



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM &  
ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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## Second Sunday of Lent

24 <sup>th</sup> February	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	David Cashman RIP
25 <sup>th</sup> February	Second Sunday of Lent	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Joseph & Jeanne Meschini RIP
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
			5.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross
26 <sup>th</sup> February	Lenten Feria	Monday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Hilary McNabb RIP
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Lenten Feria	Tuesday	9.30 am	St Joseph	Service of Word & Holy Communion
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Lenten Feria	Wednesday	9.00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			10.00 am	Holy Mass	Emily, Arthur & Alfred Lambert RIP
1 <sup>st</sup> March	St David	Thursday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	John Fahy RIP
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Lenten Feria	Friday	9.30 am	St Joseph	Service of Word & Holy Communion
			10.00 am - 11.00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	<b>NO LATIN MASS THIS WEEK</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Henry Ferguson RIP
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Third Sunday of Lent	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Bernard Colvin & the Colvin Family
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
			12.15 pm	Uppingham School Chapel	Holy Souls in Purgatory
			5.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross

**Confession Times:** Wednesday: 9.15 am – 9.45 am; Saturday: 11.30 am – 12.00 noon & 3.15 pm – 3.45 pm

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> February
Welcomers	T & B Reilly		P Reilly & Y Trevor
Readers	J Alston & J Widdows	L Smith	R Tennant & C Miller
Minister of Holy Communion	R Lott & M Port	J Aitkens	M Pryke & M Donn
Coffee			R Hunt & R Duncan
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> March
Welcomers	S & N Taylor		F Rhowbotham & P Donn
Readers	M Vincent & T Reilly	P Pitts	J Burns & M Port
Minister of Holy Communion	E Worrall & B Black	L Knowland	F Rhowbotham & K Wigmore
Coffee			J & B Nash
Church Cleaning	P Boak & F Quatabina		

<b>Parish Website</b>	<a href="http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org">http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org</a>	
<b>Primary School – English Martyrs</b>	Willow Crescent, Oakham	<a href="http://www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk">www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk</a>
<b>Head Teacher</b>	Alison Chambers	Tel: 01572 722400
<b>Children's Liturgy Group</b>	For children up to First Holy Communion	11.00 am Mass in term time
<b>Safeguarding Representative</b>	Irene Kearney-Rose	Email: <a href="mailto:irene@kearney-rose.co.uk">irene@kearney-rose.co.uk</a> Tel: 07743 030 460
<b>Parish Support Group - HELP</b>	Hilary Davis	Tel: 01572 724256
<b>Prayer Groups</b>	Martin & Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
<b>Chairman - Parish Pastoral Council</b>	Jim O'Kane	Tel: 01572 755112
<b>Parish Newsletter</b>	Eileen Worrall	<a href="mailto:eileenworrall@hotmail.com">eileenworrall@hotmail.com</a>

**Please pray for the following who are ill:** Colleen Lully, Mary Hurst, Sarah Ennis, Marie-Jeanne Lloyd-Hughes, Enid Wootton, Susan Healey, Helen Reilly, Stephen Walters, Christopher Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Maura and Mike Goulding, Philip Quinn, Simon Duncan, Fiona Ruddle, Theresa Thompson, Patricia Slater, Monique Pryke, Tim Maskell, Elisabeth Simpson, Claire Smith, Peter Tookey, Bill Hiscocks, Sharon Larkworthy, Mark Smith, Tim White, Helena Woolford, Megan Owens, Robert Johnstone, Michael Rimmer, John Rhodes, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Virginia Barwell, Cindy Johnston, Mary Lambert, John Owens (Snr), Michael Gardiner, Helen Wilson, Baby Luke Somerville, Graham Andrews, John Widdows, May Carrie, Margaret West-Sadler, Lewis Paul, Floss Jepson, Angela Munton, Nigel Stark, Shane Spencer, Phillip Botteley, Andrena Lynch, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Avril Thompson, Jeffrey Miller, Fr Dominic O'Connor, Fr Kevin Clark, Fr Michael Bell, John and Rosemary Went, Cathy Green, Bernard Gandy, John and Shirley Parminter, Roly Marriott, Catherine Farnell, Amanda Messer and Fr David Bowler

**Anniversaries †** John Tyler, Denis Cullen, Daniel Brennan-Smith, Angela Hindley-Bromann, Thomas Tutly, Martin Stimson, Margaret Duffy, Francis Kilkenny, Gertie Colin and James Cregan

**Last Week's Collection**  
 Envelopes £279.05  
 Loose Plate £236.27  
 Standing Orders £540.00  
 Total £1,055.32  
 There will be a collection for CAFOD at all Masses this weekend.

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



**Deanery Events in Lent**  
**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March:** “24 hours with the Lord, Melton Mowbray (see below)  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – St Augustine’s, Stamford: 6.30 – 7.15 pm Confessions followed by Station Mass  
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March** – St Gilbert’s, Bourne: 6.30 – 7.15 pm Confessions followed by Station Mass  
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – St Joseph’s, Oakham: Penitential Service, Confessions, Adoration and Benediction 7.00 – 8.00 pm  
**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – St Mary the Immaculate, Grantham: Penitential Service, Confessions, Adoration and Benediction 7.00 – 8.00 pm.

**Uppingham School Masses** in the School Chapel will be celebrated at 12.15pm on:

- 4<sup>th</sup> March
- 22<sup>nd</sup> April
- 20<sup>th</sup> May
- 17<sup>th</sup> June

**24 hours for the Lord** Sign up to keep watch at our Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday/Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> March. Answer Pope Francis’ and Bishop Patrick’s call to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Spending time quietly before the Lord can give great benefits in our lives. It can allow Him to touch us in a deeper way. We can pray for our own intentions, for the future of our Parish and for all the troubles in the world. Exposition will start on Friday afternoon in St Francis’ School then; 2.45 – 11.00 pm at the Convent Chapel; 11.00 pm – 10.00 am Saturday at St Peter’s and 10.00 am - 6.00 pm at St. John’s.

**Our sincere condolences** to the family and friends of Lizzie Winchester who died recently. Please remember her in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

**"Adoremus"** The Bishops of England and Wales will hold a National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool from 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Cardinal Nichols wrote: **"We seek to rejuvenate Eucharistic adoration in our parishes as the source of strength for our lives and for our mission, that of making present the love and compassion of Jesus in our society."** Bishop Patrick has said **"It is Christ whom we truly encounter in the Eucharist who sends us out into our community and wider world to encounter him in the poor and the marginalised, and to respond as we can."** We are asked to send delegates to the Congress and more importantly to respond as a Parish by increasing our understanding of the Eucharist and practice of Eucharistic Adoration. As a start, we will be holding a series of DVD presentations on The Eucharist by Bishop Robert Barron on the following Mondays – 26<sup>th</sup> February, 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 pm in the Meeting Room. Do please make every effort to attend these sessions. You will not leave unaffected. Bishop Barron is an eloquent, persuasive and sound presenter of the Catholic faith and its rich heritage.

**Women's World Day of Prayer** will take place at Oakham Baptist Church, Melton Road on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 2.00 pm. Everyone welcome.

**Rutland and Melton Mowbray SPUC Branch** monthly meeting takes place in Melton on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 pm. Bridget Francis can give anyone a lift. Please give Bridget a call if you need a lift or for further information: 01572 812289.

**Church Mouse** We will be producing an edition of the Church Mouse in time for Easter. We would really like to have more stories, articles, recipes, etc from parishioners, so if you have anything to put in this edition, please either email it to eileenworrall@hotmail.com or leave it in an envelope in the Church porch, addressed to "Church Mouse". The deadline for articles is 12<sup>th</sup> March.

**Mary's Meals** A huge thank you for all your continued support. 620 backpacks have now been sent thanks to your generosity! Can you help with flip-flops, sandals or pencil cases? If so, please just pop them in the box in the Church porch. Many thanks.

**CAFOD** All money during Lent will be doubled by the Government, so whatever is raised from our little bookstall will help even more refugees. Do take a look. Different books appear almost daily. Thank you.

**Mother's Prayers** will be held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 2.00 pm at 5 Old Brewery Court, Somerby. For further information, please contact Lorraine on 01664 452117.

**Lent Lunches** Soup and cheese lunches will be served every Friday in Lent in All Saints Church Hall from 12.00 -1.30pm. Cost £3.50 - proceeds to Christian Aid Fair Trade stall. Come and share with friends. A warm welcome to all.

**Please note:** The Council will be carrying out road resurfacing from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March, which may cause disruption to your journey to St Joseph's. Further details are available on the noticeboard in the Church Porch.

**Book of Remembrance** This is an ongoing project so if at any time you wish to have the names of loved ones inscribed in our book, please collect a slip from the Church porch which gives details of what to do. Thank you.

**Our Sick List** If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please make Fr Stephen aware or email Maria at: rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

**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**

**English Martyrs School News** The FEM cake sale raised just over £270 from sales at school and then subsequently at St Joseph's. Your support is much appreciated.

Our KS1 pupils attended a Multi-skills event at Ashwell Hub this week, competing with other local primary schools. They had a great day and Team 1 came first in the competition!

The children in KS2 were very lucky on Monday afternoon. Screen Writer Billy Ivory came in to school to run a series of drop in sessions which allowed the children to discuss their ideas for the 500 words story writing competition and receive advice and hints from an experienced writer. It was very informative and useful for the children to get an alternative perspective on their writing. Five Year 6 children were invited to take part in the UK Mathematics Trust Intermediate Primary Maths Challenge in the last week of last term, this was based on their performances in previous challenges. The results came in this week and are very good indeed. Eddy, Charlotte and Harry all achieved a gold award, whilst Edward and Tara both achieved a silver award.

**St. Joseph's Parish Sewing Group** meets in the Meeting Room on Saturdays (except the last Saturday of the month) from 1.30 pm to 3.30 p.m. Come and share tea/coffee, company, conversation and expertise. Bring your own project, sewing, knitting, embroidery etc. Meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> March. Any questions, telephone Jenny Urquhart on 01572 770580.

**Date for your diary** LACY "Countryside Stations of the Cross": Calling all young people, your families, your friends to share a "Journey with Jesus" as we make the Stations of the Cross around the fields and footpaths of Mount St Bernard Abbey from 1.30 – 6.00 pm on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March. A great way to celebrate the story of Jesus' Passion through readings, drama and song. A Mass celebration will follow on afterwards in the Abbey Church and then light refreshments will be served in the retreat area. Coach going from Leicester with departures as follows: 12 noon St. Mary's, Countesthorpe Road, South Wigston; 12.15 pm St Thomas More, Knighton and 12.30/40 pm from Sacred Heart, Mere Road, Leicester. Return journey in reverse order. Cost: £5 per person or £10 for a family. Please see notice board for form for booking seats, and information if you wish to share in the different ministries of the occasion. Details required by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March. For more information, contact [paulinepayne@hotmail.com](mailto:paulinepayne@hotmail.com). Come and see! Come and share! LACY are looking forward to seeing you. All are welcome.

**The National Novena to St Joseph** will take place from 10<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> March at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead and Herbert House, Freshfield, Liverpool. Each year, the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society and the missionary outreach of the Church, as well as for the intentions of all those who support their work. You are invited to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena booklet to enable you to join in from home by praying the daily Novena prayer. Please write to Fr Liam Cummins MHM, St Joseph's Missionary Society, 58 Cookham Road, Maidenhead, SL6 7HT, or email [novenamhm@gmail.com](mailto:novenamhm@gmail.com).

**Hear My Prayer** – Beautiful reflective music for Lent including Thomas Tallis's Lamentations and works by Byrd, Taverner, Josquin, Purcell and others. Performed by Divers Voyces, directed by Jeremy Jepson at St Joseph's on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00 pm. Tickets £7 (children under 16 free), including refreshments. Available from Anne de Kremer on 01572 724873 or on the door.

**Faith in Families** It is once again time for the half yearly collection of boxes. Please leave in the sacristy or give to Mair O'Kane. Please do not leave full boxes in the Church porch. Only returned empty boxes will be put in the porch for your re-collection. Please be assured that all donations from your Parish will be used to support our children and family's services. Thank you so much for your continued support and generosity.

**SPUC "March for Life"** will be held in London for the first time on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May, in Westminster Central Hall. A bus or coach will leave from St Joseph's Oakham (time to be confirmed closer to the event). Subsidised cost of only £10 (aged 14 years and under travel free). Please email Bridget Francis on [bafrancis3@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:bafrancis3@tiscali.co.uk) to book a place. Organised by SPUC Rutland & Melton Mowbray Branch. All are welcome, thank you.

**Annual Mass for the Loss of Children – Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 10.00 am** A Mass will be held at Our Lady & St Joseph Church, Matlock, celebrated by Fr Robbie O'Callaghan. This Mass will be offered in memory of children who have died at whatever age or however long ago. It is hoped that this will be a source of hope and grace to all. All are welcome to attend this Mass and Ceremony of Light. If you cannot attend but wish to submit a prayer for a loved one in the Mass, please forward them to Our Lady & St Joseph's Catholic Church, The Presbytery, 1 St Joseph Street, Matlock, DE4 3NG or email to [info@matlockcatholicchurch.org.uk](mailto:info@matlockcatholicchurch.org.uk). (Please do not send money, as this is not required. Thank you.)

**Homeless and Rough Sleeping in Oakham** "I was a stranger and you invited me in" Matthew 26:35.

Many of us in our churches feel concerned about the homeless locally and want to help but are uncertain how best to go about it. A meeting is being held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 10.30 - 11.45 am in Oakham Baptist Church. Professionals from RCC will attend to explain local services for our homeless and how we as Christians can support them. Jesus in His ministry frequently focussed on such marginalised people, so here is an opportunity for us to do the same.