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02nd Sunday of Ordinary Time: Weekly Bulletin 13th – 21st January 2024 CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 13th January: 6.30pm Mass: Sean McGing RIP

Sunday 14th January: 10.30am Mass: Anne&Norman Leah RIP

Monday 15th January: No Mass

Wednesday 17th January:

8.30 am Adoration, 9 am Mass: Annamma RIP

Friday 19th January:

9 am Adoration, 9.30am: Eucharistic Service

Saturday 20th January: 6.30pm Mass:

Sunday 21st January:10.30am Mass:

Clay Cross

Sunday 14th January: 9.00am Mass: Mary Cassidy RIP

Tuesday 16th January:

9.30 Adoration, 10am Mass: Mary Hickey RIP (Knock

Ireland)

Thursday 18th January:

9.30am Adoration 10am: Eucharistic Service

Sunday 21st January: 9am Mass:

January 2024 Cleaners

Alfreton: Bridget W

Clay Cross: Maggie Smith

Sick & Housebound

Please pray for – Sara Lane, Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, Betty Deane, 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 Diane Davey. **Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.**

This Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Maureen Fuller/Cecilia Fletcher Sunday 10.30am: Natasha Erskine/John Boxall

This Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am Laveena/Feo

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Jacob s /

Sunday 10.30am: Catherine Galloway/Barrie Meloy

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Sunday 9am:

Collection for 06th & 07th January 2024

Total Collection	£779.25
Standing Order	£243.75
Clay Cross	£218.97
Alfreton	£316.53

Candles £36.21 Hall Hire £425.00

Many thanks for your generosity

"The practice of forgiveness is our most important contribution to the healing of the world" Marianne Williamson

Second Collection Today all Holy Masses: Sick and Retired Priests: Saturday/Sunday (13th / 14th January)

Lottery winners for January are: Mary Bentley, Ted Bennett, Steph Gannon, A Molloy and Howard Booth

This Sunday (14th January) we celebrate Peace Sunday: The theme chosen by Pope Francis for the World Day of Peace: 'Artificial Intelligence and Peace'. We have produced a number of resources to support churches who would like to do that, including resources for children. A copy of the Liturgy Booklet we have prepared is attached and you can find our other resources on the Peace Sunday page of our website here: https://paxchristi.org.uk/peace-sunday/

Parish Lunch, Monday 5th February 2024 at 1 pm. Please put your name on the list at the back of Church by Sunday 28th January 2024 if you would like to attend the next Parish Lunch for Pensioners (60 and over). This will help us with catering. Look forward to seeing you there.

Warm Welcome Space will be moving from Friday to Tuesday as of Tuesday 23rd January 2024. This is great news and we hope that it will mean more of you will be able to take advantage of this parish and local community initiative which will be open every Tuesday from 10.00 am. until 3.00 pm. We also still need volunteers to help run Warm Welcome Space either as supervisors or supporting staff. If you can help, even if it only for an hour or two, please sign up on the lists at the back of Christ the King Church. Many thanks.

Parish Pensioners Lunch Club needs volunteers to take charge of the running of the lunch from time to time. This involves planning the menu, the buying and managing the kitchen on the day of the lunch. If you are interested in taking on this role from time to time, please speak to Barrie who will be happy to give your further details of what it involves. There is also a list at the back of the Church where you can see which months need covering add your name and phone number against the month that you can commit to. Many thanks

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Second Sunday of the Year: Prayer is dialogue with God; and every creature, in a certain sense, "dialogues" with God. Within the human being, prayer becomes word, invocation, hymn, poetry... The divine Word is made flesh, and in each person's flesh the word returns to God in prayer. To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

The Church relies on people getting involved. Our parish, our community, our world needs you. Could your New Year's resolution be getting more involved in the life of our Church? Which aspects of Church brings you life or joy? Could you give a bit of time to help those parts flourish? CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, is looking for people to give some time and join in its mission. Could you help in your parish, inspiring our Church to help build a better world or by visiting our local schools? Maybe you could raise a voice and campaign for justice, or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the area? Could you support local volunteers or share your admin or people skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Roles are flexible to meet your availability, and full training and support are provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or get in touch with Will, the local CAFOD worker, on wcruddace@cafod.org.uk or 07710 094455. Or could you take part in The Big Lent Walk? cafod.org.uk/walk

Homes for Ukraine Gathering on Friday 2nd February, 2.30-4.00pm at the Frassati Centre, Holy Cross, Leicester LE1 6HW. Nearly two years on from the full-scale invasion of Ukraine, the need for refuge in the UK is still high. Join this afternoon hosted by Caritas Social Action Network and Saint John of God Hospitaller Services, where you can find out about the current situation, eligibility for sponsoring refugees, and key considerations for hosting. Visit bit.ly/ukraine2feb for more details

Do Justice: For Parishes is an opportunity, ideal for Lent, to take up Pope Francis' invitation to become "a more synodal and missionary Church, a Church that adores God and serves the women and men of our time, going forth to bring everyone the consoling joy of the Gospel". Published by Caritas Social Action Network, it comprises three sessions with suggested follow-up, either as a 'top up' or review of mission for existing parish groups, or perhaps to set the ball rolling on work for social justice. To find out more about running Do Justice locally visit bit.ly/dojusticenottingham

Can you solve a Mission Box Mystery? - on or before Sunday 10th December 2023 did you bring or send in to church your full APF Mill Hill Missionaries box but have not had it returned to you? If so, please be aware the label stuck on the base of your box has faded over time and is no longer legible, so we cannot identify you. If you think the box could be your's, please let your collector Bernadette know, or give your phone number to Fr Paul to pass on to her, so she can contact you to establish your details, check your Gift Aid status and arrange to return your box to you. Please do this as soon as possible, as the annual return is due shortly - thank you.

New Readers for Clay Cross: Additional readers are encouraged to join the 2024 Readers Rota for the Sunday morning Mass at Clay Cross. To be included in the Rota, please kindly approach Sheila or Rob after Mass.

The gift of a few hours a year: We're seeking dedicated cleaners to join our volunteer team. Every hand makes a difference. Please see Shiela or Rob after Mass to hear how giving just a few hours per year can help preserve the beauty of our Clay Cross Church.

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