

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

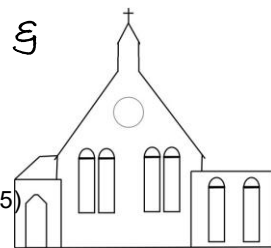
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Fifteenth Sunday: Weekly Bulletin 12th – 20th July 2025 CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 12th July 6.30pm Mass: Anne Brooks Ints

Sunday 13th July: 10.30am Mass: Tadeusz & Halina RIP

Monday 14th July: No Mass

Wednesday 16th July: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Bobby Charlton RIP

Friday 18th July:

9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Ronan Waldron Ints

Saturday 19th July: 6.30pm Mass: Mary Hickey Ints

Sunday 20th July: 10.30am Mass: Oakes Family Ints

Clay Cross

Sunday 13th July: 9am Mass: Richard Cebula RIP

Tuesday 15th July: St Bonaventure

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Private Ints

Thursday 17th July:

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Abina & Garratt Ahern RIP

Sunday 20th July: 9am Mass:

July 2025 Cleaners

Alfreton: RM Coyne

Clay Cross: Maggie Smith

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 Graczyk, Maureen Fuller, Paul Fuller, Isobel Hopkins, Diana Davey, Eugene and Pennie Burton.

Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.

This Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Clare Smith/Moya Mellors

Sunday 10.30am: Barrie Meloy/Catherine Galloway

This Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: Shawn/Laura Morris

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Margaret Kerry/Alison Bailey

Sunday 10.30am: John Boxall/Fungai Chingwenje

Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: David Johnson/Amelia

Collection for 05th & 06th July 2025

Alfreton £386.06

Clay Cross £208.21

Standing Order £245.33.

Total Collection £839.60

Candles CTK £31.10

Repository CTK £24.60

Tea/Coffee: CC £60.00

CTK Holy Communion Tea/Coffee £10.20

Hall Hire £250.00

Many thanks for your generosity

"The first question which the priest and the Levite asked was: 'If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me?' But... the good Samaritan reversed the question: 'If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?'" Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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**

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Second Collection: This Saturday/Sunday (12th & 13th July): Stella Maris (Sea Sunday). Parishes are asked to encourage prayer and financial contributions to support the work of Stella Maris (formerly, the Apostleship of the Sea).

Baptism: We welcome Harvey Owen Spray into the parish community of Christ the King Alfreton. Best wishes to him and his family.

Winners for July Lottery Rob Farrell, Stef Gannon, Mrs E Black and Mark Boutlee. Congratulations and thank you for your support.

Parish Lunch, Monday 4th August at 1 pm. The booking lists for the July 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, 27th July 2025 or by telephoning 07436000773/01773 833174 (please leave a message if no one answers) so that we know how many people we need to cater for.

As part of our Year of Hope celebrations, we would like to honour and recognise all parishioners who will be celebrating their 90th birthday in 2025. If you or someone you know in our parish family will be reaching this special milestone, please kindly contact Mary Bentley [leomarybentley@hotmail.co.uk or 07436000773]. We would love to include them in our celebrations and give thanks for their life and witness.

A Message from the Sisters at St Clare's Convent: Following a visit from Bishop Patrick and Sister Susan, the Vicar for Religious, during which they shared parishioners concerns as to why the Sisters at St Clare's have been seen shopping but not at Sunday Mass, we wish to send a message to you all. First of all, thank you for your concern but please let us reassure you. For reasons of conscience, we decided not to take the Covid vaccine, therefore we avoided mixing in large groups. That is the reason you have not seen us at Sunday Mass. However, every Sunday, Holy Day and on some Franciscan Feast days, we have been blessed in having a priest who celebrates Mass for us here at the Convent and/or at the Portiuncula. In addition when we have a priest on retreat, we always have the privilege of having Mass during the week. On days when we do not have weekday Mass here, you have recently seen the Sisters at Mass in the local church. Many of you will be aware that it has always been our desire to have daily Mass for our retreat hermit guests at The Portiuncula. Please pray that this will become a reality as it is central not only to our vision for our Portiuncula, but also Holy Mass is central to the retreat experience of those who visit our Portiuncula. As in the past, we welcome you to our daily Eucharistic Holy Hour in the Portiuncula from 3-4pm. You are welcome to come for the whole hour or for a shorter visit within the hour, especially during these days to pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis, RIP., and also to pray for our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, the 267th Successor of St Peter.

Prayer for peace: The Peace Chaplet originated in Croatia at Our Lady of Medjugorje's request to pray for peace in the world, in our families, and in our hearts. As seven is the number of perfection in the Bible, the chaplet recites the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be prayers seven times, beginning with the Apostles' Creed. The chaplet is followed by the recitation of the whole Rosary. There are prayer postcards in the porch, please pick one up.

Pilgrimage for 2026: If you are looking to grow in your spiritual life why not consider going on a life-changing pilgrimage. The next pilgrimage proposed for 2026 is to Medjugorje. Please put your name and contact info down if you are looking for more information with no obligation. Depending on interest, arrangements will be made and cost confirmed in months to come. You can also express interest or ask questions to Anita Day - 07709445578.

With the closure of their camp at Mablethorpe, the SVP aims to offer a redesigned camp provision for young people aged 9/10 next summer. This can only happen with a team of helpers in place to ensure the camp runs safely and smoothly. You do not need to be involved with the SVP to help. An enthusiasm for working with young people and a desire to make a difference are what matter. If you are interested and would like more details, please contact your local conference or email Lance Philpott at lance.philpott59@gmail.com.

Zuzanna Uryga is kindly requested to make themselves known to either Ted Bennett at St. Patrick and St. Bridget Church, Clay Cross or Barrie Meloy at Christ the King Church at Alfreton. Alternatively please phone 07739896735. If you know Zuzanna please pass this message on to them.

If you would like to learn more about the priesthood and reflect on a possible vocation, please email vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk for the zoom link for the next discernment meeting on Wednesday 23rd July at 7.00pm.

The National Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life is being celebrated at Walsingham by Bishop John Keenan on Saturday 2nd August. The Pilgrimage can be followed on livestream at www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/ or for more details, visit www.prolifepilgrimage.org or see the poster.

A Jubilee of Hope Pilgrimage will be held at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey on Sunday 31st August, starting with Mass at 2pm, together with a family picnic, Marian Procession, and Adoration. For more details email jnoakes@englishmartyrs.org

Join the diocese for a special Young Adults' Pilgrimage to Rome between Friday 5th and Monday 8th September for the Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. The Pilgrimage is open to anyone aged 18-35, costing £475 per person based on sharing a room, with financial help available. For more information and to book a place email: vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk

On Saturday 6th September the annual UK March for Life 2025 will take place in London. Join with thousands of others from all over the UK who believe that all life is sacred, as we march through the streets of London to the Houses of Parliament. The Walk is peaceful, legal and always spiritually uplifting. There will be a coach from Nottingham, picking up from Good Shepherd Arnold and Cathedral Derby Road, costing adults £30, unwaged including students £15, under 16s £10. To book on the coach or for more information contact Marie (marieangford@live.co.uk, 07948 151264). "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."