

THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING ALFRETON &
SS PATRICK AND BRIDGET CLAY CROSS

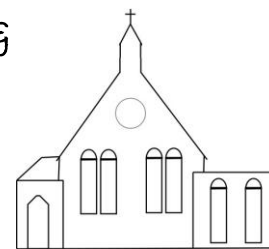
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1st Sunday of Advent 2022

Weekly Bulletin 26th November – 4th December 2022

CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 26th November: 6.30pm Mass:
Holy Souls

Sunday 27th November: 10.30am Mass:
Parish Intentions

Monday 28th November: No Mass

Wednesday 30th November: Feast of St Andrew
9am Adoration, 09:30am Mass: Alex Mullarky RIP

Friday 2nd December: Jill Murphy RIP
9am Adoration, 09:30am Mass

Next weekend's Masses

Saturday 3rd December: 6.30pm: Mass
Ted & Margaret Hemsley RIP

Sunday 4th December: 10.30am Mass
Parish Intentions

Clay Cross:

Sunday 27th November: 9am Mass:
Tony Davey Well being

Tuesday 29th November: Andrew Langen RIP
09:30am Adoration, 10:00 am

Thursday 1st December: Anthony Soames Well being
09:30am Adoration, 10:00 am Mass:

Next weekend's Mass

Sunday 4th December: 9am Mass: Holy Souls

December Cleaners

Alfreton: O'Donnell Family
Clay Cross: Ina Byrne & Terry Mortimer

Sick & Housebound

Please pray for – Sara Lane, Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, Betty Deane, Mary Pfeffer, Hazel Titon, Martin Mullally, Leah Philbin, Elsie Stewart, Brian Bradford, Peter Egan. Ted Bennett, Jim Johnson, Rob Lane, John Oliver, Karen Parker, Bridie Joyce and Tony & Diane Davey

Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers

Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm - Eugene Grant

Sunday 10.30am - Francis O'Brien

Clay Cross: Sunday 9am Alicia Johnson

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm – Kate B

Sunday 10.30am – John Boxhall

Clay Cross: Sunday 9am Fran Hill

Collection for 19th – 20th Nov 2022

Alfreton
Envelopes £114:00
Loose Plate £243:58
Total £357:58

Clay Cross
Envelopes £87:45
Loose Plate £80:30
Total £167:75

Grand Total £525.33

Repository £42:37, Candles £30:71, Hall Hire £250:00
Standing Orders £203.00,

Many thanks for your generosity

“Into this world, this demented inn in which there is absolutely no room for him at all, Christ comes uninvited” Thomas Merton

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2022: Our Christmas bazaar event is fast approaching for the 3rd Dec 2022 from 12 noon to 2.30pm. There will be lots to enjoy so come and support this church event with: Bottles Tombola, Teddy Bear Stall, Claire's Jams & Chutneys, Santa's Grotto done by Christ the King School, 2nd hand Toys & Books Stall, Vintage Stall, SVP's Teas, Coffees & Bacon Butties, CTK's Religious Christmas cards and other items, Old Fashion Xmas Cake & home baked cakes, Crafts & Jewellery, Knit & Knatter Stall. Raffle prizes: Hamper Basket, Whiskey, Brandy, Wine, Home Baked Christmas Cakes, Chocolates, Biscuits and handmade quilt and more. The bar will sell wines, beers, soft drinks and Irish Coffees.

CTK CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: We need volunteers to decorate the church inside and some strong people for the outside who are not scared of heights, please get in touch with Manu on 07588719588 (CTK Church) and Bosko 07828138082 (Clay Cross Church).

CTK Warm Space: As the cold weather is upon us and fuel bills start to rise, we have decided to make the Parish Centre available to the community as a Warm Space where people can come to keep warm. Refreshments will be available throughout the day along with biscuits and snacks. We would also like to make games available, so if you have any spare packs of cards, dominoes, or board games that you could let us have that would be great. We plan to run The Warm Space every Tuesday from 9.00 pm until 4.00 pm. Our SVP conference are happy to support this project and coordinate it, but we will also need your help. We need volunteers willing to spend a few hours 'staffing' the centre. If you are willing to do this, maybe for a couple of hours every few weeks or even half a day or a full day from time to time, please speak to Dagoberto or Maria Rojas, Alison Bailey, Catherine Galloway, Barrie or Clare Meloy or Sheila Hall for more information. There will also be a Time sheet at the back of the Church covering a 2-week period where you can sign up for specific time slots. We are planning to have the first Warm Space on Tuesday 29th November 2022 subject to support.

Seniors' Christmas Dinner and Party Friday 16th December 2022 at 1.00 pm: Please put your name on the list at the back of Church by Sunday 11th December 2022 if you would like to attend the Parish Christmas Dinner and Party. This is essential so that we can make sure that we cater for the correct number of people. Join us for a fantastic Christmas get together and feast with carols from the children of CTK School and our very own resident MC, comedian, and crooner extraordinaire, Gerry Molumby. Not to mention the Just Three Musketeers! Sing-along, Bingo and Dancing! Looking forward to seeing you there.

Gala Concert: Following a very successful Gala Concert at Christ the King Parish Hall, Alfreton, on Saturday November 5th, we are delighted to announce the purchase of 22 school desks for St. Monica Parish School. Desks to seat 2 pupils each. I was delighted and humbled to receive many donations from people as well as a donation from Saint Benedict CVA Derby from car parking for the Darley Park Concert back in August, so we have transferred £1,300 to Fr. Edmond at St. Monica Parish Malawi. Having established a connection now with a parish and school so far away, we hope to make this an annual fundraiser for the over 250 schools in the diocese of Mzuzu. We will also continue to send school stationery already collected to the parish school. As you may know the concert was filmed for Irish in UK tv and they broadcast on Sky tv Channel 186 every Thursday from 7.30 You can watch back the broadcasts live on Sky 186 on Thursday Nov 24th and afterwards on their website via you tube : on Irish In the UK » Episodes (theirishintheuktv.com).

Warmer Welcome Workshop: Monday 28th November via Zoom at 7.00pm. This winter Caritas will be hosting a series of online get-togethers for anyone offering, or planning to offer, parish-based hospitality and outreach in the cost-of-living crisis. The gatherings will be an informal opportunity to exchange ideas and good practice from across the diocese, and ask for advice from peers and from diocesan staff. The first session takes place this Monday at 7.00pm, and the next on 10 January at 4.00pm. Book at bit.ly/WarmerWelcome

From Natasha Erskine: "Must praise Martin Wright's glorious sanctuary wall paintings as another artist's gift to the church - adding to Sr Anthony's and Paul's stained glass window. The paintings feed light and joy into our church and the serene peacefulness of the angels is quite lovely. The pictures have a unifying "gesture of care" theme. It is easy to feel we are all in the trusting arms of our loving and compassionate Maker. Thank you Martin. Your generosity and giftedness are much appreciated."

New Pictures on the sanctuary wall: "People have asked about the details of the new picture, these are - the image of God the Father is based on a painting that Father Paul provided together with images from the Sistine Chapel. The seven infant angels represent all children, firstly from coming from all areas of the world, then by having the seven colours of the rainbow in their wings, and then by their heads being placed where the seven musical notes, A to G, would be if they were written on music paper. The constellations are, Pisces on the left, (the fish the traditional symbol of Christ), and Virgo on the right, to represent Mary. As the last chapter of Isaiah likens God to a mother, the hands were posed by Natasha who gave them just the right gesture of welcome as well as indicating the Crucifix below." Martin.

Nottingham Cathedral's Carols by Candlelight will be celebrated on Saturday 10th December at 4.00pm, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Derby Road, Nottingham NG1 5AW. All are very welcome.

A Journey of Prayer for Advent 2022: WALK WITH ME booklets are available in the porch. Please take one and reflect