley, Rob Farrell and Manu John.

Doing something for Lent: Lent is supposed to be a season of a successful journey through the desert of penance to a new land and a new, deeper, intimacy with God. But often, we find ourselves going back to the same old Lenten pathways of past years and end up getting nowhere. My aim here is to put into your hands some fresh Lenten ideas to help you approach the season in a new way so Lent can become for you the experience of lasting change that it is intended to be. During Lent some people give things up, some people do something extra and some do both. We do this because we want to be a better Christian. Do a small extra thing during Lent 2023. **Lenten Journey & Action:** As a parish Lenten action, we ask all to donate one item per week: Week 3 cleaning items: washing up liquid/ washing powder, Week 4 Personal hygiene: shampoo/ deodorant/soap, Week 5 tinned meat and fish, Week 6 Easter eggs.

Lenten Confession at Christ the King Alfreton: 29th Wednesday at 6.30pm till 7.30pm and 31st Friday after the 9.30am Mass. We will have a visiting Priest. Please avail of this Sacrament for Lent.

Ss Patrick & Brigid, Clay Cross: On Wednesday 7pm Novena and Station of the cross. All are welcome

Christ the King Alfreton: As it is Mother's Day on Sunday 19th March there will be no refreshments served after the 10.30 Mass at Alfreton.

Winners for March Lottery were Mrs C Fletcher, Mrs M Shinfield, Mr L Law, Mr J D Johnson and Mr P Walker. Next draw 1st April

MISSIO BOXES are due to be emptied again during March 2023. Please bring in your boxes in to both churches. If you have mislaid your Missio box and would like a replacement box, please let us know and we can arrange to obtain a new one for you.

CTK Warm Space: Come along to our Warm Space in the Church Hall from 9.00am to 4.00pm every Tuesday. Turn off your heating at home and join us for some good company, board games, jigsaw, bottomless teas and coffees, cakes, biscuits and lunch. There is a TV in the hall and free WI-FI. Hope to see you there until the end of April 2023. We need volunteers to help staff this so if you can spare a morning or afternoon to help make and serve refreshments and lunch as well as welcome visitors to the Warm Space, please sign up on the list at the back of the church, many thanks

For Sunday 12th March: Thank you for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal this Lent. Your generous donations, rooted in love, will support families around the world grow in strength to fight the climate crisis. You can still give online at cafod.org.uk/lent. Consider also advertising CAFOD's Facebook Pages / SocialMedia about the Lent appeal: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ULTqHsawCZU>

Following the success of the Saint Bernadette Relic Tour last October, the Diocese has produced a Relic Tour Souvenir Book recalling the Visit, with many photographs of the two days, the texts of the homilies preached, and prayerful reflections. Priced at just £2, orders can be placed with your parish priest / parish office, for delivery before Easter. Orders received by 3rd April will also receive a Complimentary Lourdes Prayercard.

The next online Warmer Welcome Workshop takes place on Tuesday 14th March at 7.00pm. Anyone involved in running a community café or drop-in from parish premises is welcome. This month's session will be an opportunity to take stock of what we've learned from opening 'warm spaces' over the winter and plot a course for the future. To book visit bit.ly/WarmerWelcome

The Cistercian Nuns of Holy Cross Abbey (Whitland, Pembrokeshire SA34 0QX) are holding a series of Come and See weekends in April, August and October. More information is available on the poster at the back of church, or be contacting comeandsee@gmail.com, or visiting www.hcawhitland.co.uk

Faith and Footprint: Caring for Creation: Caritas is hosting an online workshop on Tuesday 7th March, 7.00–8.30pm to support parishes in developing environmental initiatives. Will Cruddace from CAFOD will be joining to introduce the Livesimply scheme, and we'll share inspiration and ideas for those already on the journey. Caritas will also explore how to save energy bills in church and at home and reduce our carbon footprint. To find out more and receive the Zoom link visit bit.ly/FaithandFootprint

Come to Lourdes! Bishop Patrick invites everyone in our diocese to join him in coming to this beautiful Marian Shrine between Saturday 15th and Thursday 20th July. Travel will be by air from East Midlands Airport, and the five-night all inclusive prices (full board) start at £709. See the poster at the back of church for more details, or visit <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/diocese-of-nottingham>

Young Adults' Retreat with Jack Valero: A day retreat in Lent for Young Adults in the Diocese of Nottingham. Saturday 11th March at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Mickleover, Derby. The day will be absolutely free and include lunch.

Men's Retreat with Fr Julian Green: A retreat for men in the Diocese of Nottingham on Saturday 18th March at the Rosmini House of Prayer. The retreat will be led by Fr Julian Green from the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Women's Retreat with Sr Ann Swailes OP: A retreat day for women in the Diocese of Nottingham. Join women from across the diocese on Saturday 25th March in prayer and reflection at the Rosmini House of Prayer. The retreat day will be led by Sr Ann Swailes OP, The cost of the day will be £20 which includes lunch and refreshments. The day will begin at 9:30AM and will finish at 4:00PM.

Retreats in the Diocese of Nottingham this Lent –The Diocese of Nottingham is again offering day retreats to help you grow closer to God this Lent through talks, discussion, prayer, Mass, confession and social time. The Men's Retreat on Saturday 18th March given by Father Julian Green (Birmingham Priest) will be focused on men of scripture and what we can learn from them; the Women's Retreat given by Sister Ann Swailes on Saturday 25th March will follow the theme 'Here I am Lord I Come to do your Will' – How can we know and accept God's will for our lives? The Retreats will be held at the Rosmini House of Prayer (LE7 4SJ) and cost £20, including lunch and a light breakfast. To book visit: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events, email adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham or call 0115 953 9841.