



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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‘Blessed are you who are poor. Woe to you who are rich’. Luke 6:17-26

Sixth Week in Ordinary Time Diocesan Jubilee of Marriages

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

Saturday 15th February Feria	3.30-4.15pm Confessions; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 5.30-6.15pm Confessions; HS 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
Monday 17th February Feria	9.30am Mass; SA 11.30am <i>Funeral Mass</i> ; HS	Katherine Ashcroft Jean Elizabeth Oliver RIP
Tuesday 18th February Feria	9.30am Mass; SMC	Thanksgiving Ann and Gerry Divilly
Wednesday 19th February Feria	9.30am Mass; HS	Kath Spencer RIP
Thursday 20th February Feria	No Mass	No Mass
Friday 21st February Feria	12pm Mass; SA 7.30pm Mass; HS	Susan Cook RIP Annie and Ernie Cauldwell RIP
Saturday 22nd February The Chair of St. Peter (Feast)	4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS	Michael Crowley RIP Vera O’Connell RIP
Sunday 23rd February Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG	Gerard McPake RIP (25 th Anniversary) Martin Nutt RIP In loving memory of Tony Crump RIP, from Sheila, Andree and Family The People of The Parish

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 Jean Elizabeth Oliver, Kathleen Dodson, Mary Lyons and Vincent Taylor. Jean’s Funeral Mass is on Monday 17th February, 11.30am at Holy Spirit. Mary’s Funeral Mass is on Thursday 27th 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 occurs around this time. May they rest in peace.



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.

Upcoming: 22nd / 23rd February, Second collection will be collection for the Bishop’s Charitable Purpose

MY HOLIDAY IN MOSHI, TANZANIA

May I take this opportunity to share some highlights from my recent holiday in my home country, Tanzania, particularly in the beautiful diocese of Moshi.

In the first place, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to each of you for your prayers and support during my time away. Your love and kindness mean so much to me, and please know that you will always be in my prayers as well.

During my time home I had a wonderful time reconnecting with my family and friends. One of the meaningful moments was celebrating Mass at home in remembrance of our beloved mum, Agnes. As is tradition, we gathered to pray for her soul 40 days after her funeral. It was the way of continuing to honour her memory and celebrating the incredible life she lived. I also had the privilege to attend the ordination of 18 priests of our diocese.

As a family, in honouring mum's memory, we also held a thanksgiving service in my home parish to support the parish projects. This was made possible by your generosity during Christmas. Since the parish is located in a rural area, the parishioners are facing challenges in effectively implementing these projects. However it was a working holiday. I was appointed by my bishop to assist in one of the parishes in Moshi. I spent a significant amount of my time there, celebrating Masses both in the Church and in the homes of the parishioners.

I also bring you warm greetings from my bishop, brother priests, my family, the parish priest in my home parish (who is celebrating his 50th jubilee this year), and the parishioners from my home parish. They all send their love and best wishes to you, reminding us of the beautiful connections we share across the miles. They are also inviting you for a visit whenever you get time.

Thank you for being such a wonderful and amazing parish community. I will share with you more stories when we meet in person and continue our journey of faith together

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Some spaces are available for adults (self funded) for the Nottingham Diocese Youth Pilgrimage to Rome - The Canonisation of Carlo Acutis 23rd - 28th April 2025, led by Fr John Martin

Carlo Acutis, a shining modern example of faith and devotion, continues to inspire young people around the world. This is your chance to join a special pilgrimage celebrating his canonisation!

Don't miss this extraordinary opportunity to celebrate together. For more details or to secure your spot, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible—spaces are limited! Let's come together to honour Carlo Acutis and his incredible journey of faith.



Our Lady of Grace ♦ **World Day of Prayer, Friday 7th March** The service in Cotgrave will be at the Methodist Church at 2:00pm.

Holy Spirit ♦ **Baby and Toddler Group** There will be no sessions during the half-term break. Sessions will resume on Thursday 27th February. See you then!

We are hiring! Exciting news! We're looking for a Parish Facilities Manager to join our team. This part-time role (with salaries) 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.

CAFOD - 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.

Services and Holy Mass Times during Lent

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 5th March

- ♦ SA: Mass 12 noon
- ♦ HS: Mass 7pm

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sunday 13th April

- ♦ SA; SMC: Mass 9am
- ♦ HS; OLOG: Mass 11am

Maundy Thursday - The Mass of The Lord's Supper

Thursday 17th April

- ♦ HS; SA: Mass 7pm

Friday of the Passion of the Lord - Good Friday

Friday 18th April

- ♦ HS; SA: Passion Service 3pm

The Easter Vigil

Saturday 19th April

- ♦ HS: Mass (Sacraments of Initiation) 8pm
- ♦ SA: Mass 8pm

The Easter Day of the Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday 20th April

- ♦ SA; SMC: Mass 9am
- ♦ HS; OLOG: Mass 11am

Service of Reconciliation

Tuesday 1st April

- ♦ SMC: After Morning Mass, 10-11am

Friday 4th April

- ♦ SA: 11am - 12 noon followed by mid-day Mass

Friday 11th April

- ♦ HS: 6.30 - 7.30pm, followed by Benediction with no Mass

Stations of the Cross on Friday

More details will be regularly updated in the newsletter and on the parish website

Save the Date for a Special Mass for our Parish Feast Day on Sunday 30th March, 10.30am at The Becket School!

Don't miss out on these opportunities for us to come together, strengthen our bonds, and celebrate the spirit of our parish. More details will follow.

★ **Important note:** On the weekend of 29th / 30th March. Please note there is only one Vigil Mass in our Parish at Holy Spirit at 6.30pm, and one Parish Sunday Mass in The Becket School at 10.30am.

Everyone is welcome, and we're looking forward to celebrating together!

40 Days for Life It is an internationally coordinated 40 day campaign that seeks to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil close to places where abortions are carried out. There has been a campaign in Nottingham since 2016. Abortion hurts women as well as ending the lives of innocent unborn children, and since the introduction of 'pills by post', the number of abortions in our communities has risen to record levels. If you would like to do something to end this terrible injustice, join in prayer and witness during Lent 2025. To learn more come to the launch event on Wednesday 19th February at 7.00pm in Cathedral Hall, Nottingham NG1 5AE; or email pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Catholic Union is holding a webinar on the **Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill** on Thursday 3rd April at 6.30pm. Chaired by Baroness Hollins, President of the Catholic Union, it will give members and supporters the chance to unpick the Bill guided by three experts: Dr Matthew Doré; Dr Philip Howard and Professor Julian Hughes, before the Bill returns to the Commons' Chamber for Third Reading on 25th April. To sign up for the webinar register at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hard-cases-dont-make-good-law-assisted-suicide-webinar-tickets-1233106176769?aff=oddtcreator

Bishop Patrick invites parishioners to join the Nottingham Diocesan Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage

It will take place between Monday 14th and Friday 18th July. The Pilgrimage includes a full liturgical programme, with Mass each day; return direct flights from East Midlands Airport to Lourdes; full board for four nights in a three- or four- star hotel; assistance (for those who need it) from the Diocesan Hospitalité and Health Team. Prices start from £899, and more details are at: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/lourdes

Young adults (18-35) are also warmly invited to join the Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage. For young adults interested in supporting pilgrims, deepening faith, and coming together as a community, contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk or visit www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham-ya/

UPCOMING EVENTS IN DIOCESE

Historic Padley Chapel near Grindleford is a Designated Pilgrim Place for the 2025 Jubilee Year, and more people are needed to help with the Chapel opening on Sunday afternoons and the occasional weekday during the Jubilee Year of Hope. Volunteers will be part of a team of two – four people with full guidance and support given. For more information email friendsofpadley@hallam-diocese.com or telephone Sheila: 07855 0397

Sing the Mass A day for parish choirs, cantors and anyone who believes that the one who sings prays twice, will cover: Psalms from the new lectionary; Chants in the missal; and Entrance and communion antiphons. The Day will be held at Saint Wilfrid of York, Coalville, LE67 3JB, on Saturday 15th March, from 10.30am for 11.00am start. Bring a packed lunch, hot drinks are provided. The Day concludes with Mass at 4.00pm, singing what we have learnt. The facilitators are: Lynda Durcan and Father Colin Patey, and the cost is £5, payable on the day. For enquiries and to book: singthecatholicmass@gmail.com

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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. 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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