# Parish of The Annunciation, Rushcliffe

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# 'Let him who is without sin be the first to throw a stone.' Fifth Sunday of Lent - Year C

John 8:1-11

# **Oppose Assisted Suicide**

Legislation to legalise assisted suicide is currently progressing through Parliament. The Third Reading and final vote on the Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill is expected to take place on Friday, 25th April. It is crucial to contact your MP and urge them to oppose this bill.

The charity Right to Life UK provides a quick and easy online tool for reaching out to MPs, allowing you to send a message in just a few moments. You can access it here: https://righttolife.org.uk/asvote. Additionally, Right to Life UK is distributing postcards to parishes, enabling the lay faithful to write to their MPs on this important issue. For more resources on opposing assisted suicide, visit: www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide.

# ★ Exciting News! Our New Parish Website is Here! ★

We are thrilled to announce that our redesigned parish website is now complete and will officially launch on Saturday 12th April!

The new site features a fresh, user-friendly design, making it easier to find Mass times, parish news, events, and resources. Whether you're looking for the latest announcements or ways to get

involved, everything will be just a click away!

We'd love to hear your thoughts! If you have any feedback or suggestions, please send them to the Parish Office or Ceci Li. Your input will help us continue improving our online presence.

Stay tuned and get ready to explore the new website on Saturday 12th April!

# Mass for the Sick and Housebound - 10th May, 1:00pm at Holy Spirit

Join Fr. John and Fr. Evarist for a special Mass which includes the Sacrament of the Sick for those in need.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is a sacred Catholic sacrament that offers spiritual strength, healing, and comfort to those facing illness. It provides grace for those experiencing physical or emotional suffering. Fr. John and Fr. Evarist will administer the Sacrament at Holy Spirit on 10th May at 1:00pm.

Following the Mass light refreshments will be available in the Social Centre. If you are able to assist with greeting or serving refreshments your support would be greatly appreciated—please contact the Parish Office for more details.

All are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

CAFOD will be leaving emergency collection envelopes at the back of each church, the weekend of the 12th and 13th April, for donations to the Myanmar disaster appeal.

Our Hot Cross Bunraiser will also raise funds for the Myanmar emergency appeal. Sunday 13th April after the 11am Mass, Holy Spirit Social Centre. There will be Hot Cross buns, drinks, Raffle, Books, Jewellery, Soaps, Fairtrade and beautiful Easter Chicks. Please come along.













# National Jubilee walking Pilgrimage of Hope Saturday 13th September 2025 - Sunday 14th September 2025

During this Jubilee Year there will be a national Jubilee walking

Pilgrimage of Hope taking place in late August and into September, and converging at Saint Barnabas Cathedral. There will be four routes, blessing our country with a Sign of the Cross, starting at the cathedrals in Cardiff, Leeds, Norwich and Westminster, and arriving at our cathedral on Saturday 13th September, the eve of the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

The Pilgrimage will culminate with Solemn Mass for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross at 11.15 am on 14th September 2025 at Nottingham Cathedral.

Small groups of perpetual pilgrims will walk the full distance of each Way, with day pilgrims invited to join to walk stages. Registration for day pilgrims will open in April, and as our diocese will see the comingtogether of all four Ways there will be plenty of opportunities for participation. Details will follow soon! **Official Website:** https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/national-pilgrims-of-hope-walking-pilgrimage

Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service Friday 11th April at Holy Spirit at 7.30pm St Anne: Monday 7th April at 10am and Friday 11th April at 11:30am, ; Stations of the Cross Holy Spirit: Friday 4th April at 6.45pm, led by CAFOD; St Margaret Clitherow Friday 4th April at 6pm, led by tea/coffee volunteers; Our Lady of Grace: Sunday 6th April after the 11am Mass. Note: No Mass at Holy Spirit on Friday 11th April.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Those who have died recently, those who mourn for them and those whose anniversary occurs around this time. May they rest in peace.

New Community Group - Growing in Faith Together Lent is a good time to do something extra to grow in faith and prayer. Please come to take part in one of the groups happening in the parish in Lent up until Holy Week. All are welcome.

- Scripture Sharing Group: Monday afternoons 2pm-3pm in St Anne, Radcliffe.
- Scripture Sharing Group: Thursday afternoons in Holy Spirit Social Centre, 2pm-3.30pm.
- Learning the Divine Office: Wednesday evening 8pm Holy Spirit Church.

## 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 ٠ 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 ٠ 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 ٠ 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-theannunciation to make your contributions online.









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**Our Lady of Grace** • Fairtrade / Ethical Store Once again I would like to thank all the parishioners who supported March's Fairtrade/Ethical store. Sales throughout the month together with sales on the day amounted to £120 and on top of that I received £45 in donations, so lots of Fairtrade products were added to the food bank collection. You can therefore be assured that your contributions are having a positive impact both for the Fairtrade producers abroad and the local community here in Nottingham. The next stall will be on the 27th of April, but please ask me at Church if you require anything before then. Wishing you a very Happy Easter, Lynn Harrison.

**St Anne** • Silent Adoration Schedule Update - British Summer Time With the start of British Summer Time we welcome longer evenings filled with light. Our Silent Adoration will take place on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. We invite you to join us in this peaceful hour of prayer and reflection.

**St Margaret Clitherow** • **The Northern Leg of the Pilgrim Cross Holy Week pilgrimage to Walsingham** (https://pilgrimcross.org.uk) will start from St Margaret Clitherow on Saturday 12th April. Pilgrims will be staying in the church overnight from Friday 11th April and will need food. Please sign the sheets in the narthex if you are able to help. Vegetarian and/or vegan dishes will be suitable for everyone. There will be no Stations of the Cross at St Margaret Clitherow on 11th April. • This weekend's **Inter Church Sunday evening Lent service** will be led by members of the Baptist church in the Methodist Church at 6pm on Sunday 6th April. All are welcome. The final Lent discussion group based on the film Casablanca is on Thursday April 10th at 2pm in St Margaret Clitherow.

### **DIOCESAN UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 27TH APRIL** - At Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church Bulwell NG6 9ES. Celebration begins at 2.30pm and ends with Benediction at 3.45pm. Talk will be given by Rev Robbie O'Callaghan. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after the service for 1 hour. You are warmly invited to come along to this great Feast day. For more information, please contact Madeleine Heraghty on 0115 9277973.

LACY Walk for Cancer Research UK is taking place on Sunday (6th April). All Young People, families and friends are warmly invited to join LACY (Leicestershire Active Catholic Youth) in this walk, raising funds for Cancer Research UK. The walk will commence from Saint Mary's Church, South Wigston - walking as much as you can! At the same time share in a nature hunt with collected items to be placed at the foot of the cross as we come back to the Church and "Make a Journey with Jesus" in the Youth Stations of the Cross. Light refreshments will be available. More details on the poster.

**Celebrate the Jubilee at WeBelieve,** a festival of Catholic Life gathering the Church to share the hope that we have in Christ. From Friday 25th – Monday 28th July, join us for four days of music, keynotes, conversation and worship at Saint Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of Saint Gianna Molla), Father Paul Murray, Monsignor Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Father Toby Lees OP and many more. Early Bird Tickets are available now at www.webelievefestival.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: <u>contactachaplain@nuh.nhs.uk</u>

### 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.



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