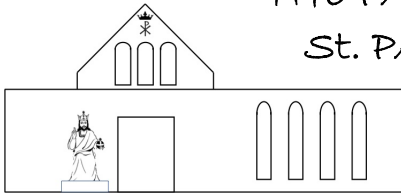


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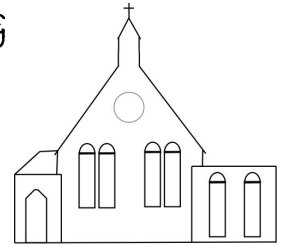
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2nd Sunday Ordinary Time: Weekly Bulletin 18th – 26th January 2025
CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 18th January: 6.30pm Mass

Sean McGing RIP

Sunday 19th January: 10.30am Mass:

Anne & Norman Leah RIP

Monday 20th January: **No Mass**

Wednesday 22nd January:

9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Devasia Joseph RIP

Friday 24th January: St Francis de Sales

9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Frances Hughes RIP

Saturday 25th January: 6.30pm Mass:

Ted Arrowsmith RIP

Sunday 26th January: 10.30am Mass:

Barrie Meloy Wellbeing & Elsie Stewart Ints

Clay Cross

Sunday 19th January: 9am Mass:

Mary Cassidy & Elizabeth Henstock RIP

Tuesday 21st January: St Agnes

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Private Ints

Thursday 23rd January:

9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: James & Margaret Dunleavy RIP

Sunday 26th January: 9am Mass:

January 2025 Cleaners

Alfreton: Bridget W

Clay Cross: Maggie Smith

Sick & Housebound

Please pray for – Sara Lane, Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, Mary Pfeffer, Hazel Titon, Martin Mullally, Elsie Stewart, Brian Bradford, Peter Egan. Ted Bennett, Jim Johnson, Rob Lane, John Oliver, Karen Parker, Bridie Joyce, Mick Mullarkey, Kath McGrath, Mark McCallum, Roseanne Coyne and Pennie Burton. **Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.**

This Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Moya Mellors/Ryan Hudson

Sunday 10.30am: Catherine Galloway/Tom McCallum

This Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: Nicole Grey/ Francis Cassidy

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm: Veronica Grant/Clare Smith

Sunday 10.30am: Lilianna/Barrie Meloy

Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross

Sunday 9am: Laveena/Feo

Collection for 11th & 12th January 2025

Alfreton	£309.62
Clay Cross	£221.00
Standing Order	£243.75

Total Collection **£774.37**

Repository	£21.40
Candles: CTK	£32.25
Tea/Coffee: CC	£60.00
Hall hire	£350.00
Second Collection: Sick & Retired priests:	£210.55

Many thanks for your generosity

“The true miracle is not walking on water or walking in air, but simply walking on this earth.” *Nhat Hanh*

Christ the King Alfreton & SS Patrick & Brigid church Clay Cross:

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Can you help at Warm Welcome Space on Tuesday, January 21st, 2024? One or two Volunteers are needed to help serve at Warm Welcome Space on Tuesday, especially between 10:30 am and 2 pm. If you can help, please add your name to the rota at the back of the Church. Many thanks.

Bishop Patrick invites representatives from every parish on Saturday 25th January to a day exploring how we can share our faith simply. It will be held at Holy Trinity parish, Newark, between 10.00am and 3.30pm, and lead by Deacon David Palmer (Birmingham Archdiocese) together with the Catholic Evangelisation Services. More details will be sent out soon.

School admissions to Catholic Primary Academies (Reception class) - children born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021. The deadline for submitting applications for a school place is 15th January 2025. Application forms are available on 'home' Local Authority websites.

Parish Lunch, Monday 3rd February 2025 at 1pm. The booking lists for the February Pensioners Lunch are now at the back of both churches. If you would like to attend this lunch, it is very important that you book your place by Sunday, 26th January 2025, so that we know how many people we need to cater for.

Appeal for New Readers [Clay Cross] We're refreshing the rota for readers at the Sunday morning Mass in Clay Cross and warmly invite new volunteers to join this important ministry. All current readers will remain on the rota unless they request otherwise, but we're keen to welcome fresh voices to proclaim God's Word. If you're interested in joining the team, please speak to Rob after Mass. Thank you to all our readers for your dedication and service!

Musical Instrument: Did you get a musical instrument for Christmas? Or do you want to learn to play one? We are holding a practice day with our guitarist Martin on Saturday 24th January from 2-3pm at CTK church. Depending on interest future sessions to be planned. Hope to see you there!

The Rosary in a Year Podcast: In Ascension's Rosary in a Year podcast, Fr. Mark-Mary Ames, CFR, guides listeners in a step-by-step journey that will change the way you pray – no matter where you are in your spiritual life. By starting small and adding on over time, listeners will find themselves falling more in love with this powerful Marian devotion, becoming a source of grace for the whole world.

The Adult Formation team has organised a Young Adult (18-35) Retreat Day from 3.00pm on Saturday 25th January at Holy Trinity Church, Newark. The day comprises Mass, spiritual input, a light supper, and social time. To book your place (including dietary requirements) visit: <https://buy.stripe.com/7s17t6aJYbCugve14b> or donate on arrival. For further details contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

February 2nd is the traditionally the day when we pray for those living the Consecrated Life. If you would like to explore what Consecrated Life means, you are invited to join the Sisters in Matlock for a cup of tea and informal chat on Sunday 2nd February between 2.30pm and 4.30pm, at the Presentation Convent, Matlock, DE4 3FT. Just turn up.

Bishop Patrick warmly invites all married couples to Saint Barnabas Cathedral (NG1 5AE) on Sunday 16th February when we will celebrate Mass at 3.00pm to mark the Jubilee of Marriages. The Bishop will lead a Renewal of Vows during the Mass, impart a special Jubilee Blessing, and afterwards host a Reception in Cathedral Hall. All married couples (and their families) are very welcome to attend, especially those recently married, and those celebrating significant anniversaries this Jubilee year.

Assisted Suicide Legislation – what happens next? Bishop John Sherrington writes regarding an update on the assisted suicide legislation, known as the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill, that the next stage is evidence-gathering by the committee examining the Bill, and Bishop John will submit written evidence to that. This committee will examine the Bill in detail, after which it will then return to the floor of the House of Commons for a further substantive vote. This vote will probably take place in late April or early May. The Bill could be defeated in that important division. Individuals and interested organisations can submit written evidence to the committee, and further details can be found at www.parliament.uk/business/news/2025/january/terminally-ill-adults-end-of-life-bill-call-for-evidence/

An exciting opportunity has arisen at All Saints, West Nottingham parish for a part-time parish administrator, working 10 hours per week (Mondays and Fridays). For more details see the poster; the closing date for applications is Friday 31st January.

Everyday Evangelising – Explore sharing your faith Join Bishop Patrick on Saturday 25th January (10.00am-3:30pm) at Holy Trinity Parish, Newark, for a day focused on how we can share our faith in simple ways every day! The day will be led by Deacon David Palmer (Birmingham Archdiocese) who will help us develop ways to live our baptismal calling to be Jesus' ambassadors in the world. There is no cost to the day but please bring a packed lunch. Book your place here: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/every-day-evangelising

Men's Spiritual Exercises, Monday 31st March – Saturday 5th April: A 5-day version of the Ignatian Exercises offered specifically for men (whether lay or ordained), this retreat will be preached at the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire, by the Benedictine Monks of Saint Joseph's Abbey, France. Founded in 1988, this community has retained its charism of a specific apostolate to men. One-to-one direction will be offered alongside the talks. For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-spiritual-exercises/>