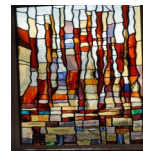


**Newsletter for The Catholic Community of
The Annunciation, Rushcliffe**
Serving the Eucharistic Communities of:
Holy Spirit West, Bridgford, and Our Lady of Grace, Cotgrave.
St Anne's, Radcliffe on Trent, and St Margaret Clitherow, Keyworth.



The Third Sunday of Advent– Gaudete Sunday

Sunday 11th December 2022

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Preparation Programme 2023



Any parents/carers of children in Year 4 or above who are interested in their child making their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion can enrol their child this weekend.

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

Masses of Enrolment

this 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 in November 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.

The Third Sunday of Advent

The third candle represents Joy. It is the Shepherd's Candle, as we remember to rejoice in Christ's birth, like the shepherds on the first Christmas Eve. It is also called Gaudete Sunday from the Latin Philippians 4:4,5 "rejoice in the Lord always." The third candle is usually pink or rose-colored.



CAFOD CANDLES OF LOVE MASS

AT HOLY SPIRIT

The Cafod Group will be holding the Candles of Love Mass at Holy Spirit this Sunday 12th December at the 11am Mass.



This gives people the opportunity to remember someone or pray for a special intention.

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.

HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH MORE GREETERS ARE NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES



We urgently need more Greeters for the Christmas Eve Mass at 11.30pm. Please show your support please, as we do not have enough for this Mass.

Please contact the Parish office if you can help.

Email: office@holyspiritwb.co.uk

Matthew Korybut–Daszkiewicz RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Matthew Korybut– Daszkiewicz who died recently.



His Funeral Mass will be on Tuesday 10th January at 12pm at the Holy Spirit Church.

Please keep his family in your prayers.

This Weekend's
Second Collection 10th / 11th December is for:
Poor and Needy Parishes

Diary for Week Commencing 11th December

The Second Sunday of Advent

Sun 11th December The Third Sunday of Advent– Gaudete Sunday	St Anne's (Sat) 4.30pm Mass-Dick Bond RIP (2nd Anniv.) 9.30am Mass– Tom Sheehy RIP St Margaret Clitherow 9.30am Mass– Sr M Beuno OP Holy Spirit (Sat) 6.30pm Mass-Brian McNulty RIP 11am Mass– Candles of Love Mass Our Lady of Grace 11am Mass– Agnes Mckenzie's Intentions
Mon 12th December Advent Feria	St Anne's 9.30am Mass–Kathleen Howard RIP
Tues 13th December St Lucy, Virgin, Martyr (Mem.)	Our Lady of Grace 9.30am-Thanksgiving for Private Intention
Wed 14th December St John of the Cross, Priest and Martyr (Mem.)	Holy Spirit 9.30am– Anne Scanlon RIP
Thurs 15th December Advent Feria	St Anne's 11am Reconciliation Service 12pm Mass– Marie Taylor
Fri 16th December Advent Feria	St Anne's 11am Adoration and Eucharistic Minister Service Holy Spirit 6.30pm Reconciliation 7.30pm Mass–Joe, Angie &John Ward RIP
Sat 17th December Advent Feria	St Anne's 4pm (Rosary before Mass) 4.30pm Mass– Jan Dunn Holy Spirit 5.45pm-6.30pm Confessions 6.30pm Mass– Jonathan Higham RIP (1st Anniv.)
Sun 18th December Fourth Sunday of Advent	St Anne's 9.30am Mass– Peter Murray RIP St Margaret Clitherow 9.30am Mass–Margaret Holt RIP Holy Spirit 11am Mass–Margaret and Patrick Moore RIP Our Lady of Grace 11am Mass– Deceased members of the Curtis Family

CAFOD Recycling Project

We have received a cheque (£43) from CAFOD recycling for the latest tech collection from The Holy Spirit parish. This amounts to £400 collected from waste/old tech over the past 2 years. This is great recycling.

We will be extending the scheme to all churches in the new Parish in the New Year 2023.

So please collect all your old tech gathering dust in a drawer (mobile phones, laptops, ipads, games consoles, old/broken jewellery, stamps and old/foreign money) and place them in the box which will be at the back of your parish church.

This collection is for small tech so please dispose of large tech (plugs and connecting wires, TVs, radios, sound systems, speakers etc) at the local recycling site.

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

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,

Many thanks to all those who supported the Emmanuel House Christmas Quiz. At the Holy Spirit Church. The total raised was £540.

St Anne's Christmas For Emmanuel House

Instead of sending Christmas cards to members of our church, at St Anne's, you can donate money, to The Emmanuel House winter shelter appeal, for the homeless.

You can send your personal wishes by signing the poster, in the church porch. Please put your donations into the box below this poster.

Thank you for your support.

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.

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>

CAFOD thank you for your continuing support by prayer, donations and speaking up for disadvantaged brothers and sisters in our

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

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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/>

Cakes and Crafts Sale this Sunday!

SVP Holy Spirit are holding a cakes and crafts sale on this Sunday after Mass. They are raising funds to buy sleeping bags for Emmanuel House

CAROL SERVICE

The annual joint Catholic / Methodist Carol Service will be held at St Margaret's on Sunday December 11th at 7pm.



ALL ARE WELCOME!

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 this 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>



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



St Anne's Charity Christmas Fayre

Congratulations to the Social Committee and to all those who supported the weekend's Christmas Fayre. Well over £3,000 was raised at the Fayre and from generous donations. Every penny will go to the Emmanuel House Winter Appeal, which provides shelter for those in need, See this link to read about the project - <https://www.emmanuelhouse.org.uk/emmanuel-house-joins-forces-with-university-campus-for-winter-shelter/> And it's not too late to donate!

