THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING, ALFRETON S   St. PATRICK AND St. BRIDGET, CLAY CROSS   104 Nottingham Road, ALFRETON, DE55 7GL   Church Ctkchurchalfreton@gmail.com @ 01773 833174   Parish Hall Ctkchurchall@gmail.com @ 01773 833174   Parish Website: christthekingalfreton.org   Parish Priest: Rev. Paul Nellikulam Pius   St Clare's Convent Clay Cross @ 01246 862621   St Clare's Convent Clay Cross @ 01246 862621   St Clare's Convent Clay Cross @ 01246 862621   Christ the King School @ 01773 832919   Safeguarding Rep: Veronica Grant @ 07513 725538   Parish Pastoral Council Chairman: Peter Connolly @ 07783363548   Ofth Sunday of Ordinary Time: Weekly Bulletin 22 <sup>nd</sup> February- 02 <sup>nd</sup> March 2025   Confessions are available before and after Holy Mass on Request	
Alfreton	<u>Clay Cross</u>
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February:6.30pm Mass: Lisa Allden Wellbeing	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February:9am Mass: David Crandall RIP
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February: 10.30am Mass: Jim Waldron RIP	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February: <u>No Mass</u>	<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February:</b> 9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass: Anne Laughnane Ints
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February: 9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: Sandra Johnson RIP	<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February:</b> 9.30am Adoration,10am Mass: Hyacinth Connolly Wellbeing
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February: 9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass: John Murphy RIP	Sunday 02 <sup>nd</sup> March: 9am Mass: Meg Bennett RIP
Saturday 01 <sup>st</sup> March: 6.30pm Mass: David & Jackie Ints	
Sunday 02 <sup>nd</sup> March:10.30am Mass: Leah Philbin RIP	February 2025 Cleaners
	Alfreton: Marta & York Clay Cross: Roy K Andrews & Family
Sick & Housebound	
<b>Please pray for</b> – Shirley Oakes, Ian 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	Collection for 15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
McCallum, Roseanne Coyne, Cecilia Fletcher, Thomas Graczky	Alfreton £327.71
and Pennie Burton. Please remember all in our parish who	Clay Cross £261.45
need our prayers.	Standing Order £243.75
This Week's Readers: Alfreton	Total Collection £823.91
Saturday 6.30pm: Ryan Hudson/Moya Mellors	Benesiter // CC C22.40
Sunday 10.30am: Catherine Galloway/Barrie Meloy	Repository: CC £32.40 CTK £7.20
<u>This Week's Readers</u> : Clay Cross Sunday 9am: Kate Tippen/Jiya	CIR £7.20 Candles: CC £41.20
	CTK £28.75
Next Week's Readers: Alfreton	Knit & Natter £6.00
Saturday 6.30pm: Claire Smith/Veronica Grant Sunday 10.30am: John Boxall/Fungai Chingwenje	Second Collection:Racial Justice Suday £227.49
Next Week's Readers: Clay Cross Sunday 9am: David Johnson/Laveena	Many thanks for your generosity
"We all agree that forgiveness is a beautiful idea until we have to practice it."	

C. S. Lewis

**Baptisms:** We welcome Harper Amy Paige Ward & Lydia Mae Ward into the parish community of Clay Cross. Best wishes to them and their family.

**Parish Lunch, Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025 at 1pm**. The booking lists for the March 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 adding your name by Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 or by telephoning 07739896735 by Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February (please leave a message if no one answers) so that we know how many people we need to cater for.

**Church Hall Caretaker/Manager** - we are looking for a new caretaker for the church hall. The role entails taking bookings, ensuring maintenance and cleaning of the building and surrounding area outside. For more information, please speak to Anita Day or Peter Connolly. Please submit your interest in the position by Sunday 02<sup>nd</sup> March by CV to ctkchurchalfreton@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

**Volunteers needed** - for teas and coffees after mass on Sundays at CTK. A sign-up sheet with more information is located on the board just inside the church.

**Lenten Bishop's Mass on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm at Matlock:** If you would like to attend the Bishop's Holy Mass during Lent, please confirm your attendance so that the Matlock parish can arrange seating accordingly. A sign-up form is available in the porch. Kindly complete and return the form by Friday, 07<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

**Legion of Mary** - hold weekly prayers/meeting at 9am on Sundays in little room at CTK church hall, lasting one hour. If interested - please attend for more information or get in touch with a member. https://www.legionofmary.ie/

**Book of Remembrance:** Please send the names of your deceased family members, along with the month of their passing, to the parish email so we can update the **Parish Book of Remembrance**.

Old Palm Crosses: Please bring your old palm crosses to the church so we can use them to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.

**Flame of Love Rosary:** Come and join us to pray a decade of the Flame of Love Rosary at St Patrick's and St Bridget's every Tuesday after the 10am Mass.

**St. Patrick's Day Celebration:** We are delighted to invite you to celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Saturday, 15th March. The festivities will begin after the 6:30pm Holy Mass and take place in the Hall. **Event Details:** Entry Ticket: £3. Please bring your own food and drink. We will come together to share a meal, fostering a warm and friendly atmosphere together we will have live music and Raffles. Your presence and participation are essential in making this celebration a joyful and memorable occasion. We hope you can join us for an evening filled with fellowship, laughter, and community spirit.

Jubilee Year Visit to St Barnabas Cathedral – Sign-Up Required: As part of our Jubilee Year celebrations, we are excited to invite you to a visit to St Barnabas Cathedral. Below are the details of the event: Date & Time: Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> July at 1:00 PM – we will celebrate Holy Mass at Cathedral church followed by a visit to the Heritage Centre. Additional Arrangements: Weather permitting, you are welcome to enjoy a picnic lunch in the hall or gardens. The Cathedral staff will provide tea and coffee. Coach Booking: In order to book the coach, I need to know how many people plan to attend. We will share details regarding the prize and other specifics once we have a confirmed headcount and the coach price. Sign-Up: A sign-up form is available in the porch. Please complete and return the form by Sunday, 23rd March 2025. I look forward to a wonderful day together.

**Parish Email:** The Diocese has informed us that all parishes are required to change their email addresses within the next few months to one that is directly linked to the Diocese. Our new parish email address is <u>ctkchurchalfreton@dioceseofnottingham.uk</u>. This change is being made for security reasons, as the Diocese of Nottingham aims to centralize and secure all parish communications. Once the new email system is fully established, we will discontinue the use of our current parish Gmail account. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this transition.

**A practical photography skills workshop for beginner**, amateur, and professional photographers alike in the Diocese of Nottingham, with a focus on capturing liturgical settings and events, is being held between 11.00am-1.00pm on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March at Nottingham Cathedral (Saint Barnabas), NG1 5AE. Preregistration is essential as spaces are limited. For more information and to book visit dioceseofnottingham/events or email Naomi at communications@dioceseofnottingham.uk

**Parents' Retreat** The Diocese of Nottingham is organising a day retreat for parents on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March at Our Lady of Lincoln Parish (LN2 2HE), 10.00am-3.30pm. The day will be led by Mike and Alicia Hernon, international Catholic speakers and hosts of the successful podcast: 'The Messy Family Project'. The day will include Sunday Mass, talks, activities for Children, Eucharistic Adoration and more. Booking is essential. The cost is £25 per couple, please also bring a packed lunch. For more information, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/parentsretreat25">https://bit.ly/parentsretreat25</a>

Bishop Patrick invites parishioners to join the Nottingham Diocesan Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage taking place between Monday 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July. The Pilgrimage includes a full liturgical program, with Mass each day;return direct flights from East Midlands Airport to Lourdes; full board for four nights in a three- or four- star hotel; assistance (for those who need it) from the Diocesan Hospitalité and Health Team. Prices start from £899, and more details are at: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/lourdes

**The Saint Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD are working together** to offer a week of free residential work experience for 20 young adults in England and Wales. The experience will run from 22<sup>nd</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> June in London. Candidates must be aged have completed their first or second year at university and have a passion for social justice. Applications close on Easter Day, 20<sup>th</sup> April. For any queries please contact KeziaH@svp.org.uk