



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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'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world'

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A

John 1:29-34

Mass Schedule Update and Prayer Request for Fr John's health

Dear all,

Thank you so much for your continued prayers, love, and support for Fr John. We are truly grateful for the many caring messages and expressions of concern we have received. Your kindness has been a great comfort to Fr John and to his family during this difficult time.

We would like to share that Fr John is still suffering from a relapse of his lung infection. At present, he is experiencing persistent coughing and difficulty breathing, and he is unable to speak without coughing. He will remain in hospital for medical treatment until further notice.

We have also received many requests from those who would like to visit Fr John in hospital. At this time, we kindly ask for your patience. We will stay in close communication with his family and the hospital, and we will keep everyone informed as soon as Fr John is well enough to receive visitors.

In the meantime, we humbly ask you to please continue keeping Fr John in your prayers.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Temporary changes to our parish schedule:

- There will be no weekday Masses during this period.
- A Service of the Word and Communion may be held on weekdays, subject to volunteer availability.
- We would like to express our sincere gratitude for the support and assistance we have received from the Bishop's Office and the Nottingham Deanery during this time. With their help, we are pleased to confirm that Mass on Sunday 18th January and Sunday 25th January will go ahead as scheduled.
- Sunday and weekend Mass arrangements in February may vary depending on the availability of a supply priest.

We are actively monitoring the situation and will keep you informed of any updates via email and the parish website.

Thank you for your continued prayers, patience, and understanding during this time.

★ Greeting from Fr Evarist ★

Dear friends, I'm now home in the village, staying in my home parish, and the network connection is very poor. Many greetings from my family and friends. They send their love and appreciation, and they are very thankful for all your kindness and support.

The only sad thing is that I still have not received some of my luggage.

I will share some photos with you when we distribute the clothes to the children. Thank you again for your generous donation. I miss you all very much. Thank you, and God bless you. Fr Evarist (Tanzania)

The First Holy Communion Programme will begin this weekend, and we expect increased attendance at Mass. Please note that parking at **Holy Spirit** is very limited.

We kindly ask for your patience and cooperation by allowing extra time for arrival and, where possible, parking a little further away. The car park will be extremely busy, and drop-offs may create safety concerns.

Thank you for your understanding and for helping us keep everyone safe.

Retiring Collection

SPUC White Flower Appeal The White Flower Appeal and retiring collection on behalf of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will take place on 17th/18th January, raising funds to support the protection of unborn children and vulnerable mothers. If you would like to get involved with the local Nottingham branch of SPUC, contact David.Paton@nottingham.ac.uk for more information.

Let us pray for those who have died recently With deep sadness, we inform you of the passing of our beloved parishioner Olivia Mary Watkins. Olivia's Funeral Mass is on Friday 23rd January 10.30am at Holy Spirit; the reception of her body into Holy Spirit Church is on Thursday 22nd January 5pm. Please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We also remember those whose anniversary occurs around this time. May they rest in peace.



Holy Masses and Services for 17th to 25th January 2026

Saturday 17th January St Anthony, abbot	11am Baptism ; SMC 3.30 - 4.15pm Confessions; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 6pm - 6.15pm Confessions; HS 6.30pm Mass; HS	Eli Mark Capper Jennifer Jennings RIP Patricia and Vincent Livesey RIP
Sunday 18th January Second Sunday of the Year	9am Mass; SA 9am Mass; SMC Baptism (during the Mass) ; SMC 11am Mass; HS 11am Mass; OLOG	A Private Intention Martin Henning RIP Beatrice and Fergus Goulding Chrissie Morgan RIP The People of the Parish
Monday 19th January Feria	9.30am Service of the Word and Communion ; SA 10am Rosary ; SA	
Tuesday 20th January Feria	9am Rosary ; SMC 9.30am Service of the Word and Communion ; SMC 9.30am Service of the Word and Communion ; OLOG	
Wednesday 21st January St Agnes, virgin and Martyr	9am Rosary ; SMC 9am Rosary ; HS 9.30am Service of the Word and Communion ; HS 4pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ; SA	
Thursday 22nd January Feria	No Service 5pm Reception ; HS 7pm Rosary for Vocations to Religious Life; HS	Olivia Mary Watkins RIP
Friday 23rd January Feria	10am Rosary ; SMC 10.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ; SMC 11am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ; SA 11.30am Rosary ; SA 12pm Service of Word and Communion ; SA 10.30am Requiem ; HS 4.30pm Rosary ; OLOG	Olivia Mary Watkins RIP
Saturday 24th January St Francis de Sales, bishop and doctor	4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS	The People of The Parish Victor and Paul Drake RIP
Sunday 25th January Third Sunday of the Year	9am Mass; SA 9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS 11am Mass; OLOG	For Fr John Martin Curtis Family Tom and Louise Shepherd RIP; Peter Shepherd and John Toder RIP Michael McKerr RIP

The Service of the Word and Communion, Rosary and Adoration schedule may vary depending on the availability of volunteers to lead the service.

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 ♦ **Prayers for Vocations.** Thursday evenings next to Our Lady's chapel 7 pm at Holy Spirit church.
♦ **Appeal for Sunday Mass Greeters** We are looking for volunteers to serve as Greeters at Sunday Mass, offering a warm welcome to parishioners and visitors. If you can help, even occasionally, please contact the parish office. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

St Margaret Clitherow ♦ **CHURCHES TOGETHER KEYWORTH** The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity starts on Sunday 18th January with a service at Keyworth Methodist Church at 6pm. Do come, all are welcome.

CAFOD Quiz We are pleased to announce our annual quiz to be held on Saturday 7th February, 7.30 for 8pm, there will be a bar and raffle, come along for a fun night out.

Upcoming Events in the Diocese of Nottingham and Nearby Parishes Please visit our parish website (<https://www.parihoftheannunciationrushcliffe.co.uk/post/upcoming-events-in-the-diocese-of-nottingham-and-nearby-parishes>) for full details about:

♦ Diocesan formation pathways for catechists - Discipleship Catechesis (six sessions) exploring key themes and subjects in the Catholic faith. ♦ A Gregorian Chant Day will be hosted on Saturday 14th February Saint Mary's parish, Loughborough