



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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“God set his Son so that through him the world might be saved” John 3:14-21

Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday

Holy Masses and Services for 10th - 16th March 2024

Date	Service	Intention
Saturday 9th	4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS	Eileen O'Reilley RIP (1 st anniv) Rita Tennant RIP
Sunday 10th Fourth Sunday of Lent	9am Mass; SA 9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS 11am Mass; OLOG	Anne Cowey 80 th Birthday Margaret Allen RIP Maevae Whittaker (For successful Op) Alan Olley RIP
Monday 11th	9.30am Service of Word and Communion, SA	
Tuesday 12th	9.30am Service of Word and Communion; SMC 12pm Funeral Mass; HS	Catherine Winiskill RIP
Wednesday 13th	9.30am Mass; HS	Margaret Lane RIP
Thursday 14th	9.30am Mass; OLOG	John and Patricia Christie RIP
Friday 15th	12pm Service of Word and Communion; SA 6pm Mass; HS	Bernard Steer RIP
Saturday 16th	3.30pm Confessions; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 5.30-6.15pm Confession; HS 6.30pm Mass; HS	Catherine Kitchin RIP Catherine Winiskill RIP
Sunday 17th Fifth Sunday of Lent	9am Mass with Baptism; SA 9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS 11am Mass; OLOG	People of the Parish Luzie Spanovic RIP Graham Doust RIP Brian McKerr RIP

Rosary: Monday 10am SA; Tuesday 9am SMC; Thursday after 9.30am Mass OLOG; Friday 10.15am SMC; Saturday 4pm SA;

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 7pm SA; Friday 10.30am SMC; 11am SA;

This week in the parish:

- **Faith Journey Group (RCIA)** Tuesday 12th 7pm HS Social Centre Hall.
- **Confirmation Preparation Session** Wednesday 13th 7pm HS Social Centre.
- **Baby & Toddler Group** Thursday 14th 10am HS Social Centre Hall.
- **After Mass Refreshment** Tuesday 12th after Mass SMC; Friday 15th after 12pm Mass SA; Sunday 17th HS, OLOG, SA and SMC.
- **First Holy Communion Session** Saturday 16th 6pm HS Social Centre Hall; Sunday 17th 10.30am HS Social Centre Hall.
- **Children Liturgy** Sunday 17th during the Mass HS, OLOG and SA.

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

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SECOND COLLECTION ON 9TH / 10TH MARCH:

The Friary Drop-in Centre



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 new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



PARISH BANK ACCOUNT

Annunciation Rushcliffe RCP

Account Number: 44603560

Sort code: 30-96-18

Happy Mothering Sunday

This coming Sunday we celebrate Mother's Day. The day gives us the opportunity to say, 'Thank You' and we shouldn't need a day like today to remind us of our 'Mothers'. They should always be in our love, thoughts, and prayers. However, it may be a good time for us all to recall the fourth commandment, to honour our Father and Mother. Mother's Day is a day when we spoil our beloved Mothers.

As I reflect on this mothering Sunday, I am reminded of the amazing women I am surrounded by. I am eternally grateful that I was raised and cared for by a strong, selfless, loving and devoted mother; thankful, I had two grandmothers and many aunts and other adult women who guided and supported me throughout my life; I am eternally fortunate that I have five wonderful sisters and appreciative of the incredible female friends that I get to share my life with, as a priest. My priestly ministry is all the richer for the graces and blessings of my female friends.

As I look around our parish of the Annunciation, I see the immense generosity of grandmothers, mothers, and the countless army of women, who are always ready to reach out to those in need. May the Lord truly bless you for your tireless love and care you give to so many.

Let us also remember those women we know and love who are not safe, not cared for and who have been exposed to instances of violence and abuse in all its shapes and forms. The power of this Mothering Sunday is LOVE may all women know that they are loved and cared for, by Jesus and his blessed Mother, let us draw strength from Mary the mother of Jesus and our mother on this Mothering Sunday.

Have a truly blessed day!

Peace, John



Let us pray for those who have died recently: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tony O'Dwyer who passed away recently. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Services and Holy Masses Time during Lent (Refer to the Poster at the church for full details)

Stations of the Cross on Friday

- ◆ 8th Mar: SA - 11.30am; HS - 6.30pm by Claire Jenkins; SMC - 6pm by Flower Group
 - ◆ 15th Mar: SA - 11.30am; HS - 6.30pm by Fr Bruno in Cantonese*; SMC - 7pm by Eucharistic Ministers
- *English version will be projected on the Screen*

Service of Reconciliation

- ◆ Thursday 21st Mar: 7pm HS
 - ◆ Friday 22nd Mar: After 10.30am Mass SA
- ### Palm Sunday 24th Mar
- ◆ Mass 9am SA; SMC; 11am HS; OLOG

Pilgrimage 2024 Join people from around the Diocese of Nottingham for the annual Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Gather together with Bishop Patrick on Saturday 15th June at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham as we seek Our Lady of Walsingham's intercession for an increase in Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life in our Diocese. For more information see the poster at the back of church, or contact Father Neil Peoples 01283 564814 or vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk or Deacon Seamus O'Looskan 0116 251 1437 or seamus.olooskan@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Thank you note from SVP Conference of St Margaret Clitherow and Our Lady of Grace We thank all parishioners for the recent collection of £422.55 plus gift aid. We assure you the money will be put to good use.

Share your story - New Parish Website We are building a new parish website, we're eager to showcase the unique and valuable stories within our parish community. Whether it's a personal testimony, spiritual journey, or a faith-strengthening experience, your stories enrich our parish life and inspire others. Join our online community by sharing your story! Contact the Parish Office or Ceci Li if interested. We're here to assist with any questions. Your willingness to share will strengthen our unity and inspire fellow parishioners. Let's celebrate the diversity of our stories and the common thread that binds us as a community.

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Fourth Sunday of Lent Reflect on how constant prayer was the driving force of the missionary activity of the first Christians. Saint Luke tells us that they "devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers" (Acts 2:42). Today too the Church's life is centred on prayer, which unites us to Christ, and inspires our witness to the Gospel and our charitable service to those in need.

Christ the King Catholic Voluntary Academy, Arnold Christ the King is currently recruiting for a Deputy Headteacher, details of this and other roles at the school and Our lady of Lourdes Trust can be found on the Trust website <https://www.ololcatholicmat.co.uk/work-with-us/>

Update from our Churches

St Anne ◆ **Thank you note from St. Mary's R.O.T. World Day of Prayer committee** They would like to thank St. Anne's World Day of Prayer committee and parish members for their support for this year's service which took place on March 1st. It was lovely to see so many people there!" ◆ **Bereavement Listening Hour** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th March from 11-12pm in the Meeting Room at St Anne. The group meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Whether you are recently bereaved or have suffered the loss of a loved one some time ago, you will be made most welcome.

St Margaret Clitherow ◆ On Friday 22nd March, approximately 24 pilgrims will be arriving at St Margaret Clitherow at the start of the annual Holy Week Pilgrim Cross pilgrimage to Walsingham. They will need feeding. Please sign up on the sheets in the narthex if you are able to help. Vegetarian options will work for everyone. ◆ **Chicks in aid of CAFOD** Any donations of crème eggs (or similar) will be gratefully received. Please leave in your church and they will be collected. Thank you! ◆ **Churches Together Sunday Lent** Service is at 6 pm on March 10th at Stanton Church, Browns Lane. All are welcome.

Dioceses' forthcoming events can be found on the Parish Website 1. Job opportunity: Part-time Choral Director to work in the Diocesan Music Department 2. Men's Retreat at Mount Saint Bernard Abby, Leicestershire 3. Lenten Chamber Concert