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Twenty Ninth Sunday: Weekly Bulletin 17th & 25th October 2026

Next 30th Saturday/Sunday (24th & 25th October) Holy Mass Readings: Exo 22:21-27, 1 Thes 1:5c-10, Mt 22:34-40

Sacrament of Confession is available at any time

<u>Alfreton</u>	<u>Clay Cross</u>																		
Saturday 17th October: 6.30pm Mass: Robin Barnes RIP Sunday 18th October: 11am Mass: Jackie Mularkey RIP Monday 19th October: <u>NO MASS</u> Wednesday 21st October: 9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Norman Tebbit RIP Friday 23rd October: 9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Patrick Mackell RIP Saturday 24th October: 6.30pm Mass: Ints for Vocations Sunday 25th October: 11am Mass: Elsie Stewart Wellbeing	Sunday 18th October: 9am Mass: Leo Bentley RIP Tuesday 20th October: 9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Carol & David Spolding RIP Thursday 22nd October: The Dedication of the Church 9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Jackie Makinson Ints Sunday 25th October: 9am Mass: Parish Ints																		
<u>Sick & Housebound:</u> <i>Please pray for</i> – 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 Graczky, Maureen Fuller, Paul Fuller, Anne Loughnane, Eugene Grant, Margaret Marsh, Alice Ibbotson and Pennie Burton. <i>Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.</i>																			
<u>This Week's Readers: Alfreton</u> Saturday 6.30pm: Clare Smith/Margaret Kerry Sunday 11am: Nethumol Mathew/Tom McCallum <u>This Week's Readers: Clay Cross</u> Sunday 9am: Adrian Goodall <u>Next Week's Readers: Alfreton</u> Saturday 6.30pm: Maureen Fuller/Paul Fuller Sunday 11am: Theresa Mundandi/Catherine Galloway <u>Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross</u> Sunday 9am: Manna/Francis Cassidy	<u>October 2026 Cleaners</u> Alfreton: Maureen Walker Clay Cross: Emma Whitaker <u>Collection for 10th & 11th October 2026</u> <table> <tr> <td>Alfreton</td><td>£355.12</td></tr> <tr> <td>Clay Cross</td><td>£223.50</td></tr> <tr> <td>Standing Order</td><td>£349.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Total Collection</td><td>£927.62</td></tr> <tr> <td>Candles CTK</td><td>£37.98</td></tr> <tr> <td>CC</td><td>£28.73</td></tr> <tr> <td>Repository CTK</td><td>£4.60</td></tr> <tr> <td>CC</td><td>£79.87</td></tr> <tr> <td>Prisoner's Sunday</td><td>£275.70</td></tr> </table> <i>Many thanks for your generosity</i>	Alfreton	£355.12	Clay Cross	£223.50	Standing Order	£349.00	Total Collection	£927.62	Candles CTK	£37.98	CC	£28.73	Repository CTK	£4.60	CC	£79.87	Prisoner's Sunday	£275.70
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"Faith is not only about what we give to God, but about who we become for God." *unknown*

Second Collection: This Saturday/Sunday 17th & 18th October: World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday: World Mission Sunday reminds us that the mission of the Church belongs to everyone. We are all called to share the love of Jesus through our prayers, generosity, and daily acts of kindness. We may not be able to go everywhere, but through our faith and support, we can help bring Christ's light and hope to the whole world. Together, let us be missionary disciples, sharing God's love wherever we are.

Patrick Mackell RIP: Please pray for the soul of Patrick Mackell, who died on Saturday 12th September 2026. Patrick's Reception into Christ the King Church will take place on Thursday 29th October at 4pm, Requiem Mass Friday 30th October at 11am followed by burial at St Helen's Church, Selston at 12.30pm. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

Clay Cross Afternoon Tea on October 19th Monday: All are welcome- where you can meet one another, enjoy a chat, have a laugh, and just be together.

MISSIO BOXES - Please bring in your boxes for emptying in the month of October 2026/early November 2026. Please pick up your free copy of Mission Today magazine from the back of both churches. Your free 2027 Calendars will be left at the back of both churches (not yet received).

Christmas & Mass Cards: Please feel free to take some Christmas cards and Mass cards available in the porch. There are no prices mentioned, so please make a donation in the money box provided. If you need anything else from the shop, please let me know — I am very happy to help you.

Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 5th December 2026: A big thank you to everyone who is selling and buying our Christmas Raffle tickets! We look forward to seeing even more tickets sold. We still need volunteers to help run three stalls at the Bazaar. If you can spare some time to help, we would be very grateful. We also warmly welcome donations for our Christmas Hampers and generous prizes for the Christmas Raffle. Donation boxes are available at the back of the church. We want cakes and good toys and If you make jam, marmalade, or chutney, we'd be grateful if you could donate a few jars to the preserves stall at the Christmas Bazaar. We have plenty of jars available if you need any. Thank you for your continued generosity and support. Every little contribution helps to make our Christmas Bazaar a success! For further information or to volunteer, please contact Mary Shelton or Mary Bentley at leomarybentley@hotmail.co.uk or 07436 000773.

Catechist Formation: The Diocese of Nottingham is offering three courses about being a catechist: if you are interested in being a catechist, or are just starting out, or if you have been a Catechist for a long time, there is a course for you. All courses are on Zoom on Thursday evenings, with the first course, Encounter Catechesis, exploring four big questions about the foundations of catechesis, from Thursday 5th November. Speak to your parish priest, or email formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Saint Colette's Pregnancy Support Centre, Nottingham, our centre for supporting pregnant women and their families, marks five years since it was opened. All are welcome to join the celebration on Wednesday 9th December, with veneration of the Poor Clare Colettine's Veil of Saint Colette from 6.30pm, and Mass offered by Bishop Patrick at 7pm, in Saint Paul's church, Lenton Boulevard, Nottingham NG7 2BY. After Mass there will be refreshments and live music in the social centre. For more information contact pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Encounter England is a two-day experience of Spirit-filled worship, transformational teaching, the Eucharist, and prayer ministry, designed to awaken a desire for more of God. Taking place on Friday 11th and Saturday 12th December, at Holy Cross Church, Leicester, current Encounter students receive a discounted ticket, as do any clergy; there's also a clergy lunch on Friday before the event, and a discount available for 18–35s (message directly for details). Early bird pricing is also available for the next couple of weeks! Visit <https://encounterministries.regfox.com/uk-launch-december-11-12-2026>

Flame is the national Catholic youth gathering, run by CYMF (the Catholic Youth Ministry Federation). Every two years Catholic young people from across England and Wales fill Wembley Arena for a day of music, speakers and prayer. The Diocesan Youth Service has 400 passes for school and parish groups, with ticket-only or coach packages available. To book email bookings@ndcys.com or visit www.ndcys.com/flame/

Everyman Theology – A Weekly Blog for Everyday Faith: Are you looking to connect your Catholic faith with the realities of work, parenting, and daily life? If so, check out the weekly blog at www.everymantheology.com Written by Geoff, a Diocesan Catholic RE teacher, husband, and father of two, each weekly post offers thoughtful, relatable reflection designed for everyday men and women seeking God in the middle ground between basic introductions and heavy academic theology. Find God in the real world, the real mess, the real stresses of everyday life.

Thank you for supporting CAFOD's Family Fast Day! Your generous donations in putting your faith into action will help more children stay in school. Children like Tayla in Zimbabwe, where CAFOD's local partners worked with her community to install a solar-powered water supply. Now Tayla has access to safe water and nutritious food at school, helping her to keep learning and develop her God-given talents. To find out more about the work that your generosity at Fast Day makes possible visit: cafod.org.uk/parishthankyou

Baptism: We warmly welcome all parents who are planning to have their child baptised in our parish. As part of the preparation for this joyful celebration, we kindly ask families to attend Holy Mass regularly for at least three months and to take part in the Baptism Preparation Sessions led by Fiona Molumby. Please note that of the two Godparents, at least one must be a practising Catholic who regularly attends Holy Mass. For more information please contact Fiona Molumby at fmolumby@aol.com.

After the 9am Mass at Clay Cross and the 11am Mass at Alfreton, tea and coffee will be available in the hall. Please take this opportunity to relax, chat, catch up with old friends and make new ones. Everyone is warmly welcome.