



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 is found by his parents sitting among the teachers’

Luke 2:41-52

Feast of the Holy Family

Holy Masses and Services for 28th December 2024 - 5th January 2025

Date	Mass/Service	
Saturday 28th December The Holy Innocents, Martyrs	6.30pm Mass; HS	Donal Foley
Sunday 29th December The Holy Family	9am Mass; SA  11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG	The People of The Parish Carmel McNally RIP Henryk and Margaret Kolasa
Monday 30th December Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas	11am Mass; SA	Thanksgiving for the Life of Tom McDermott RIP
Tuesday 31st December Seventh day within the Octave of Christmas	11am Mass; SMC	Roz Marshall RIP
Wednesday 1st January Mary, The Holy Mother of God	11am Mass; HS	For John, Patrick and Anne Cassidy RIP
Thursday 2nd January Sts Basil, the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and doctors	11am Mass; HS	Fr John Martin's Intentions
Friday 3rd January Christmas Feria	11am Mass; HS	Repose of the Soul of Maria Mulvenna RIP
Saturday 4th January Christmas Feria Epiphany of The Lord	3.30pm-4.15pm Confessions; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA	Wilfrid and Ellen Martin RIP
Sunday 5th January Epiphany of the Lord	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS 	The People of The Parish Imelda McQuaid RIP Mary Jahina RIP

Rosary: Monday 11.30am SA; Tuesday 9am SMC; Wednesday 9.30am SMC; 10.30am HS; Friday 10.15am SMC; Saturday 4pm SA.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 10.30am SMC.

This week in the parish:

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

The Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope - Jubilee Prayer

God our Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, awaken in us this Jubilee Year a missionary heart for the coming of your Kingdom. May the gift of your grace transform us, Pilgrims of Hope, into your missionary disciples, blessed with the gifts and talents you give us. Strengthen us to share our Saviour's message of love, joy, and peace with all the people we meet this year, so that we may help build up your Kingdom on earth. To you our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be glory and praise forever and ever. Amen







The Jubilee Icon



‘We have come from the east to worship the king ’ Matthew 2:1-12

Epiphany of the Lord

Holy Masses and Services for 4th - 12th January 2025

Date	Mass/Service	
Saturday 4th January Christmas Feria Epiphany of The Lord	3.30pm-4.15pm Confessions; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA	Wilfrid and Ellen Martin RIP
Sunday 5th January Epiphany of the Lord	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS 	The People of The Parish Imelda McQuaid RIP Mary Jahina RIP
Monday 6th January Monday after Epiphany	11am Service of Word and Communion ; SA	Service of Word and Communion
Tuesday 7th January Tuesday after Epiphany	11am Mass; SMC	Martin McQuaid Intentions
Wednesday 8th January Wednesday after Epiphany	11am Mass; HS	Anna Corry
Thursday 9th January Thursday after Epiphany	No Mass	No Mass
Friday 10th January Friday after Epiphany	11am Service of Word and Communion ; SA	Service of Word and Communion
Saturday 11th January Saturday after Epiphany	6.30pm Mass; HS	Bob Sullivan (1 st Anniversary)
Sunday 12th January The Baptism of The Lord	9am Mass; SA  11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG	The People of The Parish Ellen Robinson RIP Wanda and Wincent Beksinski

Rosary: Monday 11.30am SA; Tuesday 9am SMC; Wednesday 10.30am HS; 9.30am SMC; Friday 10.15am SMC; 10.30am SA; Saturday 4pm SA.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 4pm SA; Friday 10.30am SMC; 10am SA.

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 Midday Mass SA.
- **Toddler Group** Thursday 10am; HS.

Pastoral Placement of a Seminarian, Michael Furey We are delighted to announce that Seminarian Michael will join us for his pastoral placement this coming January. During this time, he will live with and shadow me, gaining hands-on experience in pastoral ministry. Michael’s placement will take place from 4th to 29th January. Let us extend to him our warmest welcome and unwavering support as he embarks on this meaningful journey.

School admissions to Catholic Primary Academies (Reception class) - children born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021.

The deadline for submitting applications for a school place is 15th January 2025. Application forms are available on ‘home’ Local Authority websites. For every Catholic school application where a child is to be considered and ranked under a faith criterion there should also be a supplementary information form, completed and returned to the school by the deadline; these forms are available from the LA and the school. Applicants must also include the supporting evidence as required with this form, eg baptism certificate (photocopies acceptable; contact the parish of baptism for a copy if needed, in good time). Failure to supply the required supporting evidence will mean the child is ranked in a lower criterion, which may affect chances of a place.

Dear Friends,

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to you all for your beautiful Christmas cards, the many gifts, and the generous offerings you gave to us. Your warmth and kindness throughout the year have touched our hearts deeply, and we are truly grateful. This season reminds us of the peace, hope, and love that come with the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. As we celebrate His birth and reflect on the blessings of the past year, we are filled with gratitude for your support, participation, and love, which strengthen our parish family.



We are especially thankful to the students and staff of Becket and St. Edmund Campion School for their invaluable contributions to the life of our parish. Your dedication and commitment make a significant difference, and we are so proud of you all.

Let us embrace the spirit of giving and compassion this season, reaching out to those in need and sharing the love of Christ with everyone.

We wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year filled with joy, peace, and love. May Almighty God bless you all.

With gratitude and blessings, Fr Evarist and Fr John

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY - A special blessing for your home The Church has a custom of blessing homes on the Solemnity of the Epiphany (5th January this year, although usually 6th January) and the weeks following. Family and friends gather to ask God's blessing on their homes and those who live in or visit the home. It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrows.



What do you need? A leaflet for the Blessing of Homes at Epiphany 2025 and a piece of blessed chalk. These will be available during the weekend of December 28th and 29th. Please approach the greeters to collect your leaflet and blessed chalk.

Dear Friends, what does it take keep a Parish running?

An army of dedicated volunteers!

We are blessed with so many individuals who give their time and talents to make our parish a thriving, welcoming, and vibrant community. Here are just some of the incredible contributions made by our parishioners:

♥ Welcomers ♥ Collectors ♥ Counters ♥ CAFOD ♥ SVP ♥ Readers ♥ Musicians ♥ Altar Servers
♥ Extraordinary Ministers ♥ Charitable Fundraising ♥ Friendship Group ♥ Fairtrade ♥ Warm Places
♥ Enquiry Class-RCIA (Faith Journey Group) ♥ Flower Arrangers ♥ Church Cleaners ♥ Social Committee
♥ Caterers ♥ After Mass Refreshment ♥ Catechists for the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation and Holy Communion, Confirmation and Marriage preparation ♥ Citizen UK ♥ Justice and Peace
♥ Churches Together ♥ Prayer of Intercession Writers ♥ Gardeners ♥ Maintenance/Health and Safety
♥ Parish Mission Group ♥ The Hall Management Team ♥ Finance Committee ♥ Local Church Group
♥ The Youth Team ♥ Scouts, Cubs, Rainbows, Brownies and Beavers ♥ Baby & Toddler Group ♥
The various Prayer Services ♥ Holy Hour ♥ Praying for Vocations ♥ our Sick and Housebound ♥
Sacristans ♥ Bereavement Group ♥ Repository stores ♥ Safe Guarding Reps ♥ Aid to the Church in Need
♥ School Chaplains ♥ Schools Primary and Secondary, your generous offering that you give to all of the different appeals we make.

This is what it takes to run a Parish—an enormous team of volunteers fuelled by goodwill and dedication!

Fr. Evarist and I want to pay tribute to each and every one of you who contribute so much to the life of our four churches under the patronage of The Parish of the Annunciation. Your service to God and His Church ensures that our parish remains a place of faith, community, and love.

Your volunteering has been a great source of encouragement and joy. As we continue to celebrate the birth of Christ, Fr Evarist and I wish you and your loved ones a very blessed and happy Christmas. May the choicest blessings of the Christ Child accompany you through the great Jubilee Year 2025.

Peace and blessings, Fr. John and Fr. Evarist



HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTERNATIONS AND HIS MESSAGE FOR THE WORLD DAY OF PEACE

Please visit our parish website for the details.

EVERY DAY EVANGELISING – EXPLORE SHARING YOUR FAITH JOIN BISHOP PATRICK

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

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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: 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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