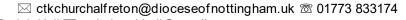
THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING, ALFRETON & St. PATRICK AND St. BRIDGET, CLAY CROSS

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Twenty Fifth Sunday: Weekly Bulletin 20th - 28th September 2025 CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

<u>Alfreton</u>

Saturday 20th September: 6.30pm Mass: John Egan RIP

Sunday 21st September: 10.30am Mass: Legion of Mary Ints

Monday 22nd September: No Mass

Wednesday 24th September: Our Lady of Walsingham

9am Adoration, 9.30 Mass: Holy Souls

Friday 26th September:

9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: 90th Birthday Candidates Ints

Saturday 27th September: 6.30pm Mass:

Sunday 28th September:10.30am Mass:

Sick & Housebound:

Please pray for – Shirley Oakes, lan 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, Isobel Hopkins, Diana Davey, Eugene Grant, Patrick Mackell and Pennie Burton. **Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.**

This Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Alison Bailey/Moya Mellors Sunday 10.30am: Barrie Meloy/Fiona Molumby

This Week's Readers: Clay Cross Sunday 9am: Rob Farrell/Amelia

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Margaret Kerry/Clare Smith Sunday 10.30am: Tom McCallum/Natasha Erskine

Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross Sunday 9am: Shawn/Laura Morris

Clay Cross

Sunday 21st September: 9am Mass: Simon Galt RIP

Tuesday 23rd September: St Pius of Pietrelcina 9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Jenny Molloy RIP

Thursday 25th September:

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Holy Souls

Sunday 28th September: 9am Mass:

Paul Brayshaw RIP

September 2025 Cleaners

Alfreton: Bridget W

Clay Cross: Mary Bentley/Mary Shelton

Collection for 13th & 14th September 2025

Alfreton	£279.33
Clay Cross	£278.45
Standing Order	£280.00

Total Collection £837.78

Repository	£15.20
Candles ČTK	£25.91
Pensioners lunch	£151.08
Knit &Natter	£3.00
Second Collection: Catholic Education	£197.24

Many thanks for your generosity

"Being honest may not get you a lot of friends but it'll always get you the right ones." John Lennon

Second Collection: This Saturday/Sunday (20th & 21st September): **Evangelii Gaudium Day**. Evangelii Gaudium Sunday calls us to be joyous in proclaiming our faith. "Evangelii Gaudium" is Latin for "Joy of the Gospel". It is a Sunday more commonly known as Home Mission Sunday, a day for us as the Catholic community in England and Wales to celebrate the beauty of our faith, and our shared commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ. More details about this can be found on the Bishops' Conference web site - www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii-gaudium-sunday.

Parish Lunch, Monday 6th October 2025 at 1pm. The booking lists for the October Pensioners Lunch are now located 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 S unday, 28th September 2025 or by telephoning 07739896735 by Wednesday, 1st October 2025 (please leave a message if no one answers) so that we know how many people we need to cater for.

A Mass to celebrate CAFOD's Harvest Family Fast Day is being celebrated in Christ the King Church, Alfreton, on Friday 3rd October at 6.30pm. All are welcome.

Polish Cultural Evening – Saturday 4th October, 7.30pm (after 6.30pm Mass). Everyone is warmly invited to the Parish Polish Cultural Evening in the Parish Hall. Come and enjoy a lively night of Polish food, music and dancing, with a DJ and possibly a children's dance performance too. Entry is free, and food and drinks will be available from the kitchen and licensed bar. If you would like to help with setting up, decorating or assisting on the night, volunteers would be very welcome - please speak to Ewa or Rob.

Wieczór Kultury Polskiej – sobota, 4 października, godz. 19:30 (po Mszy Świętej o godz. 18:30). Serdecznie zapraszamy na Parafialny Wieczór Kultury Polskiej w sali parafialnej. Będzie to radosny wieczór z polskim jedzeniem, muzyką i tańcami, z DJ-em oraz możliwym występem tanecznym dzieci. Wstęp wolny — jedzenie i napoje będą dostępne w kuchni oraz w licencjonowanym barze. Jeśli ktoś chciałby pomóc przy przygotowaniach, dekoracjach lub w trakcie samej imprezy, będzie nam bardzo miło - prosimy o kontakt z Ewą lub Rob.

All Altar Servers are invited to the Diocesan Jubilee of Altar Servers, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick in our Cathedral in Nottingham (Derby Road, NG1 5AE) on Saturday 27th September. Bring your alb / cassock and cotta, and arrive for 10.30am onwards, for Mass at 11.30am. Bring a packed lunch too, and enjoy a picnic in the Cathedral Hall and gardens. All are welcome!

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest: Please donate to CAFOD's Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "s igns of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAF OD to 70560 to donate £10 to make an offering.

Bible Study Group at Clay Cross (Thanet House) - Join us in studying the weekly Sunday readings to get a deeper understanding using our bibles. The group will use the St. Paul Center's Word of the Lord by Dr. John Bergsma and Breaking the Bread by Dr. Scott Hahn and Dr. Ken Ogerek to guide our discussion. Bring your bible, a notebook, and a desire to share your thoughts on the we ekly Sunday readings. All are welcome including non-parishioners and if you do not have a bible, this is OK, we will bring extras to use during our study and discussion. Questions? Contact Laura Morris LAURAQS@ME.COM or on WhatsApp 07747 837476. Meeting day/time is still up for discussion but for now our first meeting will take place on Saturday at 12 pm 04/10/2025.

Are you involved in youth ministry in your parish, whether through altar serving, children's liturgy or as a catechist; or are you keen to start something in your parish? In school as a teacher, lay chaplain or school governor? Or are you a parent or carer keen to find out more about the opportunities available for young people in the Diocese of Nottingham? The Diocesan Youth Service (NDCYS) is hosting an online information evening on Tuesday 23rd September 7.00pm – 8.00pm where you can find out about the opportunities available for young people, meet others involved in youth ministry and share ideas. To register, visit ndcys.com/youth-ministry-networking/

In honour of the recent canonisation of Carlo Acutis and in recognition of his dedication to evangelising through digital media, the Diocesan Youth Service is pleased to offer a distinguished opportunity for a creative and motivated individual to join our team as a Volunteer Marketing Intern, as part of the inaugural Carlo Acutis Internship Program. Please encourage interested parties to read the job description and email marketing@saintsmeadow.com to apply.

Marriage Care is looking to appoint an Appointments Service Administrator (8 hours or more per week) and a Counselling Training Administrator (28 hours per week) in the Nottingham area. More information can be found at www.marriagecare.org.uk

Bible Timeline Course from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, with this Free of Charge, world-renowned course presented online by Mauro lannicelli. Starting on Wednesday 1st October at 7.00pm (x8 Wednesday evening sessions). For information and to register, visit www.comeandsee.org

Day of Healing – You are invited to join Bishop Patrick for a day of Freedom and Inner Healing led by 'Unbound UK'. The day will be held at Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham on Saturday 25th October. There will be talks on freedom and healing, Mass with the Anointing of the Sick, Confession and Intercessory Prayer, and an Evening Healing Service with music from One Hope Project. You can come from the full day or for any of the sessions. It is open to all ages at no cost, but donations are welcome. More information: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events or email formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Mary's Mantle Consecration: are you interested in doing a 46-day retreat involving a daily rosary and guided reflection (sent on email), a little fasting, and a weekly online zoom meeting with our group (optional, recording available to watch later). The idea is to focus on prayer and meditate on various virtues whilst allowing the Holy Spirit to transform us through Our Mother Mary's intercession. Why 46 days? This number represents the 46 stars on Our Lady of Guadeloupe's Mantle (cloak) from the supernatural image. Starting August 23rd and ending on the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th. For more info or to sign up please contact Anita Day - starfly83@hotmail.com.