



Parish of The Annunciation, Rushcliffe

Serving the Churches of Holy Spirit, West Bridgford, Our Lady of Grace, Cotgrave,
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'Let both grow together until the harvest.'

Matthew 13:24-30

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - YEAR A

Holy Spirit Social Centre – Repair Works Scaffolding will be erected from Monday 20th July as essential repair works begin at the Holy Spirit Social Centre. Please expect significant parking disruption around the church while the works are in progress. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of Deacon Peter Swarbrick Peter Swarbrick's funeral service will be at St Margaret Clitherow Church on Monday 27th July at 2.30pm with the Committal at Rushcliffe Oaks Crematorium at 4pm. All are welcome to attend and also join the family for light refreshments at Nottinghamshire Golf and Country Club. Peter was ordained a Deacon for the Diocese in January 2001 and served at St Margaret Clitherow and later also in Our Lady of the Angels until he retired. There will also be a Memorial Mass for Peter on Monday 10th August at 11am. More details to follow.

Celebrating 50 Years of Priesthood – A Thank You from Fr Michael I would like to thank everyone who kindly remembered my 50th anniversary of Ordination that I celebrated recently. Those people who managed to come to the Mass itself, those people who sent cards and greetings and gifts, and those who remembered me in their prayers. It was a lovely and relaxed day with much joy. Fr John McCay preached some wise, thoughtful and disrespectful words! But I asked people to show sympathy to him as he bears the burden of being a Leicester City supporter! I would have joined you at Fr Vincent's Memorial Mass but unfortunately the two events coincided.

I thank God for the many blessings of those 50 years and remember fondly my time with you as my last Parish. You may be able to follow the Mass again on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@stalbandsderby>

God Bless you all, Fr. Michael



Help Shape Our New Parish Youth Group Young people of our parish – we need your ideas! Please take a few minutes to complete the [Youth Group Survey](#) and help us shape a new youth group that is welcoming, enjoyable, and centred on faith.

Simply scan the QR code alongside this notice to complete the survey. If you would like more information or would like to get involved, please contact Louis through the Parish Office.



Holy Spirit Cricket Club our Bath tour may not have brought success on the cricket field but it cemented the friendly link between our Parish and St John's. St John's won the match to regain the Our Lady of Grace Cup but the match was great fun for all. Their Parish Priest, Canon Christopher, and the parishioners of St John's send their best wishes to everyone here in the Annunciation Parish.



World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly – Sunday 26th July

On Sunday 26th July, the Church celebrates the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. This year's theme, "I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15), reminds us that every grandparent and elderly person is a precious gift to the Church and our families.

Please remember our grandparents and the elderly in your prayers, especially those who are lonely, unwell, or have died. Bookmarks featuring the Pope's Prayer and an Act of Love will be available at the back of each church next weekend.

More information: <https://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org/popes-prayer/>



Second Collection – CAFOD Venezuela Earthquake Appeal (18th/19th July) There will be a Second Collection at all Masses this weekend in support of the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal. Millions of people have been affected by the devastating earthquakes in Venezuela. Through its trusted Church partners, CAFOD is providing emergency food, clean water, shelter, and other essential aid to those most in need. Thank you for your generosity and for keeping the people of Venezuela in your prayers.

CAFOD Summer Quiz 2026 – CAFOD are pleased to announce that our summer quiz compiled by Dick Francis, is now on sale at the back of each church for £2. It will be available all summer and the closing date for submitting your answers is Tuesday 1st September.

Holy Masses and Services for 18th to 26th July 2026

Saturday 18th July Feria	3.30 - 4.15pm Confessions; SA 4pm Rosary ; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 6 - 6.15pm Confessions; HS 6.30pm Mass; HS	Teresa McPake RIP (27 th Anniversary) The People of The Parish
Sunday 19th July Sixteenth Sunday of the Year	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG	Isabelle Stammers RIP Daniel Willmott RIP Nora's Intentions Nottingham Catenians
Monday 20th July Feria	9.30am Mass; SA 10am Rosary ; SA	For vocations to the priesthood and religious life
Tuesday 21st July Feria	9am Rosary ; SMC 9.30am Mass; SMC	May McKiernan RIP
Wednesday 22nd July St Mary Magdalene, (Feast)	9am Rosary ; SMC 9am Rosary ; HS 9.30am Mass; HS 6pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ; SA	George Jackson RIP
Thursday 23rd July St Bridget of Sweden, Religious, Patron of Europe (Feast)	9.30am Service of Word and Communion ; OLOG 7pm Rosary for Vocations to Religious Life ; HS 	
Friday 24th July Feria	10am Rosary ; SMC 10.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ; SMC 11am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ; SA 11.30am Rosary ; SA 12pm Mass; SA 5pm Rosary ; OLOG 6pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ; HS 7pm Mass; HS	For our Holy Father, Pope Leo and the church For our parish Mission
Saturday 25th July St James, Apostle, (Feast)	11am Baptism; HS 4pm Rosary ; SA 4.30pm Mass; SA 6.30pm Mass; HS	Rowan Henry Haw The People of The Parish Stan Ayling RIP
Sunday 26th July Seventeenth Sunday of the Year	9am Mass; SA  9am Mass; SMC 11am Mass; HS  11am Mass; OLOG 1pm Baptism ; HS	Carrado Di-Francescomarino begins his seminary formation for the priesthood John Carlin RIP Stuart Whitlow RIP Robert Whitely 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; Thursday After Mass/Service; OLOG; Friday After Mass/Service; SA

Repository and Gift Shop at all churches Rosaries, statues, Mass cards, and cards for many occasions are available in our repository and church shops. The shops are open after weekend Masses. Please check with your Local Church Group or contact the parish office for further details.

HOLY SPIRIT ♦ Prayers for Vocations Thursday evenings next to Our Lady's chapel 7 pm at Holy Spirit church.

OUR LADY OF GRACE ♦ Fairtrade The next Parish Fairtrade stall at Our Lady of Grace Church is on Sunday the 19th of July. If you have never visited us before please come along and browse our varied product range from tea, coffee and delicious chocolate, cards for various occasions, Palestinian dates and Palestinian herbs, Liberation nuts and much more.

The Government's **Great British Summer Savings Scheme** takes place between **25th June and 1st September**, with a temporary reduction on VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts, exhibitions and a wide range of other attractions. In addition, there is to be free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England. Full details can be found at: <https://summersavings.gov.uk>