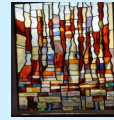


## Newsletter for The Catholic Community of The Annunciation of Rushcliffe

For our churches:

Holy Spirit West Bridgford, and Our Lady of Grace, Cotgrave.  
St Anne's, Radcliffe on Trent, and St Margaret Clitherow, Keyworth.

**Twenty-Third Sunday of the Year- Sunday 4th September 2022**



We hope you all had a good Summer. Welcome to the newly formed Community of the Annunciation of Rushcliffe! Four churches united together as one. We hope that we will grow together and help each other in keeping our faith and spirituality strong, and our community thriving. We must also be patient with each other and recognise that this is a big change, and it is a good thing and benefits us all, but it will take time for us all to adjust. Our new parish name is yet to be official, we consulted you this Summer with suggestions, thank you for your support. Bishop Patrick McKinney decided on a our new parish name which is 'Parish of the Annunciation' once the Canonical process is finished. We will keep you informed, as soon as we know.

We warmly welcome our new Priests Fr. John Martin (Parish Priest) and Fr. Liam Carpenter (Assistant Priest). Fr. John will be living in the Presbytery at St Anne's in Radcliffe-on-Trent and Fr. Liam in the Presbytery in West Bridgford. We wish them firm hope and strength in their new priestly vocation, and that we too as parishioners look to support them both with renewed positivity as a new four church community.

### Fr. John Martin –Parish Priest

I was born in Dublin, Ireland, both my parents were Dubliners. I am one of eight siblings, I have two brothers Paul and Thomas and five sisters, Breda, Joan Catherine, Rita and Lorraine. Seven of us were born in Ireland and my youngest brother Paul was born in the City Hospital, Nottingham. My family arrived in Nottingham in 1968 when I was nine years old. I went to Saint Mary's Junior School, on Derby Road, by the Cathedral and from there I went to Bishop Dunn, Secondary School, in Aspley. While at school I felt God was calling me to religious life and after I left school in 1975 and I went to train as a chef at Nazareth House, Nottingham and in my final year of training I felt I had to answer God's call and so I entered the Hospitaller Order of Saint John of John 29th September 1978.



After doing my discernment, noviciate, simple and solemn profession, I did my degree BSc, Diploma, in Social Worker, and served as The Provincial of the English Province for 12 years. I felt the call to priesthood within my call as a Brother of Saint John of God. The Order did not wish at that time to Ordain any more Brothers at that time and I therefore with a heavy heart, left the Order to follow God's call into the Diocesan Priesthood. I study at Oscott Seminary Birmingham and was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2013 by Bishop Malcom McMahan OP.

After Ordination, Bishop Malcom appointed me, his Chaplain to the Youth Service, where I spent two very happy years, I had never worked children. All my 33 years of working life in the Order was spent looking after adults and in administration.

I fulfilled my Diaconate training at the Parish of Saint Albans under the guidance of Fr Paul Newman and what a good grounding he and the parish gave me. In the very short 9 years I have been a Priest, I have worked in various parishes as both Deacon and Priest: Saint Albans-Derby, The Church on Oakwood-Derby, Christ the King-Mackworth, All Saints-Ashbourne, Saint Mary on the Sea-Grimsby, Saint Pius X-Grimsby, Saint Thomas Fisher-Grimsby, Corpus Christi-Cleethorpes, Our Lady Star of the Sea-Immingham, Saint Barnabas Cathedral-Nottingham.

I am not a football man, so you don't have to worry about Leicester, Forest or County, with me! I will always be ready to console you!

I enjoy walking, reading, Irish folk music, cooking when I can, and going for a gentle bike ride!

My passion is to walk beside you on your Christian Journey, to inspire, support, be present, to listen and together encounter Christ in each other, to be bold and be Missionary outward looking and build up the Kingdom of God in our community of The Annunciation! May Jesus, Mary and Joseph guide us with the power and grace of the Holy Spirit as we come to know one another in our new setup of the Church's of The Annunciation! Peace. Fr. John.

### Fr Liam Carpenter– Assistant Priest

Hello! I am Fr Liam, and I am delighted to have been appointed as Assistant Priest to the Catholic Community of the Annunciation, Rushcliffe at such an exciting time in the lives of our 4 parishes. I was born on 7<sup>th</sup> June 1985 in Leicestershire, the eldest child of Bill and Gaynor Carpenter. I have a younger brother called Tom who was born in 1991, and twin half siblings Islam and Yasmin who were born in 1995.



Although I was baptised as a 3-month-old baby, I was not raised in the practice of the Catholic Faith. However, when I was 12, partly due to the grace of baptism that had lain dormant in me, and the influence and inspiration of gifted RE teachers at English Martyr's School in Leicester I decided to return independently to the practice of the faith, and so took myself off to Mass at St Peter's Church on Hinckley Road. I made my first confession in 1997, coincidentally to Fr Michael Brown – no doubt the trauma of the event has led him to retire! Fr John McCay also presided at my late Grandmother's funeral in 2005, so the bonds of connectedness between our outgoing clergy are precious to me.

Like Fr John Martin, during my teenage years I also began to feel a pull towards the religious life. Following university study in London, I became a Benedictine Monk at St Augustine's Abbey in Ramsgate in 2006, moving in 2010 to St Michael's Abbey in Farnborough. By 2013 I was working as Guest-Master of the monastery and enjoyed speaking to different groups who visited and giving retreat days to the local school children. It was during this time that I began to feel a call to serve God as a Priest, and so I sought permission to return to the Diocese of Nottingham and begin seminary formation. During this period of discernment, I was encouraged and supported by a 'youngish' Deacon I met at an ordination in Leicester – Deacon John Martin!

After studies at St Mary's College Oscott, during which I worked as RC Chaplain to HMP Birmingham for two years, I was ordained priest alongside Fr John Owens on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019, the feast of St Maria Goretti, in St Barnabas Cathedral at the hands of Bishop Patrick McKinney. Following ordination, I served 4 parishes in North Lincolnshire residing at St Bernadette's in Scunthorpe, until more recently serving as Assistant Priest in the parish of the Holy Family here in Nottingham.

I am also the Assistant Vocations Director, working alongside Fr Neil Peoples in this important work. *(continued on page 4)*

**Diary for Week Commencing 4th September**

**H.S. Social Centre Diary**

<p><b>Sun 4th September</b> Twenty-Third of the Year</p>	<p><b>Holy Spirit (Sat)</b> 6.30pm Mass- Kath Spencer RIP 11am Mass- Conor O'Hara RIP 1pm Baptism- Reuben O'Sullivan</p> <p><b>St Anne's (Sat)</b> 4.30pm Mass 9.30am Mass</p> <p><b>Our Lady of Grace</b> 11am Mass <b>St Margaret of Clitherow</b> 9.30am Mass- Eleanor Gauntley RIP</p>	
<p><b>Mon 5th September</b> Feria</p>	<p><b>St Anne's</b> 9.30am Mass</p>	<p>9am- U3A (Hall) 4.30pm-Rainbows (Hall) 5.15pm-Beavers (Upstairs) 6.30pm- Brownies (Hall) 6.30pm-Cubs (Upstairs)</p>
<p><b>Tues 6th September</b> Feria</p>	<p><b>Our Lady of Grace</b> No Mass this week</p> <p><b>St Margaret Clitherow</b> 9.30am Mass- Deceased Members of Curtis Family</p>	<p>9am-4pm- Dementia Social (Hall)</p>
<p><b>Wed 7th September</b> Feria</p>	<p><b>Holy Spirit</b> 9.30am Mass-Patricia Howse RIP (Coffee after Mass)</p>	<p>Coffee after Mass 5pm-6.30pm Lockton Dance Class (Hall)</p>
<p><b>Thurs 8th September</b> The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (FEAST)</p>	<p><b>Holy Spirit</b> 9.30am Mass (Rosary after Mass)</p> <p><b>St Anne's</b> 9.30am Mass</p>	<p>10am-11.30am- Toddler Group (Hall) 1.30pm-2pm Yodance Seniors (Hall) 7.15pm-9.15pm Scouts (Hall)</p>
<p><b>Fri 9th September</b> Feria</p>	<p><b>St Anne's</b> 11-11.50am Exposition Midday Mass (Soup and Sandwiches after Mass)</p> <p><b>Holy Spirit</b> 6.30pm- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.20pm- Benediction 7.30pm Mass- Intentions of Fr. Michael Brown and Fr. John McCay.</p>	<p>10am-2pm Yoga Training (Hall) 1.30pm-2.30pm 1.30pm -SVP Meeting (Upstairs)</p>
<p><b>Sat 10th September</b> Feria</p>	<p><b>Holy Spirit</b> 5.30pm- 6.20pm-Confessions 6.30pm Mass- John Mannering RIP</p> <p><b>St Annes</b> 3.45pm-4.15pm- Confessions 4.30pm Mass</p>	
<p><b>Sun 11th September</b> Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p><b>Holy Spirit</b> 11am Mass- The people of our community</p> <p><b>St Anne's</b> 9.30am Mass</p> <p><b>Our Lady of Grace</b> 11am Mass</p> <p><b>St Margaret of Clitherow</b> 9.30am Mass</p>	<p>Children's Liturgy during 11am Mass (Hall)</p>

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

**PARISH GROUPS (HOLY SPIRIT)**

Baby and Toddler Group - [HStoddlergroup@gmail.com](mailto:HStoddlergroup@gmail.com)  
Brownies– **Claire Spencer** Tel: **9142508**

The Burundi Project- **Jim Madden** Tel: **914 2370**

Cafod- **Liz Bonner** Tel: **07914 787030**

Catenians - **John Sneyd** Tel: **9816769**

[www.nottinghamcatenians.org](http://www.nottinghamcatenians.org)

Children's Liturgy - **Jane Barrett** Tel: **07785574975**

Cubs- **Jeremy Fenn** Tel: **07764 830794**

Guides- **Caity Lee** Email: [10thwbguides@gmail.com](mailto:10thwbguides@gmail.com)

H.S. PPC - **Angela Fenn** Tel: **07920 149140**

Rainbows- **Rebecca Adamson** Tel: **07818 599 074**

Scouts- **Margaret Walker** Tel: **9899553**

S.V.P.- **Cristina Lira** Tel: **07985481869**

H.S Friendship Group- **Maureen Doodson**

**Tel: 8914601**

Youth Group- **Caty Darby** Tel:**07939467840**

**SPORTS GROUPS**

Cricket Team- **David Paton** -  
([David.Paton@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:David.Paton@nottingham.ac.uk))

Golf Society- **John Carolan** Tel: **07764285863**

H.S. Badminton- **Marina Johnson** Tel: **0115 8373164**

H.S. Celtic Football- **Simon Le Ruez** Tel: **07796 234928**

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Newsletter Deadline is **Wednesday**.

**PARISH GROUPS (OUR LADY OF GRACE)**

Children's Liturgy– **Karen Richards** Tel: **9374565**

Cafod - **Eileen Widdicks** Tel: **9892882**

Traidcraft- **Lynn Harrison** Tel: **9235460**

Our Lady of Grace PPC- **Anne Ferguson** Tel: **9892693**

SVP- **Michael Jennings** Tel: **9374307**

**PARISH GROUPS ( ST MARGARET CLITHEROW)**

Children's Liturgy– **Carmel Zawodniak** Tel: **07711273183**

Cafod –TBC

Traidcraft- **Nuala Snow** Tel: **07896108619**

St Margaret Clitherow PPC– **Carmel Zawodniak** Tel: **07711273183**

SVP– **Stewart Molyneux** Tel: **07946364498**

**PARISH GROUPS ( ST ANNE'S)**

Children's Liturgy– **Frances Moore**

Repository– **Celia Radcliffe** Tel: **0708 211018**

St Anne's PPC– **John Boland Lee** Tel:**07984 417324**

**OUR PARISH CHURCHES**

The Holy Spirit	Our Lady of Grace	St Ann's Church	St Margaret Clitherow
Melton Road	Candelby Lane	New Road	Willow Brook
West Bridgford	Cotgrave	Radcliffe- on-Trent	Keyworth
Nottingham	Nottingham	Nottingham	Nottingham
NG2 7JW	NG12 3JG	NG12 2AJ	NG12 5BB

**CLERGY TEAM**

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St Anne's: Christine Marquina Email: [Christine.MarquinaPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:Christine.MarquinaPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

St Margaret Clitherow– Clare Bhabra Email: [cfbhabra@gmail.com](mailto:cfbhabra@gmail.com)

Diocesan Safeguarding Contact: Rachel Campion [safeguarding@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:safeguarding@dioceseofnottingham.uk) or telephone **0115 9539850**

**PRIMARY SCHOOLS**

St Edmund Campion Voluntary Academy School <https://stedmundcampion.com/> Headteacher– Anita Blake /0115 9147889

**SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

The Becket School <https://becketonline.co.uk/> Headteacher– Paul Grieg Tel: 0115 9824280

**WEBSITES** -[www.holyspiritwb.org](http://www.holyspiritwb.org) [www.ourladyofgracecotgrave.org](http://www.ourladyofgracecotgrave.org)

Deanery: [www.nottsmeastdeanery.org](http://www.nottsmeastdeanery.org)Diocese: [www.nottingham-diocese.org.uk](http://www.nottingham-diocese.org.uk)

**SOCIAL MEDIA** TWITTER: West B+Cotgrave RC FACEBOOK- @HolySpritWB @'www.facebook.com/OLOGCotgrave

In a world of change, I am sure some of you will be delighted that some things remain a constant – I too have a fondness for Leicester City FC, although I can't profess to be as committed to the cause as Fr John McCay! In my spare time I enjoy cooking, walking, travel, listening to music everything from Beethoven to Billie Eilish, and spoiling my 2 young nieces, Chloe (5) and Poppy (3), with far more chocolate than their parents allow!



Thank you for the warmth of your welcome, and I look forward to getting to know you all over the coming weeks and months. Fr. Liam.

Fr. Michael and Fr. John (McCay) were overwhelmed by the kindness shown to them last Sunday. It was so wonderful to see so many people after Mass at Cotgrave and at the supper in the social centre in the evening. We appreciated all the kind cards and gifts and offerings that we received. You were very generous.

Thank you so much to the people who worked to put together the celebrations.

We will miss you all very much, after 11 years, and want to thank you all for skills and talents and generosity of spirit to the Church.

Please pray for us as we move on to new pastures and for Fr. John (Martin) and Fr. Liam as they take the lead in the challenges ahead.

God bless you all.

Fr. Michael  
and Fr. John.



### Community of the Annunciation

#### of Rushcliffe Steering Group meeting

The next community Steering Group meeting with PPC representatives from all our four churches in our new community will be held on :

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September**, Our Lady of Grace, Cotgrave, 7pm for 7.30pm.

#### **Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at St Anne's**

St Anne's will have a PPC Meeting on Monday 5th September 7-7.30pm

Please contact John Boland Lee (PPC Chair) for information.

#### New Volunteers are needed at Holy Spirit

We need people to serve refreshments after 11am Mass on Sunday. If you can help, please contact Catherine at the parish office.

Email [office@holyspiritwb.co.uk](mailto:office@holyspiritwb.co.uk)

**Newsletter:** if you would like to receive the newsletter by email please let us know.

Please email Catherine Giavarini

[office@holyspiritwb.co.uk](mailto:office@holyspiritwb.co.uk)

#### **A new Baptism Course Starts this Autumn**

A new Baptism course for parents starts in our new community this Autumn.

More information will be given in the next few weeks.

If you are looking to have your child baptized at any of the churches in our parish. Please contact the office.

Contact Catherine at: [office@holyspiritwb.co.uk](mailto:office@holyspiritwb.co.uk)

#### **ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR IS NEEDED FOR OUR NEW PARISH**

A new part time Assistant Administrator is needed to work for four days with our existing Administrator in the Parish office which is based at Holy Spirit Church for immediate start in October.

Good organisational skills are essential as well as a working knowledge of Microsoft office, some admin experience is preferable to assist with communication and day to day running of our parish.

If you think would be interested in this role. Then please email the parish office for further information and your CV. The deadline for applications is:

**Thursday 22nd September.**

Email: [office@holyspiritwb.co.uk](mailto:office@holyspiritwb.co.uk)

#### **Flower Team**

We are planning on putting on a short tutorial to give volunteers a few basic skills relating to church flower arranging. Please get in touch with Ros Woods to confirm attendance, preferably by email at [ros.woods@talk21.com](mailto:ros.woods@talk21.com) or Tel: 0115 9847585

The date will be Saturday 24th Sept starting at 10am until 12 midday in the Holy Spirit Social Centre Hall.

#### **Mass Intentions Update–**

You can email your Mass Intentions to Catherine at:

[office@holyspiritwb.co.uk](mailto:office@holyspiritwb.co.uk) and pay you Mass stipend online at Holy Spirit or Our Lady of Grace, please write Mass Stipend on payment. Email the office for more information.

But, at St Margaret Clitherow and St Anne's please hand in your Mass stipends (payment) in an envelope to Fr. John or Fr. Liam who will deliver your envelope to the parish office. **Please make sure your Intention and contact details are written clearly on the envelope.**

#### **St Margaret Clitherow Box FOR THOSE IN NEED.**

Please keep filling the box with tins and packets of food and treats. Toiletries are also well received. THANK YOU. **TRAI DCRAFT** Thank you to all who continue to support the sale of fairly traded goods thus helping people WORK their way out of poverty. Cards for most occasions are also on sale starting at 90p. Well worth a look!