

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Please pray for the following who are ill: Meryl Vincent, Angela Kirkup, Claire Smith, Ita Jones, David Price, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, NicholasTomlinson, Monique Pryke and Elisabeth Simpson.

If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list with their written permission, please contact Maria at rechurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk OR please ask them to complete the form below and return to Maria in the Parish Office. Many thanks.

Permission form for Sick list

I give my permission for my name to be published in St Joseph's Newsletter and on their (St Joseph's) website in the Newsletter tab.

Print Name....

Signature...... Date......

Anniversaries † Declan O'Brien, John Murrell, Violet Brophy, Lee Cole, Elizabeth Rubini, Ruth Tennant, Richard Turnbull, Louis McMillan, John Wooton, Mabel Jenkins, James Stokes, William Rothwell, Liam Caffrey, Catherine Sumner-Fergusson, Elizabeth Doyle and Michael Gardiner

Last week's collection

Collections£177.22Planned Giving and Donations£681.00Total£858.22

<u>If you know any parishioners</u> who are not well, in hospital or need a little support and would like a visit, please let Maria know using this email address <u>rechurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk</u> or call 01572 722308. It is very important for all our parishioners to feel part of our community - if we don't know we cannot help.

<u>Don't forget</u> to join us for light refreshments after Holy Mass on Wednesday and Sunday.



Parish Office Telephone contact: For all Parish enquiries, please contact Maria on the office number or via email, or Canon Peter via email. In the case of an emergency, please ring the office number – the end message will advise you who to contact.

<u>If you would like to offer Holy Mass</u> for friends/family/relatives, please obtain <u>their written permission</u> for <u>their names</u> to go into the public domain, ie Newsletter and the Newsletter online. This is the guidance for <u>GDPR</u> data protection, from our Nottingham Diocese. If you would like a specific date, please give plenty of notice.

<u>Holy Mass Intentions</u> Please use the brown envelopes in the Church porch for Holy Mass intentions, including any offering you wish to make (ensure you have a signature for those who are living). ALL REQUESTS FOR HOLY MASS MUST BE HANDED IN TO THE PARISH OFFICE. Many thanks.

<u>Holy Mass</u> Canon Peter will be offering Holy Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning at St Joseph's at the end of each month. He looks forward to getting to know you all.

There is a meeting for Extraordinary Ministers after Holy Mass this Sunday 28th April, therefore there will be no coffee.

Children's Liturgy There will be no children's liturgy until the last half term of this school year.

Second Collection The second collection for the Clergy Formation Fund raised £320.37. Many thanks for your generosity.

CREDO Please note the Credo group will meet every Thursday in the Meeting Room at 6.00 pm. Everyone welcome!

Aid for Chad and Peru Whatever you donate for the poor of Chad and Peru is truly a gift of life! So, if you have any unwanted clothes, we would be absolutely delighted to have them to sell. Please just pop them on the Chad chair in Fr Stephen's porch. As they say in Chad: "We send you all a thank you as big as an elephant!" Thanks so.much for the lovely clothes donated this week. With the money raised we hope to buy a.consignment of medicines.

English Martyrs School News

Dear Parishioners, I am delighted to introduce myself as the new Headteacher at English Martyrs primary school. My name is Gosia Brown and I reside in nearby Melton Mowbray, where I am also Headteacher at St Francis. I will be sharing my time equally between the two schools and so far, whilst a challenge, I am very much enjoying my new role. I have always taught in Catholic schools and English Martyrs has already crept into my heart as a wonderful faith community where I have been welcomed so well and already feel a part of the team. I look forward to meeting some of you in the near future and I will continue to share news of what is happening in school with the Parish community.

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Fifth Sunday of Easter: Jesus taught us to pray to our heavenly Father, acknowledging our total dependence on him and trusting entirely in his providential care. Prayer of petition arises naturally in our hearts. In the Bible we see countless prayers to God to intervene in situations of sickness, injustice, betrayal and despair. Even the simple cry, "Lord, help me!" is itself a powerful prayer. God always hears the cry of those who call upon him. To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

<u>The latest edition of the Diocesan E-Magazine</u> can be viewed on the diocesan website. Subscribe for free to receive it directly, using this link. (www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/nottingham-diocesan-e-magazine-easter-2024)

<u>A choral concert of music in honour of Our Lady, Queen of the May</u>, is being given by the combined forces of Nottingham Cathedral Choir, Salford Cathedral Choir, and Nottingham Cathedral Choir Alumni, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral on Saturday 11th May at 7.45 pm. All are very welcome to attend.

Bishop Patrick invites you to a free online webinar, on Tuesday 21st May, 6.00-8.00 pm, led by best-selling author and eminent speaker, Sherry Weddell. Sherry has developed numerous unique formation resources that are used around the world, and she will share her inspirational ideas on how Catholics can explore their Mission to bring all people closer to Christ. The seminar will be particularly relevant to parish catechists, teachers, pastoral ministers, religious, priest and deacons, and parishioners who wish to know more about evangelisation. This seminar will help re-energise Catholics to be strong Missionary Disciples. Don't miss this opportunity to attend this free event: register at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/sw

Sherry Weddell is co-founder and co-Director of the Catherine of Siena Institute. Sherry is the author of 'Forming Intentional Disciples'; 'Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples'; and 'Fruitful Discipleship: Living the Mission of Jesus in the Church and in the World'.

Canon Jonathan Cotton will present a talk The New Evangelisation: How's it going for you?, on Thursday 13th June at 7.00 pm in the Hutton Hall, Rosmini Centre, LE7 4SJ.

Book of Remembrance This is an ongoing project, so if you wish to have the names of loved ones inscribed in our book, please contact Maria at rechurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk

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

<u>Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders</u> If you wish to contribute via the parish bank account, please contact Maria at Many thanks for your ongoing support.