



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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‘May they become perfectly one.’

John: 17:20-26

SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTERTIDE - JUBILEE OF COMMUNICATION WORKERS IN THE DIOCESE (YEAR C)

Dear Friends,

The theme for World Communications Day, Sunday 1st June 2025 is,

"Share with gentleness the hope that is in your hearts".

Pope Francis chose this theme to encourage communication that is gentle, builds bridges, and fosters dialogue, rather than aggression or division. Let us, as our late Holy Father Pope Francis asked, be agents of communication, through gentle listening and reaching out to those around us with words that build and give life and hope to all we encounter.



During his Inauguration Mass Pope Leo XIV, said,

"Brothers and sisters, this is the hour for love!

The heart of the Gospel is the love of God that makes us brothers and sisters."



If we put the above statement into practice, we will become evangelisers through communication - there is no better message to communicate!

June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the Catholic Church, due to a combination of historical and theological reasons. The month's dedication to the Sacred Heart stems from a tradition that began in the 17th century, centred on the visions and revelations experienced by St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. Specifically, Jesus appeared to her in 1674 and 1675, requesting that He be honoured under the image of His Heart, with the feast day falling on the Friday after the Octave of Corpus Christi. This



feast, and the devotion that followed, solidified the association of June with the Sacred Heart.





At his General Audience, Pope Leo XIV speaks to the English-speaking pilgrims, reflecting on the parable of the Good Samaritan. He reminds us that Christ is our healing hope and calls us to show mercy and become true neighbours, so that the Sacred Heart of Jesus may make our hearts more like his - fountains of love!

"Heart of Jesus, I adore thee; Heart of Mary, I implore thee; Heart of Joseph, pure and just; In these three hearts I put my trust."

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
I place all my trust in you.

Peace, John

Holy Masses and Services for 31st May - 8th June 2025

Saturday 31st May The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	3.30- 4.15pm Confessions; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 5.30-6.15pm Confessions; HS 6.30pm Mass; HS	The People of the Parish Mrs Jean Oliver RIP
Sunday 1st June Seventh Sunday of Easter	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG	John and Alice Doyle RIP John Carlin RIP Mrs Mary Jahina RIP Tim Farrelly RIP
Monday 2nd June Easter Feria	9.30am Mass; SA	Paul Sze RIP
Tuesday 3rd June St Charles Lwanga and companions, Martyrs of Uganda	9.30am Mass; SMC	Martin McQuaid
Wednesday 4th June Easter Feria	9.30am Mass; HS	Jim Harrington
Thursday 5th June St Boniface of Crediton, bishop and martyr	No Mass	
Friday 6th June St Norbert, bishop	12pm Mass; SA 7.30pm Mass; HS	Vincent Taylor RIP Annie and Ernie Cauldwell RIP (Anniversary)
Saturday 7th June Easter Feria	1.30pm Confirmation Mass; HS 4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS	For Confirmation Candidates Thanksgiving Paul Moran RIP (11 th Anniversary)
Sunday 8th June Pentecost Sunday	10am First Holy Communion Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG 2pm First Holy Communion Mass; HS	The People of The Parish Agnes Kaniki RIP Mal McNulty RIP Sarah Teresa Smith RIP For First Holy Communion Candidates

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 6pm 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 Bookshop** Confirmation and First Holy Communion cards and gifts are available, as well as rosaries, statues, Mass cards and cards for many occasions. Open after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Mass.

♦ **Urgent Appeal - More Flower Arrangers** If you have any experience of flower arranging or are eager to learn alongside an experienced arranger and willing to join the rota please contact Liz at lizzietwin@yahoo.co.uk or 07815043402. The rota is very flexible around day/ time, holidays etc. There are no flowers arranged during lent, Advent and August. The more people willing to join the rota the less often your turn will come round. I will be doing flowers for Pentecost on **Friday 6th June 9-30 am** in church if you would like to see how it is done or discuss joining the team just turn up .

♦ **Our Lady of Grace Fairtrade Stall** Thank you to everyone who supported last week's stall. £116 was raised, including £50 in donations which went towards the food bank for Emmanuel House. The next stall is on 22 June. Speak to Lynn Harrison if you need anything before then.

♦ **St Margaret Clitherow Christian Aid Week** Thank you to everyone who supported CHRISTIAN AID WEEK in any way—delivering or collecting envelopes, donating, agreeing to have donations pushed through your letterbox, manning the stalls, attending coffee mornings, and counting the money. The amount raised so far totals £4,681, which is £800 more than last year. A further £393 will also be claimed in Gift Aid. Your support has been amazing and is greatly appreciated. THANK YOU!

Novena to the Holy Spirit As we approach the great feast of Pentecost, we invite you to prepare your hearts by joining us in praying the Novena to the Holy Spirit, beginning Thursday, 30th May and concluding on Saturday, 7th June.

This powerful novena is the oldest in the Church and was prayed by the Apostles and Mary as they awaited the coming of the Holy Spirit. It's a beautiful opportunity for each of us to open ourselves more fully to the gifts and guidance of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Let us pray together each day for wisdom, courage, understanding, and renewal in our faith.

Whether you pray with your family, in the quiet of your heart, or with us at church, your prayers matter. Copies of the novena are available at the back of the church and on the parish website. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful!



Confirmation Mass – 7 June at 1:30 PM | Holy Spirit Church We are delighted to announce that 37 candidates are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

This is a joyful and significant step in their faith journey, as they open their hearts to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

We keep our candidates in prayer, asking God to guide and strengthen them in these final days of preparation. We also lift up their families, sponsors, catechists, and all who have supported them. May they continue to be sources of faith, love, and encouragement as our candidates take this important step in their spiritual lives.

Special Mass Time at St Anne – Sunday, 8th June Please note that **Mass at St Anne on Sunday, 8th June will be held at 10:00 AM**, instead of the usual 9:00 AM. This change is to accommodate a **special First Holy Communion Mass**, as our young parishioners take this important step in their faith journey. We invite you to join us in celebrating this joyful occasion and to keep the children and their families in your prayers.

Step Forward to Make a Difference - Appeal for Safeguarding Representatives

Do you have a heart for helping others and a commitment to creating a safe, caring community? We're inviting someone just like you to become our Parish Safeguarding Representative!

This vital role supports the wellbeing of everyone in our parish, especially the most vulnerable. It's a meaningful way to serve and make a lasting impact.



Growing in Faith Together The Scripture Reading at St Anne will be on the **2nd June starting at 2.30pm.** (*no session on 26th May as Bank Holiday*)

The Nottingham Diocesan Yearbook 2025 is now available to purchase, priced £6.00.

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

Baptism Preparation Course for Infants The next course will be on **Thursday 19th June 7pm at St Margaret Clitherow**. Please contact the Parish Office to reserve a place.

SVP – Heartfelt Thanks for Your Generosity Members of the SVP extend sincere thanks for the generous response to last week's parish collections. Your kindness will make a real difference to those in need.

The total amount raised was £1,716.07, with contributions as follows: Cotgrave & Keyworth: £447.73 (An additional £38.75 will be claimed through Gift Aid); Holy Spirit: £530.72; St Anne's: £737.62. Thank you once again for your continued support and compassion.

CAFOD Paper Quiz Our annual quiz, compiled by Dick Francis from St Margaret Clitherow, will be on sale at all churches from this weekend. It's a fun activity for the whole family, really gets you thinking, and includes a prize for the winning entry. It costs £2 per sheet, or you can make a donation to CAFOD. The closing date for entries is Friday 18th July. Good luck!

Becket Students Pilgrimage to Lourdes Gratitude for Your Generosity! A heartfelt thank you from the Becket's students for your kindness and generosity! A total of £749.42 has been raised to support the students in accompanying the elderly and vulnerable on their pilgrimage.

The Ascent is coming to the Nottingham Diocese theASCENT is a three year discipleship process for Catholic young people in years 10-12 who want to embrace their faith in Jesus Christ at a whole new level and learn how to share it with others. At their heart they seek to disciple the few for the sake of the many so that the Gospel may reach the ends of the earth. Bookings are open now, visit www.theascentuk.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 Declaration: <https://parishoftheannunciationrushcliffe.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Annunciation-Standing-Order-Form-1.pdf>

- ♦ **New! 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.

