

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

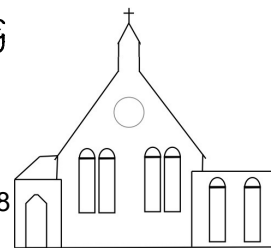
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18th Sunday of Ordinary Time: Weekly Bulletin 03rd – 11th August 2024
CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 03rd August: 6.30pm Mass: Glynis McCallum RIP

Sunday 04th August: 10.30am Mass: Joe Kinsella RIP

Monday 05th August: No Mass

Wednesday 07th August:

9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Margaret Neale RIP

Friday 09th August: St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Nancy Hynes Ints

Saturday 10th August: 6.30pm Mass:

Sunday 11th August: 10.30am Mass: Isobel Woodward Ints

Clay Cross

Sunday 04th August: 9am Mass: Betty Deane RIP

Tuesday 06th August: The Transfiguration of the Lord

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Deirdre Curtis Ints

Thursday 08th August: St Dominic

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Mary Hickey Ints

Sunday 11th August: 9am Mass:

August 2024 Cleaners

Alfreton: Maureen Walker

Clay Cross: Roy K Andrews & Family

Sick & Housebound

Please pray for – Sara Lane, Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, 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 Mick Mullarkey. **Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.**

This Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Moya Mellors/Veronica Grant

Sunday 10.30am: Barrie Meloy/Natasha Erskine

This Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: Wendy Tinsley/Manna

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Maureen Fuller/Paul Fuller

Sunday 10.30am: John Boxall/Catherine Galloway

Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: Patricia Byrnes/Seenia Bosko

Collection for 27th & 28th July 2024

Alfreton	£279.59
Clay Cross	£198.35
Standing Order	£243.75

Total Collection **£721.69**

Repository	£5.25
Candles	£31.85
Tea/Coffee: Alfreton	£72.45

Many thanks for your generosity

“Love doesn't just sit there, like a stone; it has to be made, like bread, remade all the time, made new.” Ursula K. Le Guin

Christ the King Alfreton & SS Patrick & Brigid church Clay Cross:

Bank Details: Cheques payable to - Christ the King Alfreton RCP, Account No: 03155671, Sort Code:30-92-59

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, for the Eighteenth Sunday of the Year: Sometimes we are distracted as we try to pray: this calls for our cultivation of the virtue of vigilance, by which we focus our lives on doing the Lord's will daily in expectation of his return. A second difficulty is the experience of dryness when our hearts: the spiritual masters acknowledge that the life of faith involves times of consolation but also of desolation, when we share in the Lord's sufferings. A third difficulty is spiritual fatigue, the abandonment of prayer altogether: the saints faced these same difficulties and teach that true progress in the spiritual life comes about through daily perseverance, like that of Job who remained constant even amid his many afflictions. To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

Pensioners Parish Lunch, Monday 5th August 2024 at 1pm. Many thanks and looking forward to seeing you there.

Our parish is currently undertaking the Enabling Our Mission campaign on Sunday 4th August 2024 (Alfreton) after the Holy Mass. As always I am amazed at your generosity and participation for any parish initiative, I know I can rely on you. With deep gratitude and thank you.

New Translation of the Lectionary: For many years there have been proposals to introduce a new English translation of the scripture readings for the Mass. The England & Wales bishops have now approved this proposal which will be implemented on the 1st Sunday of Advent 2024. I am thoroughly grateful for your generous donation which has been allocated for our new Lectionaries for both churches.

2024 Parish Summer Finally Social Event: A Bar-B-Q on August 11th after the 10.30 Mass in the Presbytery Garden.

First Friday Adoration: CTK invites the whole family to take part in monthly adoration on the 1st Fridays. Day starting at 9am followed by mass at 9:30 with exposition and adoration, concluding with Holy Mass at 6pm. Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said at 3pm. If interested please write your name down and approximate times to attend so we can ensure that someone present at all times. Will also be holding a children's choir sing-along including pizza directly after the Adoration for those interested please write names down so it can be planned. More details contact Anita Day (07709445578)

Fatima Pilgrimage in January: Arranging our own parish pilgrimage to Fatima mid-January, cost is approximately £250 per person (based on sharing room) which includes flights and hotel for 4 nights (food/transfers not included). Flights from Manchester to Lisbon. If interested, contact Anita Day for more details (07709445578), ASAP, by 31st July latest.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2025: Bishop Patrick will be with us for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 19th June at 7pm. If you are in year 8 or above and wish to be confirmed, please collect and complete an application form, from the back of the church. This needs to be given back along with your baptismal certificate by September 12th. Our Enrolment Mass is Sunday 29th September. Any question please see Fiona Molumby or Father Paul.

RCIA Program: Have you ever thought that you would like to know more about what Catholics actually believe? Perhaps you have been coming to Mass with your Catholic friend or spouse and would like to know how to take the next step, or you may just be curious to know more about the Catholic faith! You may feel that you have missed out on Religious Teaching or perhaps you are returning to the practice of the faith and would like a little guidance. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is just for you. We shall be starting our next course in September. If you are interested or want to know a little more please speak to Fiona Molumby or Deacon Mike.

This year's Dowry Pilgrimage to Walsingham, on Sunday 1st September, will be led by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP. More information is available at www.walsingham.org.uk/event/dowry-of-mary-pilgrimage-3/

March for Life happens in London on Saturday 7th September. There are many attempts at the moment to further liberalise abortion in the UK and to silence those offering any alternative viewpoint, whether it's 'pills by post' abortions, 'decriminalisation', buffer zones, or censorship of pro-life students at universities. The dangers of these situations are being highlighted by the theme of this year's March for Life which is 'Abortion isn't healthcare'. Join thousands at this family-friendly event. Find out more at www.marchforlife.co.uk or contact Marie on marielangford@live.co.uk about the coach going from central Nottingham.

The SPANNED Annual Mass is being celebrated by Bishop Patrick at Saint Peter's Church, Leicester Road, Hinckley on Saturday 21st September with our five diocesan groups and many friends, at 2.30pm. SPANNED has been working on climate change over the last two years and will present their findings to the bishop at the Mass in the form of a Manifesto, called "If you want to change the world, then change your life". For more details contact Father Frank Daly after 25th August on 01455 634443 or at hinckleypriory@gmail.com. Likewise, if you are coming we would like to know numbers so that you can stay with us for some refreshments afterwards. All are very welcome.

The Saint Colette's Pregnancy Support Centre is seeking to appoint a part time paid coordinator. The centre which is based in Nottingham supports women who are pregnant in challenging circumstances, by offering practical, financial and emotional support through pregnancy. An individual is sought to coordinate weekly activities from September, on a part time, paid basis; hours are negotiable. For more information please contact John by email at pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Adoremus is a Eucharist centred event that was last held in Liverpool, in 2018. The focus of the day is on the Eucharist with Mass, Adoration and Benediction as well as keynote speakers; Bishop Alan McGuckian of Down and Connor; Sister Margaret Atkins OSA. It is being held at Saint Mary's, Oscott on Saturday 14th September. Tickets are £10.00 and are limited, being held for young adults, so it is first come first served. Use the QR code to sign up now!

Invocation at Adoremus is a day organised by the Bishops, Vocations Directors, and Catholic Youth Ministry Federation in England and Wales, on Sunday 15th September at Oscott College, Birmingham. As Jesus is at the heart of our Mass and Catholic Lives, Invocation invites us to reflect on how we follow Jesus and respond to the universal call to Holiness; to discern and embrace our vocation. This day will offer the time, resources, formation, and accompaniment to embrace what God is asking of you. Invocation is offered free of charge. Attendees must be aged 18 or over to attend: <https://cymfed.org.uk/invocation-at-adoremus/>