



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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‘They left everything and followed him.’

Luke 5:1-11

Fifth Week in Ordinary Time Jubilee for the Sick, and for Health Care Workers

Holy Masses and Services for 8th to 16th February 2025

Saturday 8th February Feria	4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS	David and Margaret McCartney RIP Special Intention
Sunday 9th February Fifth Sunday of the Year	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG	For the Intentions of Gill Atkins Chris Lilie RIP The People of The Parish Piera Onesta RIP
Monday 10th February St Scholastica, virgin	9.30am Mass; SA	Thanksgiving for Recovery of Christy Angelo
Tuesday 11th February Feria	9.30am Mass; SMC 11.30am <i>Funeral Mass</i> ; HS	Stephen McKiernan (Healing Mental Health Problems) Malachy McNulty RIP
Wednesday 12th February Feria	9.30am Mass; HS	Hannah Evans
Thursday 13th February Feria	No Mass	No Mass
Friday 14th February Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe	12pm Mass; SA 7.30pm Mass; HS	For the Rogan Family Tim Conlon
Saturday 15th February Feria	4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS	Tony Crump RIP Vera Kelly RIP
Sunday 16th February Sixth Sunday of the Year	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG	The People of The Parish Curtis Family For Agnes Kaniki RIP Wanda and Wincent Beksinski

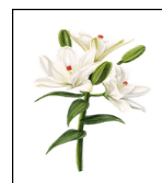
Rosary: Monday 10am SA; Tuesday 9am SMC; Wednesday 9am HS; 9.30am SMC; Friday 10.15am SMC; 11.30am SA; Saturday 4pm SA.

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

This week in the parish:

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

Let us pray for those who have died recently: With deep sadness, we inform you of the passing of our beloved parishioners Hugh Farrelly, Jean Elizabeth Oliver, Mary Lyons and Mal McNulty. Mal's Funeral Mass is on Tuesday 11th February, 11.30am at Holy Spirit. Jean's Funeral is on Monday 17th February, 11.30am at Holy Spirit. Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We also remember those whose anniversary



Second Collection for the SVP on 15th / 16th February 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.

Parish Collections in January 1st collections : £3882.08 | Sick and Retired Priests fund : £847.65 |
World Leprosy Day : £846.41

Dear Friends,

***“Hope Does Not Disappoint” (Rom 5:5);
But Strengthens Us, in Times of Trial.***

We are celebrating the 33rd World Day of the Sick in the Jubilee Year 2025, in which the Church invites us to become **“pilgrims of hope”**. The word of God accompanies us and offers us, in the words of Saint Paul, an encouraging message: **“Hope does not disappoint” (Rom 5:5); indeed, it strengthens us in times of trial.**

I know that many of our parishioners are struggling with health issues of one kind or another; and in those moments we may feel very alone or afraid. The power of sickness can often burden us to the point of despair. Our Faith in the person of Jesus can sometimes be like the Apostles’, we question, we doubt, why is he not calming the waves of the waters in my life? where is Jesus in my time of need?

Pope Francis gives us three points to consider:

1. **Encounter.** The Kingdom of God has come near to you. Experience the closeness and compassion of God. Sickness, then, becomes an occasion for a transformative encounter, the discovery of a solid rock to which we can hold fast amid the tempests of life, an experience that, even at great cost, makes us all the stronger because it teaches us that we are not alone.
2. **Gift.** More than anything else, suffering makes us aware that hope comes from the Lord. It is thus, first and foremost, a gift to be received and cultivated, by remaining “faithful to the faithfulness of God”
3. **Sharing.** Places of suffering are frequently also places of sharing and mutual enrichment. How often, at the bedside of the sick, do we learn to hope! How often, by our closeness to those who suffer, do we learn to have faith! How often, when we care for those in need, do we discover love! We realize that we are “angels” of hope and messengers of God for one another, all of us together: whether patients, physicians, nurses, family members, friends, priests, men and women religious, no matter where we are, whether in the family or in clinics, nursing homes, hospitals or medical centres. May we be, **“a hymn to human dignity, a song of hope”** (*Spes Non Confundit*, 11).

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our petitions in our necessities,
but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Pray for Us

Our Lady of Grace ♦ **Fairtrade/ethical stall** Hello Everyone, I would like to bring to your attention a change in the date of the next Fairtrade/ Ethical stall. The newsletter last week said it would be this Sunday, but I have changed it to next Sunday the 16th of February now that I know there will be a mass here at Our Lady of Grace. If however you would like to purchase anything today then please do come and ask me before or after mass. Thank you. Lynn Harrison.

St Anne ♦ **Children’s Liturgy at St Anne - weekly at Sunday 9.00 Mass.** We have dedicated catechists, but we need more children to join! Parents, encourage your little ones to come along—we would love to welcome them!

♦ **Katherine enjoying her. 40th birthday party with friends at St Anne**



Urgent: Parking Issues at Holy Spirit on Sundays We have received numerous serious complaints from our neighbours regarding parishioners blocking driveways during Sunday Mass. This behaviour is unacceptable and disrespectful to those who live in the community. If this continues we risk damaging our reputation and facing further consequences. Please do not block driveways under any circumstances. Be responsible, be considerate, and park legally. Please be mindful and respectful - your cooperation is not just appreciated, it is expected.

Jubilee of the Sick and of Health Care Workers Sunday 9th February : Fifth Sunday of the Year

11th February, the optional memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, is the World Day for the Sick. Throughout our diocese we celebrate those who are sick, and those who care for them, on 9th February.

Sacrament of the Sick - The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is a Catholic Sacrament that provides spiritual and physical comfort to people who are ill. The Sacrament gives grace for the state into which people enter through sickness.

Fr John and Fr Evarist will celebrate a special Parish Mass for the Sick and Housebound after Easter, taking advantage of the warmer weather. More details will be shared via the parish website, newsletter, and church notice boards.

Our Lady of Lourdes Prayer for healing

O ever-Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comforter of the afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings; look with mercy on me.

By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, whence you dispense your favours;

and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal.

I come, therefore, with complete confidence to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests.

(mention your petition)

Through gratitude for your favours, I will endeavour to imitate your virtues, that I may one day share your glory.

Amen.



We are hiring! Exciting news! We're looking for a Parish Facilities Manager to join our team. This part-time role offers 15 flexible hours per week, with work spread across our four churches. If you or someone you know is interested, please help us spread the word! For more details, contact the Parish Office.

Mass for Young Adults on Friday 28th February Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass at Saint Barnabas Cathedral at 10pm for Young Adults (18-35) making use of the beautiful lighting in the Cathedral for 'Nottingham Night Light'. If you would like to support the Mass in any way, e.g. reading, serving, welcoming, then please contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Day Retreat for young adults at The Briars on Saturday 22nd March Youth2000 is running a day retreat for all young adults (18-35) at The Briars, Crich, DE4 5BW. The day will include lunch and dinner, inputs, prayer, and Mass with Bishop Patrick. To purchase a ticket and find out more visit:

<https://youth2000.churchsuite.com/events/eo9c6nuj> and for more information contact: charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

Faith and Footprint: Caring for Creation On Monday 17th February at 7.00pm. Join the next online diocesan workshop and find out about: why this and every Jubilee Year is an invitation to ecological conversion; the Laudato Si Animators' formation programme which starts on Monday 28th April (details at laudatosianimators.org); the national walking Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope which converges on Nottingham Cathedral in September; practical ideas for reducing our parishes' environmental footprint and its buildings. Book now at bit.ly/faithandfootprint

The CAFOD Quiz held on Saturday 1st February raised £422 for humanitarian aid. We wish to thank everyone who came along or sent in donations for their generosity and support. Thank you so much

Appeal for plants CAFOD are planning to have a plant sale in the spring, to be held at St Margaret Clitherow, and we would like to ask for donations of plants please. If you are starting to divide up plants in your garden we will be happy to take some off you. If you are starting to grow plants from seed would you consider growing a few extra plants and donating them for the plant sale please. We need flowers, herbs, vegetables, tomatoes and salad plants, and small bushes if possible. Also, if you are coppicing willow or hazel trees we would really like some stems, as we plan to make flower arches for the prayer garden that we are creating at St Margaret Clitherow Church. Please contact Liz at elizabeth.bonner1@virginmedia.com for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Jubilee of Marriages Bishop Patrick warmly invites all married couples to the Cathedral on Sunday 16th February when we will celebrate Mass at 3.00pm to mark the Jubilee of Marriages. The Bishop will lead a Renewal of Vows during the Mass, impart a special Jubilee Blessing, and afterwards host a Reception in Cathedral Hall. All married couples (and their families) are very welcome to attend, especially those recently married, and those celebrating significant anniversaries this Jubilee year.

A Retreat for married couples on 'The Four Disciplines of a Family' will take place on Saturday 15th March from 11.00am until 3.00pm. Mike and Alicia Hernon, founders of the famous Messy Family Podcast are coming all the way from Ohio, USA to lead this Retreat. Please see the link below for more details.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-messy-family-project-st-vincent-s-mission-hub-sheffield-tickets-1116789079199?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

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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

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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