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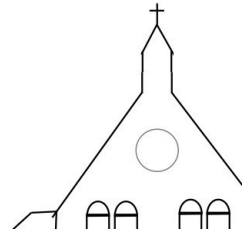
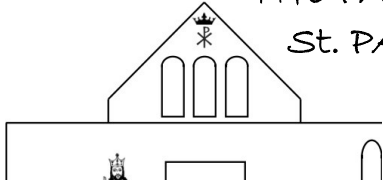
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**Christmastide: Weekly Bulletin 11<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025**  
**CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST**

<u>Alfreton</u>	<u>Clay Cross</u>														
<p><b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 6.30pm Mass: Molly &amp; Peter Egan RIP</p> <p><b>The Baptism of the Lord Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 10.30am Mass Rae Morton's Wellbeing</p> <p><b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January:</b> <u>No Mass</u></p> <p><b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 9am Adoration, 9.30am Eucharistic Service</p> <p><b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 9am Adoration, <u>9.30am Mass</u></p> <p><b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 6.30pm Mass: Sean McGing RIP</p> <p><b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 10.30am Mass: Anne &amp; Norman Leah RIP</p>	<p><b>The Baptism of the Lord Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 9am Mass: Mary &amp; Norman Graham RIP</p> <p><b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 9.30am Adoration, 10am Eucharistic Service</p> <p><b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 9.30am Adoration, 10am Eucharistic Service</p> <p><b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January:</b> 9am Mass: Mary Cassidy &amp; Elizabeth Henstock RIP</p>														
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<p><b><u>Sick &amp; Housebound</u></b></p> <p><i>Please pray for</i> – 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. <i>Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.</i></p> <p><b><u>This Week's Readers: Alfreton</u></b> Saturday 6.30pm: Peter Babe/Margaret Kerry Sunday 10.30am: Natasha Erskine/Lilianna</p> <p><b><u>This Week's Readers: Clay Cross</u></b> Sunday 9am: David Johnson/Juval</p> <p><b><u>Next Week's Readers: Alfreton</u></b> Saturday 6.30pm: Moya Mellors/Ryan Hudson Sunday 10.30am: Catherine Galloway/Tom McCallum</p> <p><b><u>Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross</u></b> Sunday 9am: Nicole Grey/ Francis Cassidy</p>															

**“No one can begin a new life, unless he repent of the old.”**

*Saint Augustine*

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## **Second Collection: Saturday/Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> January 2025: Sick and Retired Priests**

**Christmas Raffle tickets prizes:** Some Christmas Raffle ticket prizes are still awaiting collection. Please check your names on the notice board and collect your prizes as soon as possible. Thank you

**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!

**Warm Space:** Can you help at Warm Welcome Space on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January? Two or three Volunteers are needed to help serve at Warm Welcome Space on Tuesday, especially between 10.30 am and 2.00 pm. If you can help please add your name to the rota at the back of Church.

**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 24<sup>th</sup> January from 2-3pm at CTK church. Depending on interest future sessions to be planned. Hope to see you there!

**Confirmation 2025:** A reminder that sessions begin at the Church Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 5.30pm

**First Holy Communion enrolment Mass 2025:** Next Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January at Christ the King Church Alfreton at 10.30am Holy Mass.

**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.

**Everyday Evangelising – Explore sharing your faith Join Bishop Patrick on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/every-day-evangelising)

**The Diocese is offering a course to help people grow in their prayer life this spring.** The course, Prayer and Life Workshops, will help individuals learn and practise a variety of ways of praying, bringing each person closer to Christ, finding healing, becoming more familiar with the Word of God, and helping live faith through the challenges of life. The course begins with a taster session on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January with the first weekly session taking place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. All sessions will be at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Derby, DE3 9GE, between 7.00pm and 9.00pm.

**On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January, any young adults (18-35)** are warmly invited to join Joel's Bar for a Day Retreat at Holy Trinity Church, Newark. The day starts at 3.00pm with Mass, followed by a time of worship, supper, a talk and ending in worship. To buy a ticket for just £10, visit: <https://linktr.ee/yaminthedon>

**Young Adult Formation Course:** If you would like to deepen your faith, grow in community with other 18-35 years olds as well as engage more fully in your parish then the brand-new Young Adult Formation Course run by the Diocese of Nottingham is the course for you. For more information contact [charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk) or sign up at: <https://forms.office.com/e/9qvH5SJRHh>

**You Can Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped because it only makes it worse? Retrouvaille has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about the next programme which will be presented on Zoom, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March please email: [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk), telephone 07887 296983, or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

**The Diocesan Youth Service is looking to appoint a Business Manager** to provide managerial oversight and hands on control of all aspects of financial management and reporting, people management and other resources such as the facilities in Derbyshire. The role is for 37.5 hours per week, with a salary in the range £38k-£42k. The deadline for applications is Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January, and more details can be found on the poster, or at: [www.ndcys.com/job-vacancies/](http://www.ndcys.com/job-vacancies/)

**Join CAFOD online on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2025 from 10.30am until 12.00 noon** for Get Jubilee Ready, a general introduction to the Jubilee Year with some special guests. Hear what Jubilee years are all about, how we're celebrating as a global and national Church, and how we can be tangible signs of hope and build a better world together throughout this holy year. Visit: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/a-year-of-hope-an-introduction-to-the-jubilee-year>

**Bishop Patrick invites representatives from every parish on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 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 led by Deacon David Palmer (Birmingham Archdiocese) together with the Catholic Evangelisation Services. More details will be sent out soon.

**Is God calling me to be a priest?** Do you feel that God might be calling you to the priesthood? If so, please contact Fr Neil Peoples - Vocations Director at [vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk) to book a place at the next discernment meeting. Taking place in Cathedral House, Nottingham after the 10am Mass on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January

**Men's Spiritual Exercises, Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> 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/>