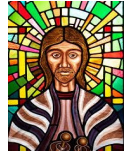




**Newsletter for The Catholic Community of
The Annunciation, Rushcliffe**
Serving the Eucharistic Communities of:
Holy Spirit West, Bridgford, and Our Lady of Grace, Cotgrave.
St Anne's, Radcliffe on Trent, and St Margaret Clitherow, Keyworth.



The Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday 4th December 2022

Patrick Vesey RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patrick Vesey who died recently. His Funeral Service will be at 6.30pm on Friday 9th December at the Holy Spirit Church



Please keep his family in your prayers.

Kathleen O'Donnell RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kathleen O'Donnell who died recently.



Her Funeral Mass will be on Tuesday 6th December 10am at St Anne's Church.

Please keep her family in your prayers.

Vera Cunningham RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Vera Cunningham who died recently.



Her Funeral Mass will be on Monday 5th December 12pm at the Holy Spirit Church.

Please keep her family in your prayers.

Maria Bach RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maria Bach who died recently.



Her Reception will be on Sunday 4th December 4pm at St Anne's Church, and her Funeral Mass on Monday 5th December 10.30am.

Please keep her family in your prayers.

The Second Sunday of Advent

The second candle, also purple, represents faith. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.



Advent Reconciliation Services

St Anne's, Thursday 15th December - 11am Reconciliation Service followed by Mass at MIDDAY.

Holy Spirit, Friday 16th December - 6.30pm Reconciliation Service, followed by Mass at 7.30pm.

St Margaret Clitherow, Tuesday 20th December - 11am Reconciliation Service and then MIDDAY Mass.

Our Lady of Grace Thursday 22nd December - 6.30pm Reconciliation Service followed by Mass 7.30pm.

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Preparation Programme 2023

Any parents/carers of children in Year 4 or above who are interested in taking their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

Thank you to all those parents who attended the meeting last Monday.

The programme is open to children at all our churches: St Anne's, St Margaret Clitherow, Our Lady of Grace, and Holy Spirit.

Programme dates and Enrolment forms are available to download from the Holy Spirit website.

Please see the link below:

<https://www.holyspiritwb.org/sacraments/first-communion/>



Masses of Enrolment

the weekend of 10th/11th December

Enrolment forms will need to be handed to the Priest at any Mass at our churches on **10th/11th December**.

Children who want to make their First Holy Communion will need to proceed up to the altar to hand in the First Holy Communion forms, please put it in an envelope and include a copy of the Baptism certificate.

Those parents who did not attend the meeting last Monday must contact parish office. All applications for First Holy Communion must be completed by 31st December, which is the final deadline for the enrolment programme.

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve



Holy Spirit - 4.30pm Children's Mass,

Christmas Carols at 11.30pm followed by Midnight Mass.

Our Lady of Grace 6.30pm Family Mass.

St Anne's - 4.30pm Family Mass Christmas Carols at 11.30pm followed by Midnight Mass.

St Margaret Clitherow Christmas Eve 7.30pm Mass

Christmas Day

St Anne's - 9.30am Christmas Mass.

St Margaret Clitherow - 9.30am Christmas Mass.

Holy Spirit - 11am Christmas Mass.

Our Lady of Grace - 11am - Christmas Mass.

OUR LADY OF GRACE TRADCRAFT

The next stall is this Sunday 4th of December.



Diary for Week Commencing 4th December

The Second Sunday of Advent

<p>Sun 4th December The Second Sunday of Advent</p>	<p>St Anne's (Sat) 4.30pm Mass-Thomas, Mary and Maura Dooley 9.30am Mass– Malcolm McMillan 90th Birthday 4pm Reception of Maria Bach RIP</p> <p>St Margaret Clitherow 9.30am Mass– Chris Lillie RIP (4th Anniv.)</p> <p>Holy Spirit (Sat) 6.30pm Mass-Gladys Martin RIP 11am Mass– Kathleen Margaret Vellacott RIP</p> <p>Our Lady of Grace 11am Mass– Intentions of the Spalding & Mercer families, Living and Deceased.</p>
<p>Mon 5th December Advent Feria</p>	<p>St Anne's 10.30am Funeral Mass– Maria Bach RIP</p> <p>Holy Spirit– 12 Noon Funeral Service Vera Cunningham RIP</p>
<p>Tues 6th December Advent Feria</p>	<p>St Anne's 10am Funeral Mass– Kathleen O'Donnell RIP</p> <p>Holy Spirit- 7pm-8.30pm Baptism Course (Hall of Holy Spirit Social Centre)</p>
<p>Wed 7th December Saint Ambrose, bishop and doctor (memorial)</p>	<p>Holy Spirit 9.30am Mass- Joe, Angie & John Ward RIP</p>
<p>Thurs 8th December The immaculate conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of our Diocese (SOLEMNITY)</p>	<p>Holy Spirit 9.30am Mass-Mr Michael Hutnyk and Mr Wasyk Najda RIP</p>
<p>Fri 9th December Advent Feria</p>	<p>St Anne's 11-11.50am Exposition (Rosary before Mass) Midday Mass–Ivor Radcliffe RIP (Soup and Rolls after Mass)</p> <p>Holy Spirit 5.30pm Mass– Mr Farrell 6.30pm Funeral Service- Patrick Vesey RIP</p>
<p>Sat 10th December Advent Feria</p>	<p>St Anne's 4pm (Rosary before Mass) 4.30pm Mass– Dick Bond RIP (2nd Anniv.)</p> <p>Holy Spirit 11am– Reception and Confirmation of Kevin Bratt. 12.30pm Baptism– Isabelle Hart, Ezra Hickey, Keziah Hickey, Thomas Bowdler. 2pm Baptism– Esther Raizada 5.45pm-6.30pm Confessions 6.30pm Mass– Brian McNulty RIP</p>
<p>Sun 11th December Third Sunday of Advent</p>	<p>St Anne's 9.30am Mass– Tom Sheehy RIP</p> <p>St Margaret Clitherow 9.30am Mass–Sr M Beuno OP</p> <p>Holy Spirit 11am Mass– Cafod Candles Of Love Mass</p> <p>Our Lady of Grace 11am Mass– Agnes Mckenzie's Intentions</p>

CHURCHES TOGETHER KEYWORTH

Churches Together Christingle Service.
 Sunday 4th December at 4pm in Keyworth Methodist Church. For children of all ages!

Sunday 11th December at 7pm in St Margaret Clitherow.
 We are hosting the annual Catholic/Methodist Carol Service. ALL are welcome to join us!

This Weekend's Second Collection is for:
 Poor and Needy Parishes

If you have any unwanted religious items such as rosaries and statues due to house clearance, then please deliver them to St Anne's church, Radcliffe. For the attention of Tony Crump.

Many thanks in advance.

CHURCHES TOGETHER BINGHAM are holding their annual "Big Sing" on Saturday 10th December at the Methodist Centre Bingham at 3:00pm. This is an opportunity to come along and sing a few carols and seasonal songs with fellow Christians in Bingham.
 In previous years the Catholics have been good supporters of this event, so why not come along and catch up with some friends you might not have seen in quite a while.

Pact's Christmas Carol Service
Thursday 8th December at 7pm
followed by a reception
Join us at Sacred Heart Church, Carlton, Nottingham, NG4 1FP.
 The Service will be led by Bishop Patrick McKinney,
 There will be a collection for Pact's work with prisoners and their families.

**VOLUNTEER BOOKKEEPER
 REQUIRED FOR NEW PARISH**

Are you a retired bookkeeper with a background in accounting and are computer literate? Are you looking for something to keep you occupied part-time?

We are looking for someone to help with parish bookkeeping.

You would be liaising with Fr. John and the parish admin team. We have mentors who would also give you some training and support.

If you are interested please speak to Fr. John or contact the Parish office.

Email: office@holyspiritwb.co.uk

Advent Prayer

Father, in the wilderness of the Jordan
 you sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts
 for the coming of your Son.
 Help me to hear his words and repent of my sins, so that I
 may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the
 life to live for Him,
 our Lord Jesus Christ.
 Amen.

Live Simply-

Instead of sending Christmas Cards this year, use our Cafod Notice board at Holy Spirit to wish your fellow parishioners.

'Good Wishes and Blessings this Christmas'

A donation could be made to Cafod,

Christmas Newsletter and New Year Newsletter-

Please send in your newsletter inserts for the Christmas week newsletter and for the New Year newsletter as well in the next coming weeks.

The deadline for all these inserts is

Monday 13th December.

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

Please email Catherine office@holyspiritwb.co.uk The Newsletter deadline is next **Wednesday 6pm**

OUR CHURCHES

The Holy Spirit	Our Lady of Grace	St Anne'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

Parish Priest- Fr John Martin Tel: 0115 933 2738 /9814271 Email: john.martin@dioceseofnottingham.uk

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Parish Office - Holy Spirit Presbytery, 29 Charnwood Grove, West Bridgford, Nottingham NG2 7NT.

PARISH ADMIN TEAM Catherine Giavarini and Margaret Joby Tel: 0115 9814271 Email: office@holyspiritwb.co.uk

For room hire bookings at the Holy Spirit Social Centre, contact parish office.

A list of all our Community Groups can be found on: <https://www.holyspiritwb.org/our-community-groups/>

Holy Spirit SVP Advent Appeal for Homeless and disadvantaged people–

Please show your support and donate bags of food and clothes for the homeless and disadvantaged in our community. Bags will need to be returned 17th/18th December, you will need to provide your own bag this year too.

The list of items needed is on the Holy Spirit website too.

<https://www.holyspiritwb.org/holy-spirit-svp-advent-appeal/>

Thank you to all who donated clothes last weekend.

Cakes and Crafts Sale this Sunday!

SVP Holy Spirit are holding a cakes and crafts sale on the 11th of December after Mass. We are raising funds in particular for buying sleeping bags that Emmanuel House will use for its beneficiaries.

Thank you for your generosity!



Holy Spirit Bookshop -

Christmas cards, Advent calendars including Fairtrade chocolate calendars. Nativity sets and Christmas books for children and much more.

Open after weekend Mass.



The Big Sleep Out 2022!

The Live Simply Youth Group based at the Holy Spirit have 10 young people taking on the challenge of giving up their beds and usual comforts for the night to raise money for young people facing homelessness on Saturday 10th December.

They will be raising money for Centrepoin.

Please donate to their Just Giving Page

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/live-simply-youth>

Crisp Packet Recycling at Holy Spirit!

Thank you so much for the continued donations of crisp and snack packets collected at the back of church. The Live Simply Youth group continue to sort and pack them, and they are sent to TerraCycle where they are processed and made into pellets made into fence posts and similar. To date we have diverted 203.8Kg from landfill! Also, for every 2,000 points worth of packets recycled we earn £20 for our chosen charity, Emmanuel House. Since we started collecting we have raised £650 for the homeless charity.

Please continue to support our youth with the scheme by bringing in crisp and snack packets (but please finish your snacks first and don't fold them into cool little triangles as we have to spend a long time unfolding them!) Thank you! Caty Darby.

The next Parish Baptism Course will be Tuesday

6th December 7pm-8.30pm at The Holy Spirit Church, West Bridgford. Please Contact the Parish Admin Team at:

office@holyspiritwb.co.uk

if you would like to attend.



Video of Parish Mass on 20th November– For those of you who did not get to see Fr. John's Induction at the Becket school. The Becket have very kindly sent a video to us of the Mass. To watch it, please click on the link below:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iWJtCImUBXIXXe1Jn96KfoCICS67wPAh/view?usp=share_link

CAFOD News

The Christmas hamper has been donated by Una from St Margaret Clitherow for CAFOD funds and we will be selling tickets for this at all the Churches in our Parish, it will be drawn on Sunday 18th December at St Margaret Clitherow church. Tickets are £1 a strip.

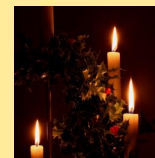
Candles of Love Mass, Holy Spirit Church 11am on Sunday 11th December. If you would like to take part, write a message for someone you would like to pray for on a Candle of Love, which will be displayed on the Altar throughout this Mass. Candles can be purchased at the Holy Spirit Church from any member of the CAFOD group.

Cafod Advent Appeal- This Advent we are asking for your help on behalf of families who are resourceful and ordinarily know how to cope, but are now living through the worst drought in 40 years. Your gift could help Nyanguet and her family survive and receive precious seeds that survive longer without water. Please go to our Just Giving site:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/the-community-of-the-annunciation-of-rushcliffe-cafod-fundraising-page4>

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.



Charity Concert - Saturday 17th December - 2.30pm St Mary's Church, Radcliffe-on-Trent

Featuring the Radcliffe-on-Trent Male Voice Choir,
The Blidworth Welfare Band
and children from Radcliffe on Trent Junior School.

Admission £10 - free for under 16s
For tickets - use the QR Code or visit

<https://radcliffeontrentmvc.org/>

Also available air

Pen2Paper on Main Street Radcliffe

