

Customary Prayers Said at St. Anne & St. Joseph

The Jubilee Year began with the opening of the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica in Rome, on **Tuesday 24 December 2024** and runs to the **Feast of Epiphany 2026**.

Jubilee Prayer Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Diocesan Prayer for Vocations Heavenly Father, we ask you to send labourers into your harvest. Inspire, in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity, so that those whom you call have the courage to give themselves to your Church in faith. Through Christ our Lord. Amen,"

Prayer for peace: Almighty and eternal Father, God of wisdom and mercy, whose power exceeds all forces of arms and whose protection in the strong defence of all who trust in thee, enlighten and direct we beseech thee, those who bear the heavy responsibility of government throughout the world in these days of stress and trial. Grant them the strength to stand firm for what is right and the skill to dispel the fears that foment discord. Inspire them to be mindful of the horrors of atomic war for victor and vanquished alike, to seek conciliation in truth and patience, to see in every man a brother and a sister that the people of all nations may, in our day, enjoy the blessings of a just and lasting peace.

Conscious of our own unworthiness, we implore thy mercy on a sinful world, in the name of thy Divine Son, the prince of peace, and through the intercession of his blessed mother and all the saints.

Queen of all saints Pray for us

Queen of the Holy Rosary.....Pray for us

Queen of Peace.....Pray for us



**Our Lady of the Angels, St Anne's &
St Joseph's Catholic P a r i s h**
The Presbytery, Coton Road, Nuneaton CV11 5UA



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7th December 2025

Come Lord Jesus: “*The Daily Coming of Christ*”

Advent is a time when we prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. During this time, we meditate on the three comings of Jesus and we led by the acclamation “**Come Lord Jesus**” (*maran atha*). This is a prayerful cry that attaches Jesus’ first coming into human history as savior, the present or daily coming, and the ultimate hope of the future return by focusing on the spiritual reign he has established (*Rev. 22:12-20*). The first coming was observable when he was born in Bethlehem of Galilee; the last will be glorious when he will come as a judge. But the daily coming is quiet, continuous and personal. Jesus’ daily coming is what connects us to the first and future comings.

When Jesus came 2000+ years ago, people expected Him to save them from their present political oppression and they forgot to welcome Him in their daily life. Our preparations for Christmas celebrations should imitate *Mary’s Fiat* (response), “*Let it be done to me according to your word*” (*Lk. 1:38*). When we pray “Come Lord Jesus,” we echo her receptive and humble ‘Yes’ to God’s will. Mary’s first action was to travel to the hill country of Judea to visit her aunt Elizabeth. Her visit brought joy to both Elizabeth and John the Baptist who was still in the womb. And, Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

The Mary and Elizabeth’s moment is what we experience in every Liturgy of the Eucharist; and it is what our life as Christians should be to the world. Jesus comes to us daily through the graces of the Holy Spirit, the Sacraments and the proclamation of his word. In this daily coming, Jesus is less visible just like it was in the encounter at the visitation (*Lk. 1:39-45*). In the quiet of our hearts, Christ comes to us in spirit and power, guiding us, healing us, and transforming us. St. Bernard says, this daily coming is a continuous reminder of God’s presence and His power to renew us.

We should be able to stir each other’s hearts every time we meet. The *maran atha* prayer is an invitation to evangelize next door family, colleagues at work or at the restaurant. These places are our *hill country of Judea*, like Mary we make Christ present to the people we meet leap and filled with joy while actively praying and discerning God’s will in daily life; transforming our homes into places of welcome, peace, and spiritual nourishment; where Christian love is bred and tangible to all who enter. By this, everyone becomes a vessel for Christ, carrying His light, love, and presence into the world, just as Mary carried the physical body of Jesus.

Fr Pius Mmanda AJ

PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION

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Parishioners with Special Pastoral Ministries

Catechists at OLA: Lianne Pap, Pawlina Vernau, Helen Hawley, Sr. Jacinta, Helen Oulton – Doris

Catechist at St. Anne's: Theresa Harriss

Safeguarding representatives : St. Anne Klabisz Ingrid
OLA: Christine Scullion

Music Directors; OLA Mr. David Lloyd , Stephen Angafor, Allan

St. Joseph's: Stella Inglis Roy

St. Anne's: Anthony Bell, Lynn Bell, Cathy Cox

Head of Altar Servers: OLA Daniel Murphy
St. Anne's Reg Woolley

Communication St. Anne's : Mary Sheridan

Parish Finance Committee OLA Phil Yeomans

PARISH SAFEGUARDING POLICY

Safeguarding ensures our children and vulnerable adults are kept safe. It is the responsibility of all people within the Parish. If you see anything that could be harming to children or vulnerable adults, say something and report it to the Parish Priest, Safeguarding Representative, or the Safeguarding Team at the Diocese. See it, Say it, Report it. We wish to keep our Parish communities safe, and should you want to carry out a role or set up a group or activity, please let the Parish Priest and your Safeguarding Representative know. They can support you with this and ensure that processes including Safer Recruitment paperwork and follow up is completed. Thank you for your support in keeping our Parish community safe. The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative are: Christine Scullion and Ingrid Klabisz. Christine can be contacted at Christine.Scullionsg.oloangels.nuneaton@rcaob.org.uk. Ingrid can be contacted at: sg.stanne.nuneaton@rcaob.org.uk

Please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or the Police if you have any concern.

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

St Anne's

Christmas Cards, 2026 Diary and Calendar: A selection of Christmas Cards available from St Anne's piety stall. 2026 diary and calendar also available.

Children's liturgy St Anne's Parish Hall: The Children's liturgy is held every Sunday during 10:30am Mass, they welcome all children aged 3 to 10 years.

Our Lady of the Angels

The family of Fr Simon would like to thank the parishioners of Our Lady of the Angels for all the messages, cards and the collection towards the Diabetic Association and Stoke Hospital and for the love and support shown to both Simon and the family. Thank you.

Maryrose and Philip Hall

Christmas Fair: A huge thank you to all who helped out or supported our first Christmas Fair in 5 years. Thank you especially for those who helped as car park marshals ensuring all ran smoothly and also those who gave up their Saturday afternoon to set the hall up so beautifully. We should have a final figure of the takings next week. Well done everyone!

Diocesan News and Communication

Lourdes Pilgrims-Healthcare Volunteer

Could you be a Healthcare Volunteer in Lourdes?: Are you a doctor, nurse or carer? Would you consider donating your time and expertise on next year's Lourdes Pilgrimage? Every year sick pilgrims are able to make the journey to Lourdes thanks to the support of a dedicated Healthcare Team. Without their expertise many pilgrims would not be able to go. If you are a healthcare professional and would like to try something new please consider joining us. You will make a real difference. For more information, and to access the Volunteer Pilgrimage Pack and an application form, please visit:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage>

Pay Some Attention to this:

Christmas Mass Times

Our Lady Vigil Mass	6:00pm for children 11:45pm Carols followed by Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	08:30am First Mass 10:00am Second Mass
St Joseph Christmas Vigil	4:30pm Families with children
Christmas Day	08.30am Morning Mass
St. Anne Christmas Vigil	5:00pm Mass for little children
Christmas Vigil	13:30pm for Adults
Christmas Day	10:30am

Our Lady of the Angels

Our Lady's Parish Carol Service: The annual carol service will be Sunday 21st December at 6pm with a collection of readings, carols old and new.

Praise and Worship with Adoration Please join us this Sunday, 7th December, at 5:00 PM for an evening of praise and worship before the Blessed Sacrament. We hope to offer these gatherings **each weekend throughout Advent**, with more details to follow. As we enter this busy season, let us take time to pause, focus our hearts on Jesus, and prepare for His coming.

Christmas Flowers You are invited to buy a flower/flowers in memory of a loved one/ones for Christmas - £3 per flower. Please enclose your donation along with name/names in an envelope, marked **Christmas Flowers**, and post through the Presbytery letterbox. Any donations towards Christmas flowers are very welcome. Thank you.

The SVP Annual Collection Will take place after all weekend Masses **next weekend (13/14th Dec)** and helps the St Vincent de Paul Society on our behalf to help those - especially families - who struggle financially at Christmas time. If you or someone you know are in need of a little extra financial support in the run up to Christmas, the SVP may be able to help. If you would like to know more simply write your name, address and telephone number, along with a brief note asking a member of the 'SVP' to contact you. Envelopes are available at the back of church.

Second Collection this weekend is for the **Poor Parishes** of the diocese, remember you can donate using the card machines by the piety stall.

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS MASS SCHEDULE

Second Sunday of Advent– 7th December 2025.

Sunday Vigil (Saturday) 6th 6:00pm Henry Molloy RIP (7th ann)

Sunday 7th 9:15am Charles Bayliss RIP

11:00am Greta Allen birthday Intentions

05:00pm Praise & Worship with Adoration

Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:05am led by parishioners

Mon 8th 9:30am Tom Murray RIP ***Immaculate Conception of the B V M***

11:00am Requiem for Mario Albanese

Tue 9th 9:30am Margaret Brown RIP

Wed 10th 9:30am Neil Bailey & Mrs & Mrs Bailey Intentions

10th after Mass Confessions Yr 4/5/6

10th 6:00pm **St Thomas More Advent Mass**

Thu 11th 9:30am Iris & Joe Sabec RIP

11th 9:30am OLST Whole School Mass

11th 7:00pm **Penitential Service**

Fri 12th 9:30am Thanksgiving & more Blessings

Sat 13th 9:30am Pro Populo *St Lucy*

Sat 10.00 am Exposition of the blessed sacrament & confessions:

MASS SCHEDULE ST. ANNE AND ST JOSEPH FOR THE WEEK

Second Sunday of Advent– 7th December 2025.

Sat 6th Dec Mass at St. Anne's 5:00pm

Sun 7th Dec Mass at St. Joseph's 08:30am

Mass at St. Anne's 10:30am

Mon 8th Dec (No Mass)

Tue 9th Dec Mass at St. Anne's 09:30

Wed 10th Dec Mass at St. Anne's 09:30

Thu 11th Dec Mass at St. Anne's 9:30am

Fri 12th Dec Exposition, 6:00pm Confession Mass at 7:00pm

Mass at St Anne's 7:00pm

Sat 13th Dec Mass at St. Anne's 17:00

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

Parish Finances week beginning 23/11/25

COLLECTION £444.55 of which Gift Aid £278.55
 FABRIC FUND £686.75 of which Gift Aid: £193.03
 NOVEMBER Tap & Go: £1207.80 of which Gift Aid: £946.80
 NOVEMBER STANDING ORDER: £2309.67

*Many
Thanks!*



To DONATE
 Sunday 29/30th Nov Mass attendance 663 Scan QR Code
Gift Aid it! - to add 25% to the value of your donation contact the parish office!

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS—Parish Hall`

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

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Mon –8/15/22nd Meditation 7:30pm
 Tue - 9/16th RCIA 7:30pm
 Tue - 16th Seniors after Mass
 Tue - 9/16th Knit & natter 1:30-3:30pm
 Tue - 16th First Holy Communion classes 4pm
 Wed - 17th Coffee morning after Mass
 Wed - 10th Bible Study group after morning Mass
 Wed - 5th Kinship Group 12-1pm
 Thu - 11/18th Confirmation classes 4pm

St Anne's collections—October 2025

First Collection Gift Aid: £282.53 Non Gift Aid: £657.50
 Building Fund Gift Aid: £483.70 Non Gift Aid: £429.99
 CHARITY: CAFOD & Others Gift Aid £57.00 Non Gift Aid: £28.00
 Gift Aid: APF MISSIO £34.50 Non Gift Aid: £7.40

CONTINUOUS PRAYER FOR THE PARISH INTENTIONS

For the sick: Marie Lewis, Mary Browner, David Marsh, Kirsty Kalnins, Codey Darlison, Cynthia Mallabone, David Reeves, Joan Hanlon, Margaret Berkmire, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong, Jim Jarvis, Martin Reed, Alice Guiney, Abi Glenn, Carol Wright, Caelan Shannon, Mary Kelly, Rachel Anderson, Swaren Baden, Stephen Gilbey, Terry Mallabone, Joan Turnball, Neil Bailey & Jean Skidmore.

Doreen Fleming, Rita Clifford, Richie Bowman, Lyudmyla Vasilenco, John-Joseph Shannon, Joyce Haluk, Diane Compton-Belcher, Anne Franklin, Rosie Gilbert & Kate Deeming. Please remember all those in hospital and parishioners who receive the Blessed Sacrament at home.

For Parishioners recently deceased:

Mario Albanese (8th Dec 11am), John Cawe 'Sean' (19th Dec 2:30pm)

Parishioners whose Anniversaries we remember during the week

Anniversaries week beginning :7th December 2025

Andrew Morrissey, Leslie Perry, William McCool, Doris Jackson, Phyllis Lloyd, Stanley Smithson, Rita Bircher, Richard West, Mario Di Girolamo, David Adler, Thomas Kelly, Glenys Breen, Douglas Ward, Ken Jephcott, George Bannister, Kathleen Evans & Mary Jackson.

John David Maddison, Tom Cooney, Mary Hamblett, Frances Howorth, Edwin & Susan Smith, Donald Inglis, Clive Rowe, Kath Brett, John Fletcher, Eric Jeffcoate, Agnes Eccles, Andrew Lincoln, Pearl Norton, Helen Duffield, Nora Jeffcoate, Harry & Theresa McShane, Violet Gormally, Michael Gallagher & Anthony Bevan.

Priests whose anniversaries appear during the Week:

Rev Horace Relph, Rev Michael Knight, Rev Anthony Kane, Rev George Rafferty, Rev Thomas McMorrow, Rev Jerome O'Flynn, Rev Hugh Molloy, Rev Vincent Lucas, Mgr Canon Francis Drinkwater, Rev William Browne, Rev John Ellis & Rev Cyril Barlow.