



Our Lady of the Angels, St Anne's & St Joseph's Catholic Parish

The Presbytery, Coton Road, Nuneaton CV11 5UA

Part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No.234216

10th – 17th May 2026

IMITATION IS THE HIGHEST FORM OF PRAISE

This week we received the sad news of the death of Mr Kwabena Mensa and Mr. Philip Jennings the beloved husband of Sas Jennings. Both were active members of the parish but on different angles. Philip was a baptised Anglican and Kwabena Mensa was a baptised Catholic. Philip and Sas getting married to each other from different denominations someone would have expected some friction in practicing their beliefs, but no one interfered in each other's faith practices. Sas carried on her faith, as a lector, Eucharistic Minister and quasi sacristan. She led the daily Rosary too.

All along, her husband was observing, the coherence of the words and actions of his wife pinched every part of his soul and set it on fire. Sas had no intention to convert him to Catholicism; whatever she was doing flowed from her catholic convictions, and out of Christian duty. Philip converted to Catholicism without mentioning it to his wife for fear of what she would say. 'I thought that I was not holy enough, even to mention it to her' he said. He continued to learn the parts of the Mass, how to recite the Rosary and to appreciate the Catholic doctrine.

A few days ago, Philip went into hospital, he was asked about the Church he belonged to and without hesitation he said "I belong to the Catholic Church" this amazed his wife who at that moment did not trust her ears! Later he would say to her, "*I have always admired your life whose action is inspired and directed by your catholic beliefs and practices. I decided long ago to become a catholic to share that wealth of integrity of life. I have always been visited by Catholic friends both at home and in hospital, although I'm not known member of the Church. This makes me to wonder and to admire. I want to belong and to share in the deposit of faith they uphold.*"

Last Sunday I visited Philip at his home he expressed the desire to profess the Catholic Faith and to be received into full communion with the Church. Who was I to deny him what he had for so many years longed for! Philip professed the faith, renewed his marriage promises to Sas, he received sacred anointing for the sick, and passed away peacefully. It is the good example of the wife that converted the husband. Imitation is the highest form of praise. So, Philip imitated Sas because it was the highest form of praising her. May he rest in peace.

PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION

Parish Office/Presbytery, Coton Road, Nuneaton CV11 5UA

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The Parish Team:

Parish Priest: Fr Jimmy Lutwama, AJ.-fr.jimmy.lutwama@rcaob.org.uk (07906 124756). Fr. Pius Mmanda, AJ. - fr.pius.mmanda@rcaob.org.uk

Deacons: Rev Mike Skidmore 024 76384406 Rev Phil Bracken 07355 535666

Parish Sisters: Sr Therese & Sr Jacinta (024 76350615 (Presentation Sisters))

Parish Secretary: Ms. Stephanie Taunton (Mon-Fri 9am -1pm)

Schools: Our Lady and St. Joseph Primary School CV11 5TY TEL: 024 76383807

St. Anne's Catholic Primary School Camphill Drive, Nuneaton CV10 0JX

Parishioners with Special Pastoral Ministries

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

Catechist at St. Anne's: Teresa Harriss

Safeguarding representatives: St. Anne Ingrid Klabisz

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

Chair Parish Finance Committee OLA Phil Yeomans

St. Anne Steve Buckle

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 to the Parish Priest or to your Safeguarding Representative immediately. The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times.

Your Parish Safeguarding Representatives are: Christine Scullion and Ingrid Klabisz.

Christine can be contacted at sg.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.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
10th -17th MAY 2026

Our Lady of the Angels Church

Sat 9 th	6:00pm	Pro Populo
Sun 10 th	9:15am	Zachariah's family (Sp. Int)
	11:00am	Guiseppe DelBuso
	5.00pm	Divine Mercy Devotions, Benediction
Daily	9.05am	: Holy Rosary led by parishioners (streamed)
Mon 11 th	9.30am	Sebastian Malickal RIP (10 th ann)
Tue 12 th	9:30am	Thanksgiving
Wed 13 th	9:30am	Thanksgiving for the gifts of work & family
Thu 14 th	9.30am	Leanza's Intentions
	2:00pm	OLST Whole school Mass
	4:00pm	Reception of John Hutchson
	7:00pm	Mass Ascension
Fri 15 th	9:30am	Requiem Mass John Hutchson
Sat 16 th	9:30am	Pat & Gerry McGoldrick
		followed by Confessions, and Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Regular Prayer in church:

Weekdays: Holy Rosary 9.05am led by parishioners (streamed)
Saturdays: 10.00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
Divine Mercy Devotions second Sunday of the month 4.00 -5.00pm
Praise and Worship fourth Sunday of the month 5.00 -6.00pm

St Anne's Holy Mass schedule 10th-17th May

Sat 9 th	5:00pm	Rosie Gilbert RIP
Sun 10 th	10.30	
Mon 11 th	No Mass	
Tue 12 th	9:30am	Michael Raughter (RIP)
Wed 13 th	9:30am	
Thu 14 th	9.30am	Solemnity of Ascension
Fri 15 th	6.00 pm	Adoration and Confessions,
Fri 15 th	7.00pm	Mass John Hutchinson (RIP)

St Josphe's Holy Mass schedule

Sun 10 th	8.30 am	Pat & John Fletcher RIP
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OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

Parish Finances week beginning 03/05/2026

COLLECTION £655.19 of which Gift Aid £265.43
FABRIC FUND £2135.81 of which Gift Aid: £2017.75
MAY Tap & Go: £241.00 of which Gift Aid: £218.00
MAY STANDING ORDER: £1248.67
HOLY PLACES: £405.87

To DONATE
Scan QR Code



2/3rd May Mass attendance 649

Gift Aid it! - to add 25% to the value of your donation contact the parish office!

ST ANNE'S & ST JOSEPH CHURCH COLLECTIONS—FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026

First Collection Gift Aid: £359.01 Non-Gift Aid: £643.30
Building Fund Gift Aid: £751.95 Non-Gift Aid: £368.26
Holy Places: £28.50 ProLife: £10.00
Clergy Training Fund: £107.00 of which Gift Aid: £50

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS—Parish Hall

Dates for your Diary:

MAY

Sun 24th Pentecost Feast £5 per ticket
Mon – 18th Meditation 7:30pm
Tue – 26th Seniors after Mass
Tue – 19/26th Knit & natter 1:30-3:30pm
Tue – 19th First Holy Communion classes 4pm
Wed – 27th Bible Study group after morning Mass
Wed – 15th Coffee morning after Mass
Fri 15/22/29th Alpha Course

JUNE

Wed 3rd Kinship Group 12-1pm
Sat 6th Richard III talk 4pm £5 per ticket

PARISH INTENTIONS

For the sick: Marie Lewis, Mary Browner, David Marsh, Kirsty Kalnins, Codey Darlison, Cynthia Mallabone, David Reeves, Joan Hanlon, Margaret Berkmore, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong, Jim Jarvis, Martin Reed, Alice Guiney, Abi Glenn, Caelan Shannon, 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: John Hutchinson (15th May) & Philip Jennings.

Parishioners whose Anniversaries we remember during the week:

Anniversaries week beginning 10th May 2026

Stella Brogan, Kathleen Dale, Emily Vaughan, Vincenzo Aiello, Wanda Blackford, John Ward, Samuel Martin-Flaven, Bernard Yeomans, Norah Kearns, Kenneth Cartwright, Barbara Clews & George Scoffham.

Fred Wright, Barbara Beauchamp, Kevin Reidy, Brian Sheridan, Bridget Wilson, Pat Fletcher, James O'Flanagan, Chris Jeffcoat, Betty Whitehead, Frankie Carroll, Mavis Goodwin, Dick Feehan, Win Youson, Derick Cox, Bernard Martin, Brian Rothwell, Kate Jackson, Bill Hagen, Rose Cooney, Len Smith and Les Alfrey

Priests' anniversaries during the Week:

Canon Francis Woodward, Rev Cathal Cassidy & Rev Denis Hickling.

Holy Communion information:

Parishioners who take Gluten Free Host at Mass are asked to speak with clergy beforehand so as not to miss out.

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

Clergy May Deanery Meeting will be hosted this time by St. Anne and St Joseph parish Camphill on Tuesday 12th starting at 11:00am until 3:00pm. I wish to thank in advance the team of ladies who will prepare tea, coffee and some Lunch for over 20 priests and deacons who will attend this meeting. Mrs Linda Glover might approach some of you to render a hand, please do not say no.

Lourdes Petitions Kevin Goodyear will be travelling to Lourdes with the Birmingham Pilgrimage on Monday 25th May. If anyone has any petitions, or candle and Mass offerings you wish him to take, please hand them to Steph in the office or post them through the Presbytery letterbox by Saturday 23rd May.

Please Reserve this area: it has been noticed that some parishioners park their vehicles in front of the entrance to St. Anne's Church. Please leave that area free for emergency access. None of us know when we might need an ambulance, a Fire Engine or a quick escape to safety. I appeal to you to find parking at the church carpark at the back of the Church. The front area can be used for pick and drop off only. Thank you.

Recently Departed I was greatly saddened to learn of the death of Philip Jennings the beloved husband of Sas Jennings which occurred on 4th May 2026 shortly before midnight. The other parishioner who died is Mr Kwabena Owusu originally from Ghana who died at George Elliot Hospital. His son Antonio Kwabena studies at St. Thomas More and he is a committed server at the Altar.

Following up Parish & Diocesan Appeal - Thank you to everyone who has already responded so generously to the appeal we launched at the start of the tax year. While we have received a great response, many are likely still discerning their contribution. We still welcome your support as we work together to meet our parish goals. Gift Aid envelopes are available at the back of the church. To update your financial support to the Church you will need to go to the bank to update your Standing Order mandate.

Safeguarding Representatives of St. Anne's and St. Joseph's and of Our Lady of the Angels are reminding us that anyone involved in the Catholic Church particularly those who work with children, young people, or vulnerable adults must undergo safeguarding background check. Young people who are involved in activities such as serving at the Altar who turn 18 and have access to children or vulnerable adults must also have safeguarding check.

Daughters Of Divine Love a Congregation of Sisters will visit St. Anne's and St. Joseph New Erly to make missionary appeals on the weekend of 26th and 27th September. Keep those dates in your diaries please.

This year our Annual Pentecost Feast will be a fundraising event to support Church expenses. It will be held on **Pentecost Sunday 24th May at 12:30pm**. We have 11 countries cooking their national dishes along with an opportunity for the younger children to have a flag of their choice painted on their face for £2. Tickets are £5 for 12yrs and over and are on sale from next weekend 25th April at the Piety Stall and after Mass in the narthex (not at the side door). The tap and go machine has been set up for this event as well, but please make sure that a social committee member or Kath at the piety stall, records your name as you collect your ticket. Please note that tickets will not be available to purchase on the day and entry is by ticket only, which includes a door prize. We have a limited number of tickets due to space so please get yours early. We look forward to seeing you on the 24th of May at 12:30.

Keeping our Church grounds tidy becomes very demanding during spring and summer time, thanks to the parishioners who volunteer their precious time to keep our Church compounds premises nice and tidy.

Young men in school years 9-13 who feel they might be called to the priesthood will meet and explore how to discern, spend time in prayer, and experience seminary life, on Saturday 9 May at St Mary's College, Oscott. Please contact Deacon Owen Gresty (Diocesan Promoter for Vocations) deacon.owen@vocations.org.uk / 0121 321 5135 for more information and to sign up.

PPC Suggestion Box: The Parish Pastoral Council has installed a suggestion box at the back of the church to encourage parishioners to share their ideas and feedback. We warmly welcome constructive suggestions that can help support and strengthen our parish community. All submissions will be read by the Council Secretary and considered carefully. We kindly ask that all comments remain respectful. Any abusive or personal remarks will not be considered. Our aim is to gather positive, thoughtful input that can help us continue to grow together as a parish.

May is the Month of Mary diocesan pilgrimages to Lourdes take place at this time. During this May we have our own procession in honour of the heavenly Mother. I ask the coordinators of this event to plan it properly so that we can together give witness to the Mother of our Savior.

GIFT AID Envelopes: There are still many Gift Aid envelopes to be collected. Please take a look on the wardens table to see if yours is there. Or they can be collected from the parish office during office hours. If you would like to change from envelopes to Standing Order, it's never too late! Just contact the parish office by email or telephone (during office hours) for the parish bank details or, if you are not already a Gift Aider, collect a Gift Aid Declaration form from the back of church (or the office) and once completed return to the office.

Thanks to Church cleaners: who spend their time to clean up our venues of prayer. We must realise that cleaning the church is an expression of one's faith and love of God. Thanks to them for such expression of faith. We need more volunteers to assist in different departments of parish management.

Forthcoming Second Collections weeks ahead.

Sunday 10th May: For the Poor Parishes Mission Fund.

Sunday 17th May: For Catholic Communications.

Sunday 21st June: For Day for Life Charity

Thank you for supporting the Catholic Church in its charitable works worldwide.

Customary Prayers Said at St. Anne & St. Joseph

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