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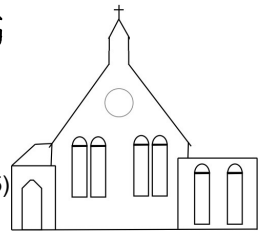

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Solemnity of Christ the King Sunday: Weekly Bulletin 21st & 29th November 2026

First Sunday of Advent: Saturday/Sunday (28th & 29th November) Holy Mass Readings: Isa 63:16b-17:64:1,3b-8, 1Cor 1;3-9, Mt 13:33-37

Sacrament of Confession is available at any time

Alfreton

Saturday 21st November: 6.30pm Mass:
Moya & John Mellors 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary

Sunday 22nd November:11am Mass: Oliver Hardiman RIP

Monday 23rd November: NO MASS

Wednesday 25th November:
9am Adoration, 9.30am: Patrick Mackell RIP

Friday 27th November:
9am Mass: Gemma O'Reilly RIP

Saturday 28th November:6.30pm Mass: Stefania Uryga RIP

Sunday 29th November:11am Mass:
Deceased members of Fletcher & Bramley families

Clay Cross

Sunday 22nd November: 9am Mass:
Richard & Emma Whitaker Ints

Tuesday 24th November: St Andrew and Companions
9.30am Adoration, 10am: H F Thanksgiving

Thursday 26th November:
9.30am Adoration,10am Mass: Sr Lucy Troy RIP

Sunday 29th November: 9am Mass
Patrick & Patricia Jennings RIP & Christopher Ugwu RIP

November 2026 Cleaners

Alfreton: Bridget W
Clay Cross: Robert & Amy

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 Graczky, Maureen Fuller, Paul Fuller, Anne Loughnane, Eugene Grant, Margaret Marsh, Isobel Hopkinson, Alice Ibbotson and Pennie Burton. ***Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.***

Collection for 14th & 15th November 2026

Alfreton	£363.66
Clay Cross	£304.80
Standing Order	£ 293.50.
Total Collection	**£961.96**
Repository CTK	£8.00
Candles CTK	£36.05
Donation	£200.00

Many thanks for your generosity

This Week's Readers: Alfreton
Saturday 6.30pm: Maureen Fuller/ Paul Fuller
Sunday 11am: Ryan Sheen Mathew/Nethumol Mathew
This Week's Readers: Clay Cross
Sunday 9am: Reena Gigi/Shawn

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton
Saturday 6.30pm: Alison Bailey/Moya Mellors
Sunday 11am: York Hampson-Lamb/Fiona Molumby
Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross
Sunday 9am: Laveena/Feo

"Sometimes, people need our respect more than our money."

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The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls: One of the most beautiful gifts you can give someone is to have a Holy Mass offered for their intentions or for the repose of their soul. You are warmly invited to request a Holy Mass for your own intentions or those of your loved ones. Envelopes for Mass intentions and the Holy Souls are available in the church porch. A Mass offered in prayer is a precious gift of faith, love and hope. May the light of Christ shine upon our beloved deceased ones and may they rest in eternal peace. Amen.

Parish Christmas Lunch – Save the Date! Our Parish Christmas Lunch will take place on Monday 14th December. Please keep the date free in your diary! It will be a lovely opportunity to enjoy good food, catch up with old friends, meet some new faces and, of course, have plenty of chat and laughter. We look forward to seeing you all. Everyone is welcome!

The Centenary Planning group meet again on Tuesday 24th November at 6.30pm in the Hall. All are welcome. Remember that the Centenary of the foundation stone is 16th February 1927.

Advent Reflection – Walk With Me: Our "Walk With Me" Advent booklets are now available in the church porch. Please feel free to take a copy and spend a few quiet moments each day reading and reflecting during this special season of Advent. Let us use this opportunity to walk a little closer to Jesus as we prepare our hearts for Christmas. A small donation towards the cost of the booklet would be very much appreciated. Thank you, and may God bless you all this Advent!

Costa Carols in Alfreton: Join other Christians in Alfreton on Wednesday 2nd December at 6pm for 6.30pm for an enjoyable celebration of the Christmas story in Costa Coffee, High Street Alfreton.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR on Saturday 5th December 2026 – WE NEED YOUR HELP! 🎄 Our Christmas Bazaar is coming soon, and we want to make it a wonderful and memorable occasion! To make it a success, sell and buy our Christmas Raffle tickets and we need a few more volunteers and your generous donations. 🙋 Volunteers needed: Gift Stall: 2 people, Tombola Stall: 3 people, Booze Raffle: 1 person, 🎁 Donations needed for raffle prizes and stalls: Brandy, whisky, gin, sherry and port, Christmas cakes and Christmas puddings, Christmas crackers, Boxes of biscuits and chocolates, Bottles for the Bottle Stall. 🙏 Please be generous with your donations, cakes and other contributions. Every little bit helps, and together we can make our Christmas Bazaar 2026 a truly memorable and joyful celebration! A big thank you for your kindness, generosity and support and let's make this Christmas Bazaar a great success! For further information or to volunteer, please contact Mary Shelton (01246863099) or Mary Bentley (07436 000773). or leomarybentley@hotmail.co.uk

Christmas Carol: Our parish choir warmly invites everyone to join us for a joyful Christmas Carol Evening on Friday 18th December. Come along, enjoy singing some favourite Christmas carols and share in the festive spirit. Afterwards we will kindly provide some drinks and snacks in the parish hall. Everyone is very welcome!

The parishes of Our Lady of Lourdes, Mickleover, and Saint Joseph, Burton Road, are seeking to appoint a part-time (20 hours per week), permanent Parish Administrator to support the day-to-day running of the two parishes, two churches and two social centres. The candidate will provide confidential administrative support to the parish priest and parish communities, including managing bookings and premises access, and attending meetings to take notes and prepare minutes. To request an application form, which should be returned by Tuesday 24th November, email office@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Children's Christmas Eve Mass and Christmas Party – Alfreton: Christmas is a special time for our children! 🎄 If anyone would be willing to help organise the Christmas Eve Mass for children and the children's Christmas party at Alfreton, please let Fr Paul know as soon as possible.

Centenary Celebration 2027: As we prepare to celebrate the centenary of our parish in 2027, we give thanks to God for the rich diversity of nationalities within our parish communities. It is a blessing to see people from different countries, cultures and backgrounds living their faith and working together in unity and harmony. To mark this special occasion, we invite parishioners to arrange a flag representing their country of origin. Please ensure that each flag measures 90 inches in length and 60 inches in width, with the name of the country clearly written on it, so that everyone can identify the flag. Please speak with fellow parishioners from your country and arrange the flag together, bringing it to the parish by the end of March 2027. As we have two separate parish communities, Alfreton and Clay Cross, we kindly ask each community to organise its own flags separately. Let us make our centenary a joyful celebration of our faith, our different cultures and our unity as one family in Christ. Thank you for your cooperation and generous support.

MISSIO BOXES - Thank you to all who have brought in their boxes for emptying and for all your generous donations. Please collect your emptied boxes from the back of church. Please pick up a copy of your free "Thank You" Calendar for 2027, which again you will find at the back of church. Should there be any more boxes still to be brought in, please bring them to church as soon as you can, so that the amounts received can be included in this year's total for the Parish. Annual Return due by end of December 2026. Thank you."

All are warmly invited to celebrate the beautiful feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the unborn. All are warmly invited to celebrate the beautiful feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the unborn, on Saturday 12th December at Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham NG1 5AE. For more information, contact pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Christ the King – Patron of Our Parish in Alfreton: Christ the King reminds us that His kingdom is not built on power, wealth or authority, but on love, mercy and service. He does not ask us simply to worship Him as King, but to allow Him to rule our hearts and guide our lives. The real question is not whether Christ is our King, but whether we are truly living as people of His Kingdom.

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.*