



# 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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**‘When Jesus had been baptised and was praying, the heavens were opened.’**

Luke 3:15-22

## The Baptism of the Lord Holy Masses and Services for 11th - 19th January 2025

<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Saturday after Epiphany</b>	6.30pm Mass; HS	Bob Sullivan (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>The Baptism of The Lord</b>	9am Mass; SA  11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG	The People of The Parish Ellen Robinson RIP Wanda and Wincent Beksinski
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Feria</b>	9.30am Service; SA	Service of Word and Communion
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Feria</b>	9.30am Mass; SMC	Imelda McQuaid (1 <sup>st</sup> Year Anniversary)
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Feria</b>	9.30am Mass; HS	Alo Lata
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Feria</b>	No Mass	No Mass
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>St Anthony, abbot</b>	12pm Mass; SA	Katherine 40 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Feria</b>	3.30pm-4.15pm Confessions; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA	Ann Rafter and Patrick Rafter RIP
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Second Sunday of the Year</b>	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS 	James O'Connor RIP Curtis Family The People of The Parish

**Rosary:** Monday 10am SA; Tuesday 9am SMC; Wednesday 9am HS; 9.30am SMC; Friday 10.15am SMC; 11.30am SA; Saturday 4pm SA.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Wednesday 4pm SA; Friday 10.30am SMC; 11am SA; 6.30pm HS.

### **This week in the parish:**

**After Mass Refreshment** Sunday After Mass; SA, SMC, HS, OLOG; Tuesday After Mass/Service, SMC; Wednesday After Mass/Service HS; Friday After Mass/ Service SA.

**Toddler group** Thursday 10am HS.

### **The Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope**

**The Year of the Jubilee** In the Catholic Church, the concept of Jubilee or ‘Holy Year’ was used to declare special years for forgiveness and reconciliation. The Jubilee Year is a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation. A prayer card and a companion booklet (suggested donation £1) is available at the back of the churches. Check our Parish Website for more details:

<https://parishoftheannunciationrushcliffe.co.uk/jubilee-2025/>



*The Jubilee Icon*

Dear Friends,

Welcome home to our Parish of the Annunciation, I hope and pray you have all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! And I pray you are full of promise and hope as we enter this Jubilee Year of grace. A time of hope, a year where we can embrace God's abiding love anew for each one of us and always feel secure in His love, even when we are assailed by the difficulties of life. There are many joys and challenges going on in our parish and I want to thank each of you for your dedication and support. All our Sacramental Programmes are restarting, and I want you to know that you are an inspiration, and yes, I am talking to YOU! You inspire me, without you, there is no Church. You are the body of Christ, you are his feet, his hands, his ears and eyes, you are his mercy, compassion and love in our parish and world. You are a sign of HOPE for others and that's why we need to embrace this year of grace with both hands, why? Because you are a sign of Hope for your sisters and brothers and hopefully, they are a sign of God's love for you.

Talking of signs of HOPE, in this 'Jubilee Year' I have organised a pilgrimage to Rome for the Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis. If you are sixteen years or older and you would like to come on this pilgrimage, please register your interest to me or office staff and I will be in touch with you ASAP. The deadline is the end of January, so I need to know if your interested, there is some financial help for you so please don't be put off by the cost. If anyone would like to support the pilgrimage fund, I would be truly grateful for any support you can give to enable a young person to experience a chance of a

lifetime, witnessing, a Canonisation and walking through the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica in this Jubilee Year!

With a grateful heart for your many beautiful Christmas Cards, gifts and your very kind generosity to both Fr Evarist and I.

Hope Springs Eternal!

Peace

John

**Prayer to the Servant of God Carlo Acutis**

Dear Father,  
Who has given us the ardent testimony of the young Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, who made the Eucharist the core of his life and strength of his daily commitments so that everybody may love You above all else, let him soon be counted among the Blessed and Saints in Your Church.

Confirm my Faith  
nurture my Hope  
strengthen my Charity  
in the image of young Carlo,  
who, growing in these virtues,  
now lives with You.

Grant me the grace I really need....

I trust in you, Father, and your Beloved Son Jesus,  
in the Virgin Mary, our Dearest Mother,  
and in the intervention of Your Servant, Carlo Acutis.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be... Amen

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Carlo Acutis

Patron of Youth and the Internet

*"Always to be united with Jesus, that is my life's programme"*

**Our Lady of Grace** ♦ **Fairtrade's update** Happy New Year everyone. I would like to begin by thanking all those who support our Fairtrade stall. The Fairtrade premium that our suppliers receive, on top of a fair price for their goods, has a massive positive impact on their communities. Additionally the financial donations that many parishioners give means that Fairtrade products can be bought and donated to our food bank collections, thus helping struggling families locally too. The next stall will be held this Sunday the 12th of January and I will look forward to seeing you then. Thank you. Lynn Harrison

**SPUC White Flower** the annual White Flower appeal on behalf of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will take place during all Masses next weekend. If you would like to get involved with the local Nottingham branch of SPUC, contact David.Paton@nottingham.ac.uk for more information.

**Churches Together Keyworth** There will be a service to mark the start of the WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY at St Mary Magdalene, Keyworth on Sunday January 19th at 6pm. All are welcome.

**Chaplaincy newsletter: The Becket's Good News.** Highlights from the chaplaincy team at the Becket: <https://www.becketonline.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/35/2024/12/Volume-8-Advent-Good-News-Newsletter.pdf>

**A brand-new Young Adult Formation Course run by the Diocese of Nottingham** If you would like to deepen your faith, grow in community with other 18-35 years olds as well as engage more fully in your parish then the brand-new Young Adult Formation Course run by the Diocese of Nottingham is the course for you. For more information contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk or sign up at: <https://forms.office.com/e/9qvH5SjRH>

**Prayers** As we start the New Year, please pray for all the people of our parish, especially those in hospital or having treatment, those whose treatment has been cancelled or postponed, and those who are in nursing homes, or being cared for at home. We also remember those who have died recently, and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.



## Greeting from Michael Furey, Pastoral Placement during January

Dear Parishioners of the Annunciation, Rushcliffe,

My name is Michael Furey, and I am a student for the priesthood for the Diocese of Nottingham. I am currently in my third year at St Mary's College, Oscott in Birmingham. I am originally from Derby and my home parish is St Joseph's in the city centre, where I was baptised, made my first holy communion and was confirmed. I attended St Joseph's primary school and St Benedict secondary school.

I first thought about the possibility of becoming a priest when I became an altar server but forgot about the idea when I began secondary school. However, the idea of priesthood probably never left me completely and then when I was fourteen the possibility came back to me and the thought of becoming a priest has never left me since. After leaving school I had a few different jobs, then in 2021 I applied for the formation programme for our diocese and was accepted by Bishop Patrick and sent to the Royal English College of St Alban's in Valladolid, Spain. This is a college where students go for their first year of seminary studies to focus predominantly on their spiritual and human development before proceeding to their next seminary to study subjects like philosophy and theology.



I have previously had pastoral placements in parishes in Lincoln, Nottingham, Leicester and Glossop working with schools, a university and a prison. I have also done a separate placement in Edinburgh working with adults with learning disabilities in residential homes. At Oscott I have a weekly placement at George Eliot Hospital in Nuneaton visiting patients and their families on the wards bringing them Holy Communion, praying with them and getting to know them. Myself and other seminarians work alongside a team of hospital chaplains to provide whatever help we can to those who are patients, relatives and those who work in the hospital.

I am very grateful to Father John and Father Evarist for agreeing to host and mentor me for this placement and I look forward very much to meeting you all and spending the month of January with you and getting to know the people in West Bridgford, Cotgrave, Keyworth and Radcliffe-on-Trent.

Michael J. Furey.

**Second Collection for Sick and Retired Priests Fund:** There will be a second collection this weekend, 11th/12th January, in aid of the Sick and Retired Priests Fund. Donations to this fund are to provide a sum for the priests of the Diocese who are currently in service, so that an annual grant can be paid to them when they retire. They are also used to support these priests if they are sick and unable to work for any reason. These amounts are needed in addition to those collected by the Retired Priests Appeal, which were primarily for those who have already retired, and also in respect of past service for those currently working. Thank you.

**Every Day Evangelising – Explore sharing your faith** Every Day Evangelising – Explore sharing your faith Join Bishop Patrick on Saturday 25th January (10.00am-3:30pm) at Holy Trinity Parish, Newark, for a day focused on how we can share our faith in simple ways every day! The day will be led by Deacon David Palmer (Birmingham Archdiocese) who will help us develop ways to live our baptismal calling to be Jesus' ambassadors in the world. There is no cost to the day but please bring a packed lunch. Book your place here: [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/every-day-evangelising](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/every-day-evangelising)

**Prayer and Life Workshops** The Diocese is offering a course to help people grow in their prayer life this spring. The course, Prayer and Life Workshops, will help individuals learn and practise a variety of ways of praying, bringing each person closer to Christ, finding healing, becoming more familiar with the Word of God, and helping live faith through the challenges of life. The course begins with a taster session on Thursday 16th January with the first weekly session taking place on Thursday 23rd January. All sessions will be at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Derby, DE3 9GE, between 7.00pm and 9.00pm.

On Saturday 25th January, any young adults (18-35) are warmly invited to join Joel's Bar for a Day Retreat at Holy Trinity Church, Newark. The day starts at 3.00pm with Mass, followed by a time of worship, supper, a talk and ending in worship. To buy a ticket for just £10, visit: <https://linktr.ee/yaminthedon>

## THE DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE IS LOOKING TO APPOINT A BUSINESS MANAGER

The role of Business Manager will provide managerial oversight and hands on control of all aspects of financial management and reporting, people management and other resources such as the facilities in Derbyshire. The role is for 37.5 hours per week, with a salary in the range £38k-£42k. The deadline for applications is Friday 31st January, and more details can be found on the poster, or at: [www.ndcys.com/job-vacancies/](http://www.ndcys.com/job-vacancies/)

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**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) or email: [contactachaplain@nuh.nhs.uk](mailto:contactachaplain@nuh.nhs.uk)

### 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 at Holy Spirit and St Anne before Mass or by request.

**Newsletter inserts** contact Ceci Li, Faith Formation Coordinator. Please send your insert by Wednesday noon.

### DONATIONS



We appreciate any donation you wish to give by cash, cheque or via online banking. For the purposes of setting up a regular donation via your online banking, the parish bank details are:  
**Annunciation Rushcliffe RCP Account Number: 44603560 Sort code: 30-96-18**  
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