



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

12 th March	Vigil Mass	Saturday	6.30 pm	St Joseph	Marlis Bieger RIP
13 th March	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Patricia Maiden RIP
			10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
14 th March		Monday	9.30 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
15 th March		Tuesday	9.30 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
16 th March		Wednesday	9.00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			10.00 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
17 th March		Thursday	9.30 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
18 th March		Friday	9.30 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	NO LATIN MASS THIS WEEK
19 th March	Vigil Mass	Saturday	6.30 pm	St Joseph	Gillian Ford RIP
20 th March	Palm Sunday	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Pro Populo
			10.30 am	St Joseph	Denys Hancock's Intentions

Confession Times: Wednesday: 9.15 am – 9.45 am; Saturday: 11.30 am – 12.00 noon & 5.15 pm – 5.45 pm

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 12 th March	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 13 th March
Welcomers	J Williamson & C Berrie		P Donn & J Hickie
Readers	R Streeter & M Donn	B Moore	H Davis & P Reilly
Minister of Eucharist	R Miller & K Wigmore	F Wignall	M Mildner & J Burns
Coffee			R Duncan & R Hunt
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 19 th March	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 20 th March
Welcomers	S & N Taylor		T & C Slattery
Readers	T Reilly & R Lott	B McDonald	I Kearney-Rose & J Burns
Minister of Eucharist	M Donn & M Port	A Loring	B Ivory & R Tennant
Coffee			J & B Nash
Church Cleaning	R Jones & C Berrie		

Parish Website	www.stjosephs-oakham.org	
Primary School – English Martyrs	Willow Crescent, Oakham	www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk
Acting Head Teacher	Mrs A Chambers	Tel: 01572 722400
Children's Liturgy Group	For children up to First Holy Communion	10.30 am Mass in term time
Safeguarding Representative	Irene Kearney Rose	Tel: 01572 823883
Parish Support Group - HELP	Hilary Davis	Tel: 01572 724256
Prayer Groups	Martin & Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
Chairman – Parish Pastoral Council	Sarah Archer	Tel: 01572 756622
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING WHO ARE ILL: Colleen Lully, Mary Hurst, Bernadette Wilkinson, Mary Crump, Sarah Ennis, Marie-Jeanne Lloyd-Hughes, Eileen Cox, Enid Wootton, Susan Healey, Helen Reilly, Stephen Walters, Christopher Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Maura & Mike Goulding, Philip Quinn, Simon Duncan, Fiona Ruddle, Theresa Thompson, Patricia Slater, Monique Pryke, Tim Maskell, John O'Brien, Elisabeth Simpson, Claire Smith, Peter Tookey, Bill Hiscocks, Sharon Larkworthy, Mark Smith, Tim White, Helena Woolford, Megan Owens, Veronica Wands, Robert Johnstone, Monica Holt, Tricia Brophy, Michael Rimmer, John Rhodes, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Mike Ellis, Yvonne Trevor, Virginia Barwell, Cindy & Graham Johnston

Anniversaries † Peter Rafferty, Vera Williamson, John Wyatt, Christopher Morris, Leslie Gauntlett, Patricia Maiden, Thomas Rouane, George Stephens, James O'Connor, Geoffrey Brown, Desmond McGuinness, Daniel McConnell, Francis Wileman, John Nolan & Thomas Tutty

Last Week's Collection

Loose Plate	£216.09
Envelopes	£183.84
S/O	£540.00
Totals	£939.93

Feast of the Divine Mercy We will be celebrating the Feast of the Divine Mercy with Mass at St. Joseph's on Sunday 3rd April at 2.30 p.m. If you would like more information, please contact Bridget Francis on 01572 812289.

Refreshments will be available after Mass.

Don't forget to join us for coffee after Mass on Wednesday and Sunday.



Churches Together – Lent Lunches will take place on Fridays at 12.00 noon to 1.00 pm from 19th February through to 18th March in All Saints Church Meeting Room, Church Street, Oakham. Soup lunch costs £3.50. A special occasion to meet with members of other Churches and raise funds for Christian Aid.

Sunday Masses at Uppingham in the School Chapel at 12.15 pm:

- 15th May
- 12th June

Advance Notice Our Parish Day of Renewal will take place on Thursday 28th April at the Franciscan Convent, Melton Mowbray. Theme of the day is "You are my beloved". Further details nearer the time.

Mass at Exton In the unlikely event of mass at Exton having to be cancelled, we will endeavour to let you know in advance by email if you give Fr Stephen your email address.

Easter Flowers Next weekend (19th/20th March), there will be a retiring collection at Masses at St Joseph's for the Easter flowers. Many thanks in anticipation. Maureen Mildner

Red Mission Box holders Please collect the Spring edition of 'Mission Today' from the back of the church.

Planned Giving Envelopes The new sets of envelopes are now available. Please collect yours from the Meeting Room after Mass.

Repository Stall After a hugely successful period running our Repository Stall, Sarah and Denyse Morrell would like to hand it over to the next willing volunteer/s. Sarah estimates that a few hours set aside each week and obviously some time on a Sunday morning is all the time required and they are both more than happy to help with the handover period. This is a great opportunity to help the Parish and ideal for newer parishioners who are keen to socialise and get to know everyone. Fr Stephen is immensely grateful to Sarah and Denyse for all their hard work in making our Repository Stall so successful. For further information, please contact Sarah Archer on 01572 756622 or saraharcher46@btinternet.com.

200 Club Winners The 200 Club winners for February are: 1st Prize of £100 - Hilary Smith; 2nd Prize of £29 – Denys Hancock; 3rd Prize of £17 – Hanna Coomber. We are very keen to attract new members to our fundraising club. If you would like the chance to win £100 with just £2 per month contribution, please contact Sarah Archer or find the application forms in the Church foyer.

Pre-school Toys We would like to improve our facilities for our pre-school parishioners. If you have any suitable toys (non-noisy!) which you could donate, would you please leave them in the box provided in the kitchen. We are also looking for a small child's table if you have one to donate! Please contact Sarah Archer for further information. Many thanks.

The Church Mouse We will be publishing 3 issues of *The Church Mouse* this year, the first issue will be available early May. This is our parish booklet and we want to ensure that we get input from our parishioners of what they would like to see included in it. Therefore, we would really appreciate you taking the time to fill in a questionnaire – copies are available in the church porch. Thanks in advance.

Student Cross – Help needed – Saturday 19th March 2016 It's that time of year again. Every year, students set out on a 120 mile pilgrimage from Leicester to Walsingham carrying a large cross. On their way, they stop off at parishes and spend the night on church floors. In Oakham, we try to help them on their journey by offering them a meal and a chance to freshen up. The students always mention how much they enjoy their time in Oakham. If you could spare just a couple of hours on the evening of 19th March, offering a meal to a couple of lovely students before returning them to church for the night, please let me know. It's a great opportunity to help during Lent and very enjoyable too! Please fill in the form in the church porch or call Helen Jones on 01572 759406. Thank you.

Refugees During Lent, the book sale will continue in the meeting room every day. All donations raised will be sent to the Cafod Appeal for the Refugees. Please just pop your donation in the box. Many thanks.

Mary's Meals Thank you for your continued support for the backpacks. We have sent 74 backpacks so far and have recently completed another 19. We are looking for donations of backpacks suitable for 4-12 year olds and summer shoes, such as flip flops. We would be happy with second hand items. If anyone could spare an hour to help put together some backpacks in the Stable Block at St. Joseph's, please contact Bridget Francis on 01572 812289.

English Martyrs School news We have had a joyful celebration of the Year of Mercy in school on 4th March. The children, parents, grandparents and some of our parishioners had soup and a bread accompaniment for their lunch and have been given, by school, a commemorative 'Year of Mercy' wrist band. The children have also decorated their classroom 'Door of Mercy'. Fr Stephen came in at lunch time to join us before our Family Liturgy.

Please note: Any cheques made out to the Parish should read **St. Joseph's Oakham RCP**. Thank you.

A very warm welcome to all our visitors this weekend