



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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‘By your endurance you will gain your lives.’

Luke 14:1-11

**DIOCESAN JUBILEE OF THE POOR ♦ WORLD DAY OF THE POOR ♦
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - YEAR C**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for your prayers — they have truly helped me. My lung infection has improved, and I am planning a gradual return to my duties. My doctor has advised me to ensure I get sufficient rest and manage stress carefully.

Therefore, while I am keeping my diary open, I will also make sure to allow enough time for proper rest. If you would like to check my schedule or arrange a meeting, please contact the parish office.

Thank you once again for your continued prayers, kindness, and understanding.

Peace, John

Special Novena Mass Intentions in November — Praying for Our Faithful Departed

Please write the names of deceased family members and loved ones you would like remembered and, if you wish to make an offering, place it in the envelope, **they are available at the back of each church**. Completed envelopes can be returned via the collection box, the Parish Office, or handed directly to the priest.

All names will be placed on the altar and remembered at the Novena Masses throughout November.

November Remembrance - Honouring Our departed Loved Ones at the Graveside or at Home

To support our parish family in remembering loved ones who have died, we have prepared Memorial Prayer Packs for use at the graveside or at home. Each pack has been lovingly prepared by the parish and blessed by our priest, to accompany you in prayer and remembrance.

Each pack includes: A prayer card, a candle and a small bottle of holy water. The packs will be available at the back of each church, Parishioners are invited to light the candle, pray the prayer, and bless their loved ones' graves with holy water. *Voluntary donation (suggested £5) gratefully appreciated.*

In addition, there will be a memorial service at 11.30am on Sunday 16th November at Keyworth Burial Ground for parishioners and family members interred there.

Thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to honour our loved ones and pray together as a






Congratulations and Prayers We warmly congratulate Louis, who will be baptised and receive his First Holy Communion this Sunday at Holy Spirit. May God bless and strengthen him as he begins his new life in Christ. We also pray for our eight enquirers and candidates who will take part in the Rite of Welcome this Sunday at Holy Spirit and next Sunday at Our Lady of Grace. May they continue to grow in faith and feel the loving support of our parish community as they journey towards full communion with the Church. Thank you for your continued prayers, support, and encouragement!

The Annual Emmanuel House Christmas Quiz will take place on Friday 21st November at 7:30 p.m. in the Holy Spirit Social Centre. Entry will be by donation. We look forward to seeing you there.

Save the Date for CAFOD Events ♦ The Old Codgers are back by popular demand Dance the night away with classic songs from down the years at our family friendly event. Sat 22nd November 2025 7.30pm – 11pm. Bar Open and Brilliant raffle. Entrance fee is a donation to CAFOD. ♦ **CAFOD Advent Fair** Please join us after 11am Mass on Sunday 30th November, in the Holy Spirit Social Centre for mince pies, craft and jewellery stalls, books and toys, Fair-Trade goods, a tombola and a wonderful raffle. All welcome. Proceeds will support CAFOD's campaigns to support people in need, powered by Joy, Love, Peace and Hope. ♦ **CAFOD Christmas Hamper Raffle** Christmas Hamper plus other prizes, ticket are on sale in all four churches throughout November, the raffle will be drawn on Sunday 30th November at CAFOD's Advent Fair in the Holy Spirit Social Centre. Your support could open a door to Hope this Advent.

Second Collection for the SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society) on 15th/16th November The SVP's aim is to tackle poverty in all its forms through the provision of practical assistance to those in need. Please give generously to our second collection so this work can continue.

Holy Masses and Services for 15th to 23rd November 2025

Saturday 15th November Feria	11am Parish Requiem Mass of Remembrance; HS  3.30 - 4.15pm Confessions; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 6pm - 6.15pm Confessions; HS 6.30pm Mass; HS	For our beloved departed Thanksgiving Annie and Ernie Cauldwell RIP (Anniversary)
Sunday 16th November Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG Baptism, Rite of Welcome	Christine Marquina RIP Loughlin Hickey RIP Novena Dead List John and Mary Conlin and Pat Young
Monday 17th November St Hugh of Lincoln, Patron of our Diocese	9.30am Mass; SA	Jimmy, Emily and Wing Yee's Health
Tuesday 18th November Feria	9.30am Mass; SMC	Agnes Kaniki RIP
Wednesday 19th November Feria	9.30am Mass; HS	Ivana Cahill, birthday Intentions
Thursday 20th November Feria	No Mass	
Friday 21st November The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	12pm Mass; SA 7.30pm Mass; HS	Novena Dead List For Daniel and family
Saturday 22nd November St Cecilia, virgin and martyr	4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS	Christine Marquina RIP The People of the Parish
Sunday 23rd November Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG 1pm Baptism ; HS	Novena Dead List For all families, for strength and faith Late Mark Los, beloved son, brother, uncle, friend The People of the Parish Heidi Ann Coe

Rosary Monday 10am SA; Tuesday 9am SMC; Wednesday 9am HS; 9am SMC; Thursday 7pm HS; Friday 10am SMC, 11.30am SA; Saturday 4pm SA.

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

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.

Holy Spirit ♦ We are planning a Parish Church Cleaning Day at the end of November and early December, coordinated by Alice Fung and Theresa Brennan, to prepare our church for Advent and Christmas. If you are able to assist with the Church Cleaning, please speak to Alice or Theresa after Mass, or contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity and support in keeping our parish welcoming and beautiful.



Our Lady of Grace ♦ On November 23rd Our Lady of Grace Church will be celebrating 35 wonderful years since the foundations of our beautiful church were first laid. We will be holding a Mass of Celebration followed by refreshments. All are welcome!

St Anne ♦ St Anne's Local Church Group will be meeting on Monday the 17th of November at 7pm. All are welcome!

Appeal for Volunteers – Catering Team Our Parish Catering Team is looking for a few more volunteers to join their friendly group. The team helps with parish hospitality in supporting parish events and celebrations, and helping to create a warm, welcoming atmosphere for everyone. May help with preparing and serving tea & coffee, coordinate food sharing...etc.



If you enjoy working with others and sharing your time and talents in this way, please consider joining the team — your support would be greatly appreciated!

To volunteer or find out more, please speak to team leads Angela Beves (St Anne's), Carmel Zawodniak (St Margaret Clitherow) and Mary Buxton (St Anne's) after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives (PSRs) We are pleased to share that three newly appointed PSRs, Victoria Ncube (Holy Spirit), Paula Vyze (Our Lady of Grace) and Simon Nelson (St Anne's), who have completed their recruitment process and are now actively serving in their roles. We thank them for their commitment to ensuring that our parish communities remain safe and welcoming for everyone. Their contact details can be found on the parish website, in the newsletter, and on the notice board at each church. Please continue to keep them in your prayers and support their important work.

Thank You, Tim Connery – For Your Dedicated Service We extend our heartfelt thanks to **Tim Connery** for his many years of devoted service — in coordinating the Readers' Rota and supporting reader training at Holy Spirit. Tim has also generously given his time to help with tea and coffee after Mass and to support our community food bank. His dedication and kindness have been a true blessing to our parish community. As Tim now steps down from his role, we offer our sincere gratitude and prayers for him. May God bless him abundantly for all he has done in service to others.



Celebrate the seasons of Advent and Christmas

The Schedule of Masses and Services for Advent and Christmas is now available. Please refer to the parish website and the posters on the notice boards at each church for full details.

To support our priests during the busy Christmas season and to ensure their wellbeing — especially with Christmas Day falling in the middle of the week — there will be a temporary adjustment to the weekday Mass schedule.

From Thursday, 26 December 2025, to Wednesday, 7 January 2026, weekday Masses will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m.

These changes have been thoughtfully made to care for our priests and to support them during this joyful yet demanding time. We kindly ask for your understanding and cooperation.

For any enquiries, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support and prayers.



PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMMES – ENROL NOW! Closing on next Sunday, 23rd November

Enrolments are now open for our Parish Sacramental Preparation Programmes. If you are a parishioner and your child is ready to prepare for the sacraments we warmly invite you to register. Let us accompany your family in growing deeper in faith and share in the joy of these sacred milestones.

- **First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion** (For Children who are in Year 4 or above).
- **Sacrament of Confirmation** (For young people who are in Year 9 or above)

To learn more about the programme and how to register, please visit the parish website or see the poster on the church notice board: <https://parishoftheannunciationrushcliffe.co.uk/sacraments/eucharist/> or <https://parishoftheannunciationrushcliffe.co.uk/sacraments/confirmation/>

For more information, please contact Ceci Li, Faith Formation Coordinator.

Let us pray for those who have died recently With deep sadness, we inform you of the passing of our beloved parishioners **Mrs Kathleen Mary Woodcock, Mr Francesco Pietrantonio and Mr Candido Ratti de Sousa.**

- Mrs Kathleen Mary Woodcock RIP Requiem Mass on Wednesday 26th November at 10am at HS
- Mr Francesco Pietrantonio RIP Funeral Service 27th November 2025 at Gedling Crematorium
- Mr Candido Ratti de Sousa RIP Requiem Mass on Monday 24th November at 1.30pm at Holy Spirit

Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We also remember those whose anniversary occurs around this time. May they rest in peace.



Upcoming Events and Job Vacancies in the Diocese of Nottingham and Nearby Parishes

Please visit our parish website for full details: <https://www.parishoftheannunciationrushcliffe.co.uk/post/upcoming-events-in-the-diocese-of-nottingham-and-nearby-parishes>. You will find information on Advent preparation retreats led by Fr. Chris Thomas and the Jesuit Institute; A Christmas Carol Service at Saint Teresa's Catholic Church Nottingham (NG8 3EP); A part-time Parish Administrator vacancy at the Parish of All Saints (NG8 3EP).

As Advent approaches you are warmly invited to take some quiet time for reflection, prayer, and renewal with **Father Chris Thomas**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Liverpool, reflecting on the **Figures of Advent**: the prophets, Mary, Joseph, and John the Baptist, whose faith, courage, and hope prepared the way for Christ's coming. The Retreat is being held at the Presentation Sisters Convent, Chesterfield Road, Matlock DE4 3FT on **Saturday 29th November** between 10.00am and 4.00pm. A suggestion donation is £10, bring a packed lunch. For more details email associates@pbvmengland.co.uk

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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

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: Please 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 please 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.

♦ **Set up a regular donation via your online banking**

Parish bank details: **Annunciation Rushcliffe RCP** **Account Number: 44603560** **Sort code: 30-96-18**

♦ **Gift Aid:** If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider to gift aid your donation, complete the Gift Aid

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♦ **Donation Envelopes Available** They are now available at the back of the church. If you are eligible for Gift Aid, please fill in the required information on the envelope to ensure your donation can go further.

♦ The new digital donation system - DONA is up and running at Holy Spirit.

Scan the QR code or visit this website
<https://donate.mydona.com/parish-of-the-annunciation> to
make your contributions online.

