



Parish of The Annunciation, Rushcliffe

Serving the Churches of Holy Spirit, West Bridgford, Our Lady of Grace, Cotgrave,
St Anne, Radcliffe-on-Trent and Bingham, St Margaret Clitherow, Keyworth

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Jesus asked 'What do you want?'

Matthew 2:1-12

Second Sunday of the Year Peace Sunday Holy Masses and Services for 14th - 21st January 2024

| Date | Service | Intention |
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| Saturday 13th | 4pm Rosary; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS | Ann Rafter RIP Doreen Goortie RIP |
| Sunday 14th Second Sunday of the Year Peace Sunday | 9am Rosary; SA 9.30am Mass; SA 9.30am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS 11am Mass; OLOG | Pray for Peace The People of the Parish Tony and Geraldine Molloy Maurice Farmer RIP In Thanksgiving |
| Monday 15th | 9.30am Mass, SA | Alice Cahill RIP |
| Tuesday 16th | 9am Rosary; SMC 9.30am Mass; SMC 6.30pm Mass, HS | Loughlin Hickey RIP Welcome Mass for First Holy Communion Programme |
| Wednesday 17th St Anthony, abbot (memorial) | 9.30am Mass; HS 7pm Adoration; SA | Graham Doust RIP Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament |
| Thursday 18th | 9.30am Mass; OLOG After Mass Rosary; OLOG | Margaret Simpson RIP |
| Friday 19th | 10.15am Rosary; SMC 10.30am Adoration; SMC 11am Holy Hour; SA 12pm Service; SA 6pm Mass; HS | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Holy Hour and Rosary Service of Word and Holy Communion Kathleen Savidge RIP |
| Saturday 20th | 3.30pm Confession; SA 4pm Rosary; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 5.30-6.15pm Confession; HS 6.30pm Mass; HS | Patrick Rafter RIP Andy Dowding RIP |
| Sunday 21st January Third Sunday of the Year | 9am Rosary; SA 9.30am Mass; SA 9.30am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS 11am Mass; OLOG | Pray for Peace Teresa Lambley RIP Pam Wilson RIP Mr & Mrs Saverimuthu Rachel Naylor RIP |

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THIS SUNDAY:

Diocese: Sick and Retired Priests Fund

SACRAMENTS

Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation Programme and Faith Journey Group (RCIA), please contact Ceci Li, Faith Formation Coordinator.

Marriage: six months' notice required. Please contact the Parish Office.

Communion to the Sick and Housebound: contact the Parish Office.

Funerals: organised with local funeral directors, please contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment with the Priest.

Confessions: Every first and third Saturday or by request.

Newsletter inserts contact Ceci Li, Faith Formation Coordinator.

HOSPITALS

If you know of anyone in hospital who would like a visit from the chaplain, please call: **QMC:** 0115 9249924 (ext. 83799)

City: 0115 9691169 (ext.837)

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

FOR THE GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH - We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.



PARISH BANK ACCOUNT

Annunciation Rushcliffe RCP
Account Number: 44603560
Sort code: 30-96-18

HS: Holy Spirit; OLOG: Our Lady of Grace; SA: St Anne; SMC: St Margaret Clitherow

This week in the Parish:

- **Children Liturgy** Sunday 14th during the Mass HS, OLOG;
- **After Mass Refreshment** Sunday 14th HS, OLOG, SA and SMC; Wednesday 17th HS; Friday 19th After 12pm Mass SA;
- **Faith Journey Group (RCIA)** Tuesday 16th 7pm HS Social Centre Hall;
- **Confirmation Preparation Session** Wednesday 17th 7pm HS Social Centre Hall;
- **Baby & Toddler Group** Thursday 18th 10am HS Social Centre Hall;
- **First Holy Communion Session** Saturday 20th 6pm HS Social Centre Hall; Sunday 21st 10.30am HS Social Centre Hall;

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Dear friends,

A very blessed Happy New Year!

As we continue to celebrate the new year, we will also be giving thanks to almighty God for the countless blessings he had bestowed upon our new Parish of The Annunciation. As we approach the first anniversary as a Parish, as we reflect on this significant milestone, it fills our hearts with gratitude for the journey we have all been through together. This is just a starting point: in the coming years, we may have different kinds of challenges and changes. To prepare us in embracing the unforeseen changes, we urge your participation to share your voices with us. We will reach out to you through different ways, including Parish Census, After Mass Communication Sessions with the Priests and Feedback Forms.

Your feedback holds great importance, and helps us in creating a blueprint for our parish that enables us to become a more outward-looking missionary Catholic community, which echoes Bishop Patrick's vision for our Diocese.

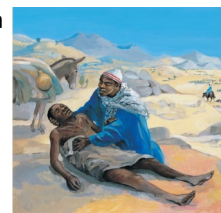
The blueprint cannot be completed without your input, so your participation will be greatly appreciated, as your feedback will be most helpful in shaping our plans for the future of our parish. Please keep this in your prayers.

Stay tuned in for more update in coming newsletters.

God Bless, Fr John

Christian Unity - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024, 18th-25th January Unity among all Christians is a key concern for the Catholic Church. Ecumenism, unity or cooperation with other Christian churches, is about healing and forgiving so we can all work together as a united witness to our shared faith in Christ.

The parable of the Good Samaritan is one of the best known passages of Scripture; it is a story about crossing boundaries that calls our attention to the bonds that unite the whole human family. The chosen theme of the prayer material is "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself" (Lk 10:27). The copy can be downloaded from <https://ctbi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/WPCU-2024-English-pamphlet-Final.pdf>



Let us pray for those who have died recently: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bonnie Teeling RIP who passed away recently. Her Funeral details will follow shortly. Please keep her family in your prayers.

World Day of Peace in 2024 Pope Francis has chosen 'Artificial Intelligence and Peace' as the theme of the World Day of Peace this year. Please join Pope Francis in asking how we can ensure that Artificial Intelligence serves peace not war. Further information can be found on Parish Website.

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Second Sunday of the Year: Prayer is dialogue with God; and every creature, in a certain sense, "dialogues" with God. Within the human being, prayer becomes word, invocation, hymn, poetry... The divine Word is made flesh, and in each person's flesh the word returns to God in prayer.

Sacrament Preparation Programmes are about to kick-off

First Holy Communion - Welcome Mass and Exploring God's House (Parent and Children) on Tuesday 16th January, 6.30-7.30pm at Holy Spirit Church.

Baptism Preparation Course for Baby - The next course will be on Saturday 17th Feb 2024, 11am at Holy Spirit Social Centre Hall. Please contact Parish Office to reserve a place.

Parish Friendship Group Thank you all the friends from Holy Spirit, St Anne and St Margaret Clitherow for making Saturday evening's event such a happy occasion, sharing in friendship and solidarity. Great food, great music provided by the Old Codgers, watch the newsletter for future events, new friends always welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers Meeting - Saturday the 20th January, 10am-12pm at Holy Spirit Social Centre Hall Fr John would like to invite all Eucharistic Ministers to meet and explore how we can better support and connect with our sick and housebound members of our Parish. We look forward to meeting you.

Homes for Ukraine Scheme If you are interested in the Government-backed Ukrainian hosting scheme, we are appealing for residents in Radcliffe on Trent to host a woman with her 10 year old daughter from March 2024 for a commitment of 6 months' minimum. Please contact Jasmine (07780 663 394) or Matthew Foulkes (07948 420 904) for further information.

New lay out of Holy Masses and Services Diary We have redesigned the Holy Masses and Services Diary layout in our newsletter. Your feedback is crucial – share your thoughts with the Parish Office at annunciation@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

Update from our Churches

Holy Spirit ♦ **Baby & Toddler Group - Thursdays during term time 10-11.30am at Social Centre Hall.** Stay and play session for newborns to pre-schoolers with tea, biscuits and friendly company for grown-ups. We have toys for free play, a craft and baby area and a book corner. We also provide drinks and healthy snacks for the children. All are welcome, just turn up. If you want to know more please email hstoddlers@gmail.com or find us on Facebook - Baby & Toddler Group Holy Spirit Church.

St Margaret Clitherow ♦ **Churches Together Keyworth - WEEK OF CHRISTIAN UNITY** Our service this year is being led by members of the Baptist Church. It is being held in the United Reform Church on Nottingham Road at 6.30pm on Sunday 21st January. All are welcome.

CAFOD - Appeal Volunteer The Church relies on people getting involved. Our parish, our community, our world needs you. Could your New Year's resolution be getting more involved in the life of our church? Which aspects of church brings you life or joy? Could you give a bit of time to help those parts flourish?

CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, are looking for people to give some time and join them in their mission. Could you help in our parish, inspiring our church to help build a better world or by visiting our local schools? Maybe you could raise a voice and campaign for justice, or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the area? Could you support local volunteers or share your admin or people skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Roles are flexible to meet your availability, and full training and support are provided. Get in touch with Elizabeth Bonner at elizabeth.bonner1@virginmedia.com.