



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

4th – 11th October 2026

AGEING AND LEARNING TO SURRENDER

We have been reflecting on ageing and its impact on the priest with the hope that it will help us to understand how important it is in today's world, to take care of our priests. Some priests have had the privilege to spend many years responsible for a parish, but responsibility can gradually become control. He might begin to think that the parish must continue the way he built it, that ministry must remain under his direction. He might think that the younger priests should follow his methods. But aging eventually forces surrender. The priest cannot control succession. He cannot control his health. He cannot control how history will remember him. He cannot control what will happen to the parish after he leaves. He cannot control death. This is painful—but spiritually fruitful. The priest begins discovering the difference between responsibility and possession. The parish was never his. The ministry was never his. The Church was never his. They belong to Christ. He was entrusted with them for a time.

Many people love their parish, but only a few realise that their priest is sent to them to help them build it. The priest is never the Savior, Christ is. With the people, they are fellow workers in the vineyard. The Church existed before them; it will exist after them. A parish existed before the priest's arrival, it will continue after his departure. When the people find a good priest, they ought to work with him to build up their parish because he will not always be there.

An aging priest like all people advancing in age may eventually review his life. I should have prayed more, I should have been more patient, I should not have said that; I should have visited that person, I was too ambitious, I cared too much about what people thought, I neglected certain friendships, I became angry, I failed someone, I wasted time. These memories can become either a prison or a school. The Gospel does not ask the priest to rewrite his past; it asks him to surrender it to God's mercy. The priest who has spent decades proclaiming God's mercy, must eventually permit that mercy to reach his own history. ***To be continued...***

PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION

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The Parish Team:

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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 Pap, 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:

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.

Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year
4th – 11th October 2026
Our Lady of the Angels Church

Sat 3 rd	6:00pm	Vina Ross RIP
Sun 4 th	9:15am	Neil Patrick Kane RIP
	11:00am	Ann & Jerry O'Connor RIP (ann)
Daily	9:05am:	Holy Rosary led by parishioners (streamed)
Mon 5 th	9:30am	Our Lady of the Angels Parish
Tue 6 th	9:30am	Mrs Baby Joseph RIP – John Hanna RIP
	4:30pm	Reception of Vina Ross
Wed 7 th	9:30am	Requiem for Vina Ross <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>
Thu 8 th	9:30am	Felice Tirabasso RIP (ann)
Fri 9 th	9:30am	Robert & Mary McKillian RIP <i>Saint John Henry Newman</i>
Sat 10 th	9:30am	Pro Populo
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 5:00 -6:00pm
 Praise and Worship fourth Sunday of the month 5.00 -6.00pm

St Anne's Holy Mass schedule 4th – 11th October 2026

Sat 3 rd	5:00pm	
Sun 4 th	10.30am	
Mon 5 th	No Mass	
Tue 6 th	9:30am	
Wed 7 th	9:30am	Marie Trowell RIP <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>
Thu 8 th	9.30am	
Fri 9 th	6.00 pm	Adoration and Confessions <i>Saint John Henry Newman</i>
Sat 10 th	5.00pm	Frank & Janet Kups RIP

St Joseph's Holy Mass schedule 4th – 11th October 2026

Sun 4 th	8.30 am	Marjyam Girish Thanksgiving
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OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

Parish Finances week beginning 27/09/2026

COLLECTION £703.56 of which Gift Aid £220.26

FABRIC FUND £192.50 of which Gift Aid: £192.50

SEPTEMBER Tap & Go: £1434.00 of which Gift Aid: £1139.00

SEPTEMBER Standing Order: £3022.67

Father Hudson's: £164.02

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19/20th September Mass attendance OLA 643

19/20th September Mass attendance St Anne 152

20th September Mass attendance St Joseph 35

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 AUGUST 2026

First Collection Gift Aid: £393.34 Non-Gift Aid: £730.87

Building Fund Gift Aid: £792.94 Non-Gift Aid: £507.69

Apostleship of the Sea: £50.00

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS—Parish Hall

Dates for your Diary:

OCTOBER

Sun 18 th	CAFOD Cake sale
Mon 5/12/19 th	Meditation 7:30pm
Tue 6/20 th	Seniors after Mass
Tue 6/13/20/27 th	Knit & natter 1:30-3:30pm
Tue 6/16/20/27 th	RCIA 7:30pm
Wed 7/14/28 th	Bible Study after Mass
Wed 21 st	Coffee morning after Mass
Wed 28 th	Youth Alpha

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, Abi Glenn, Caelan Shannon, Rachel Anderson, Swaren Baden, Stephen Gilbey, Terry Mallabone, Joan Turnball, Neil Bailey, Jean Skidmore, Pat McAvoy, Mark Hanlon, Roger Payne & Noel Carroll.

Rita Clifford, Richie Bowman, Lyudmyla Vasilenco, John-Joseph Shannon, Joyce Haluk, Diane Compton-Belcher, Anne Franklin & Kate Deeming.

Please remember all those in hospital and parishioners who receive the Blessed Sacrament at home.

For Parishioners recently deceased: Margaret Oulton

Parishioners whose Anniversaries we remember during the week:

Anniversaries week beginning 4th October 2026

Violet Sherman, Margaret Mason, Robert McAfee, Margaret McDonagh, Mary Forsyth, Mathew Stevens, Alan McDonagh, John O'Brien, John Mulcahy, Patsy Smith, Ron Eccles, Francis Brennan & Eileen Smedley.

Jean Donegan, Vic Varden, Sammy Lynch, Vida Saje, Hilda Brady, Janet Kups, Ann Clarke, John Saje, Marie Doyle, Agnes O'Brien, Margaret Tubman, Arthur Richards, Charlie Lynch, Ken Wogan, Michael Lyons, Brenda Comer, Shena Barton, Fr Patrick Meagher, Barrie Allan, Agnes Nash, Betty Mackay, Tina Taggart, Frank Brett, Hilda Weightman, Cynthia Cumaskey, Chris Taplin, Pat Stott, Rita Hagen, Jack Kenk, Phyllis Novak & Tony Howarth.

Priests' anniversaries during the Week:

Rev John Bullen, Canon Anthony Piercy, Rev Philip Casey, Rev John Fitzpatrick, Rev Thomas Power & Deacon Patrick Selwood.

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

Second Collections:

4th October CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

18th October APF World Mission Sunday

Sunday 18th October Nuneaton is holding a 10K run. Starting from the council house at 10am. Organisers have contacted us and assured us that this will not affect parishioners wishing to attend either the 9:15am or 11am Mass.

Guild of St. Stephen Mass to enable the Altar Servers to attend their Diocesan Annual Mass at St. Chads Cathedral Birmingham, a coach has been organised to take them to Birmingham. The Coach will depart from Our Lady of the Angels Church on Saturday 3rd October at 09:30am and return at 2:00pm. I ask Altar servers to attend that Mass.

New Appointments: Archbishop Bernard has appointed Fr Craig Szmidt as the new Dean of St Chad's Cathedral and Parish Priest of Sacred Heart, Aston. Fr Craig currently serves as Vocations Director and Director for On-going Formation, responsibilities which he will continue to undertake when he takes up his new appointment in mid-October. Canon Brian will take up a new appointment in the Archdiocese at the end of November as Parish Priest of St Edward's, Selly Park, following the retirement of Fr Denis McGillycuddy. Ahead of this appointment, Canon Brian will be taking a short sabbatical, which I know will provide him with a welcome time for prayer, study and renewal.

Whole Parish Meeting: took place on Wednesday 30th September in the parish hall. Thanks to the parishioners who turned up and for the discussions that followed. Please note that the Parish Priest's address concerning the state of the parish is available on Facebook and on the parish website. There was no question or clarification requested on his address.

October Month of the Holy Rosary has started. In the difficult war-torn situation of our world, let us follow the counsel of our Blessed Mother to the children of Fatima: "Pray the Rosary so that the world may have peace". Make the Rosary part of your daily prayer in the family. Our Parish Rosary is recited daily at 9:05am. Please join us.

Are you an Italian or of Italian descent an important letter is available on the noticeboard to assist you if you are in need of funds for medical treatment that the NHS has difficulty in providing or for their carers.

Divine Mercy: please note that there will be no Devotions in October, but this will take place on November Sunday 8th. We pray for our priests, for vocations and for our personal intentions. Our November prayers will include the faithful departed and Holy Souls, concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady of the Angels Church. All welcome.

Blessing Newly Stained-Glass windows of Our Lady of the Angels Church will take place on Friday 9th October during 9:30am Mass Feast of St. John Henry Newman. We shall pray for our benefactors and donors of these windows.

New **Bible Study** began on 23rd September after Mass, when we will begin with a 20-week course on the Acts of the Apostles. This is a video teaching. All welcome. Bring a notebook and pen. Starts at about 10:15 with a cuppa and finishes about 11:45

Catenians Date for your diary: the Nuneaton and Hinckley Catenians will take the lead in the 9:30am Mass at Our Lady's on Wednesday 11th November. (Remembrance Day) at Our Lady of the Angels.

Youth Monthly get together every 4th Wednesday of the month (starting September 23rd, 7-9pm in the Parish Hall) all young people (secondary school/sixth form age) are invited. For more information Lianne Pap (liannepap@gmail.com) or Pat Rudkin

Feasts during the week Monday, Tuesday, **Wednesday** Our Lady of the Rosary, Thursday, **Friday:** John Henry Newman, Saturday.

CAFOD Family Fast Day, 2 October 2026 invites parish communities to put their faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Through support for CAFOD's Harvest Appeal, our parishes can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens. Please support CAFOD's appeal. Further information and parish collection resources are available at cafod.org.uk/parish

Blessing of Graves 2026: given the bad weather that we encounter in November, blessing the graves of our departed parishioners and family members will take place on Sunday 11th October 2026 starting with Oaston Road cemetery at 3:00pm. This is an important act of piety, to pray for the dead.

The Diocesan Education Service seeking committed individuals with strategic experience in Catholic Life and Mission, education, finance, law and

compliance, human resources or operations and estates, to employ in the running and management of St John Paul II and St Teresa of Calcutta MACs. By 2029, it is expected to comprise 49 schools serving more than 18,000 pupils across Sutton Coldfield, Walsall, Willenhall, Bilston, Lichfield, Tamworth and areas of North Birmingham including Erdington, Acocks Green and Handsworth. **Key dates:** applications close at 12 noon on Friday 16 October 2026; online interviews will take place during the week commencing 19 October; appointments will be confirmed by Friday 23 October; and the mandatory induction day will be held at Don Bosco House, Coleshill, on 12 November, 10.00am–3.00pm. Further information is available in the recruitment pack. Please contact me at academies@bdes.org.uk or on 07984 528321 with any questions or expressions of interest.

Customary Prayers Said at St. Anne's & St. Joseph's

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