



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM &

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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## Third Sunday of Advent



14 <sup>th</sup> December	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Saturday	11.00am	St Joseph	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	Vigil Mass		4.30 pm		Pro Populo
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Holy Souls in Purgatory
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pauline Smith RIP
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Advent Feria	Monday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	The Perez Family
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Advent Feria	Tuesday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Mary Donn RIP
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Advent Feria	Wednesday	9.00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			10.00 am	Holy Mass	The Bullimore Family (In Memory of Jake)
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Advent Feria	Thursday	<b>12.00 noon</b>	Holy Mass	Requiem Mass for Robert Johnstone
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Advent Feria	Friday	<b>9.15 am</b>	Holy Mass in <b>English Martyrs School</b> School Intentions	
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	No Latin Mass
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Saturday	11.00am	St Joseph	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	Vigil Mass		4.30 pm	St Joseph	Deceased members of the Hatton Family
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Fourth Sunday of Advent	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Claudia Scott Moncrieff RIP
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
			3.00 pm	St Joseph	<b>PENITENTIAL SERVICE</b>

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

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	
	4.30 pm (St Joseph)	9.00 am (Exton)	11.00 am (St Joseph)
Welcomers	E Worrall & J O'Shea	J Hickie & F Rhowbotham	
Readers	R Lott & A de Kremer	C Knowland	J Burns & N O'Rourke
Minister of Holy Communion	B Black & J Aitkens	tbc	K Wigmore & A Hutton
Coffee			The Slattery Family
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	
	4.30 pm (St Joseph)	9.00 am (Exton)	11.00 am (St Joseph)
Welcomers	S & N Taylor		M Mildner & Y Nicolle-Anderiesz
Readers	S Taylor & J Alston	P Gatheral	M Port & I Kearney-Rose
Minister of Holy Communion	R Lott & J Burns	tbc	N O'Rourke & M Mildner
Coffee			M Batchelor & S Nguyen
Church Cleaning	M & J O'Kane, E Keogh & R Streeter		

<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	
<b>Safeguarding Representative</b>	James Belderbos	Email: <a href="mailto:james.belderbos@gmail.com">james.belderbos@gmail.com</a> Tel: 07535 940 048.
<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 LloydHughes, Enid Please pray for the following who are ill: Philip Quinn, Teresa Thompson, Claire Smith, Sharon Larkworthy, Halina Woolford, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Fr David Bowler, Annie Welsh, Daniel Dopson, Floss, Jepson Joy Widdows, Pat Dawson Krystyna Critchlow and Sally Blythin, Dennis Trevor, Richard Goodger, Jean Geach, Daphne Berarey and Jim Whalley

If you cannot see your loved one's name in this sick list online you need to sign a consent form – please email Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk and

**Anniversaries †** Monica Joyce, Pauline Goater, Evelyn Bush, Margaret Seabrook, Helen Cooke, Charles Hobbs, Margaret Battersly, Thomas Wilson, Vivien Panter, Jake Bullimore, Jessie Wigginton and Mary Turnbull

**Last Week's Collection**

Envelopes	£188.90
Loose Plate	£256.75
Standing Orders	£590.00
Total	£1,035.65

On **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December** at 6.00 pm in St Joseph's, Key Stage 2 children will be singing Christmas Carols. All welcome!

Please **prepare well** for Our Lord's Coming among us at Christmas by **making a good Confession beforehand.**

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



**Penitential Services** in our Deanery are as follows:

Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December:	7.00 pm – Melton Mowbray, St John the Baptist
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December:	7.00 pm – Bourne, Sacred Heart
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December:	7.00 pm – Grantham, St Mary's
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December:	7.00 pm – Stamford, St Augustine
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December :</b>	<b>3.00pm – Oakham, St Joseph</b>

**Uppingham School Masses**

Dates for 2020 to be confirmed soon.

**Second Collection** There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend (14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> December) for Poor and Needy Parishes.

Thank you once again for your generous donation of £149.07 for **Christmas flowers** for our Church.

**Our sincere condolences** to the family and friends of Robert Johnstone who died recently. Please remember him in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen. Robert's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 12.00 noon.

**The Parish Christmas Card** will be available from this weekend. Please consider signing it instead of sending individual cards to parishioners and putting the money saved in the box provided. There will also be a **Christmas Hamper** which will be raffled over the next few weeks. The money raised from both will go this year to **Action Homeless for Leicester and Rutland.**

**Mary's Meals** A cheque was sent this week for £240 for Mary's Meals. A wonderful gift for Christmas! Many thanks.

**English Martyrs School News**

**Our Christmas fair** was a huge success and raised £1,206 for school. Thank you to all the parishioners who donated cakes and who helped on the day.

**Year 6** were lucky enough to be invited to hear the children's author Frank Cottrell Boyce speak at Oakham School on Tuesday. He was incredibly inspirational and very humorous.

**Well done** to the Maths Challenge team who were in action against Kings School, Ely on Monday. The team were superb and won the fixture by 127 points to 106 which puts us top in the league with 3 more schools to play.

**Mother's Prayers** There will be no Mother's Prayers meeting in December. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

**St Joseph's Parish Sewing Group** will be meeting in the Meeting Room on Saturdays (except last Saturday of the month) from 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm. Bring your own project, sewing/knitting/crochet/embroidery etc. and come and share tea/coffee, company and conversation. The last meeting for December is on the **21st**. Any questions, telephone Jenny Urquhart on 01572 770580.

**Church Repository** There are many items and cards available in our repository in the Meeting Room. Please take the time to come and have a look. If you would like to order anything, please use the notepad provided. Christmas Cards now on sale. We also have handmade paper angels for sale – donations to Mary's Meals.

**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.

**Mass Intentions** If you wish to have a Mass said for anyone living or deceased, please use the envelopes provided in the Church porch.

**Our Sick List** If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please fill in a consent form available in the Church porch 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*