



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM &

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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## Palm Sunday

24 <sup>th</sup> March	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Tim O'Rourke RIP
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Palm Sunday	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Charles Wolesley RIP
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
			5.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday of Holy Week	Monday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Elizabeth Keogh's Intentions
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Tuesday of Holy Week	Tuesday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	For Emily
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Spy Wednesday	Wednesday	8.00 am	Holy Mass	The Hutton Family
			9.00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			11.30 am	Chrism Mass at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham	
			5.00 pm	St Joseph	Confessions
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Maundy Thursday	Thursday	7.30 pm	Holy Mass	Mary Hickie RIP
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Good Friday Day of Fasting and Abstinence	Friday	10.00 am	Walk of Witness	
			3.00 pm	St Joseph	Good Friday Liturgy
			5.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross
			6.00 pm	St Joseph	Confessions (until 7.00 pm)
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	<b>NO LATIN MASS THIS WEEK</b>
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Holy Saturday	Saturday	8.00 pm	St Joseph	Jim Smith RIP
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter Sunday Solemnity of the Resurrection	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	The Gainsborough Family
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo

**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> March	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> March
Welcomers	R Lott & C Berrie		P Reilly & Y Trevor
Readers	T Reilly & S Taylor	G Webb	I Kearney-Rose & N O'Rourke
Minister of Holy Communion	A Wilkinson & J Widdows	J Aitkens	M Mildner & F Rhowbotham
Coffee			P Morton & J Fay
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> April
Welcomers	P & M Sturley		F Rhowbotham & P Donn
Readers	J Widdows, M Port & C Miller	Viscount Campden	M Mildner & L Perril
Minister of Holy Communion	J Burns, J Aitkens & M Donn	L Knowland	A Wilkinson, B Ivory, M Pryke & K Wigmore
Coffee			H Davis & C Jones
Church Cleaning	C Farmer & H Coomber		

<b>Parish Website</b>	<a href="http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org">http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org</a>	
<b>English Martyrs Primary School</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, Catherine Farndell, Amanda Messer, Fr David Bowler, Aileen Egan, Melissa Barker, David Tookey and Sylvia Minckley

**Anniversaries †** Ronald Farnworth, Rose Perry, Marjorie Burke, Audrey Rosevear, Henry Harper, Jim Smith, Maureen Mather, Walentyna Wojteu, Lily Simpson, Henry Sanders, Patrick Roche and Sheila Stimson

**Last Week's Collection**

Envelopes	£127.85
Loose Plate	£223.55
Standing Orders	£540.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£891.40</b>

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



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

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

**Holy Week** The week following Palm Sunday is the most sacred time in the Church's year when we recall in our liturgies the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. In particular, as witnesses for Christ in our world, we should make every effort to be present at Church during the Triduum – the three sacred days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, so that these celebrations will have an effect in our lives. On Holy Thursday, we celebrate the Ministerial Priesthood and the Royal Priesthood of all the Faithful and the First Mass. On Good Friday, we commemorate the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ in Scripture, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion. (Mass is not celebrated on this day). In the evening on Good Friday, the Stations of the Cross are an opportunity for us to identify personally with the mystery of the death of Our Lord for our redemption. As the Sacred Three Days reaches its climax, we celebrate the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening when our salvation history is commemorated in Sacred Scripture and the blessing of the Easter Candle – the light of Christ coming into our lives, the Glory of His rising from the dead.

**Sincere thanks** to the 15 people who attended the Parish Penitential Service last Thursday at St Joseph's. **Please note** there will be no confessions on Holy Saturday.

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be a collection on Good Friday during the service. This is a mandatory collection for Holy Places in Palestine. Fr. Stephen asks if we can be prepared for this, so that the collection may be taken up as quickly and quietly as possible, so as not to detract from the solemnity of the service.

**After the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening** we have a tradition of having a small celebration in the Meeting Room. If anyone would like to contribute a small plate of finger food for this, please leave it in the Meeting Room before Mass and join us for a drink and a chat afterwards. Contact Maureen for further information on 756477.

**Easter Flowers** Many thanks for your generosity - £241.79 was collected at Mass last week for our Easter flowers. There will still be white ribbons available after Mass for anyone wanting to remember a deceased loved one, which will be attached to a flower.

**Divine Mercy Service - Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April - 2.30 pm** Fr Stephen and a visiting Priest will celebrate the Divine Mercy Service on the first Sunday after Easter Sunday. Please make a note in your diary and please attend. Refreshments available afterwards in the Meeting Room. "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of Mercy, shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (This is the Promise made by Our Lord to Saint Faustina.)

**Blessed Sacrament Procession** On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00 pm, Bishop Patrick will lead the annual Blessed Sacrament Procession, as we witness to our faith through the streets of central Nottingham, starting at St Mary's, Hyson Green, and proceeding to the Cathedral for Benediction at around 4.00 pm. After Benediction, we will pause to pray before the tomb of the Venerable Mary Potter to pray for her Beatification. For more information, please make contact with Fr David Palmer: catholicdavid@me.com. In addition, we encourage your parishioners to come and join us, before the Blessed Sacrament Procession, for the study morning at St Mary's, Hyson Green. Bishop Patrick will open the morning in prayer at 10.00 am and we will finish just before the start of the procession. The study morning will be looking at the Eucharist. For more information, please contact formation@nrcdt.org.uk.

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

**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.

**English Martyrs School News** Our Boccia team travelled to Hinckley on Tuesday to represent Rutland in the Level 3 Leicestershire and Rutland Boccia Finals. The team were superb, winning both of their group rounds to go into the finals stage as group winners. They then went on to win the title of Leicestershire and Rutland Champions!

Well done to the 10 Year 6 children who represented Rutland in the Leicestershire School Games Basketball Finals on Monday. They played incredibly well but found the opposition to be too much. It was still a fantastic achievement to reach the County competition. Our children have been busy this week taking part in activities to raise money for the four house charities – NSPCC, CAFOD, Mary's Meals and Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance. They have taken part in an assault course, sweet tombola, cake sale and enjoyed a film afternoon.

Our children enjoyed the lovely Mass at Church to celebrate St Joseph's day this week.

**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**