



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON



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Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year

15 th November	Saturday	Vigil Mass	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
16 th November	Sunday	Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year	10.30 am	Holy Mass	Emily Morgan RIP
17 th November	Monday	Saint Hugh of Lincoln, Patron of our Diocese	10.00 am	Holy Mass	G Sutton Intentions
18 th November	Tuesday	The Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul, Apostles			
19 th November	Wednesday	Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	9.00 – 10.00 am		
		Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, religious	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Joe & Mariead Scott's Intentions
20 th November	Thursday	Feria			
21 st November	Friday	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	7.00 pm	Holy Latin Mass	St Thomas, Exton, LE158AN Holy Souls in Purgatory
22 nd November	Saturday	Exposition & Benediction	3.30 – 4 pm		
		Vigil Mass	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Holy Souls in Purgatory
23 rd November	Sunday	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Solemnity	10.30 am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo

Sacrament of Confession TIMES: Wednesday: 9.30-10.00 am Saturday: 3.30-4.00 pm

Please note: This Church is monitored by CCTV cameras and/or live streaming cameras during Holy Mass.

Parish Websites	https://www.stjosephs-oakham.org/	https://www.catholicstamford.com/
Safeguarding Representative	Tel: 07513 725552	Maria.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk
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Parish Office Telephone contact:

For all Parish enquiries, please contact Maria on the office number or (via email, quickest option) 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.

If you know any parishioners

who are not well, in hospital or need a little support and would like a visit, please let Maria know using this email address

rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk or call 01572 722308.

It is very important for all our parishioners to feel part of our community if we do not know we cannot help.

<u>Last week's collection</u> Collections £201.90 Planned Giving & Donations £1177.00 Total £1378.90 <u>Last weeks St. Patrick's Missionary Appeal £490.42</u> As always, many thanks for all your contributions to our Church. {7th December Poor & Needy Parishes}	<u>Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders</u> If you wish to contribute via the parish bank account, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk Many thanks for your ongoing support.	<u>Please note:</u> Canon Peter is at St Joseph's every Monday and celebrates Holy Mass at 10.00 am. He is available after Holy Mass should you want to make an appointment. rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk	<u>Don't forget</u> to join us for light refreshments after Holy Mass on Wednesday and Sunday. All welcome 
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Please pray for the following who are ill: *Meryl Vincent, Angela Kirkup, Claire Smith, Ita Jones, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Monique Pryke, Elisabeth Simpson, Judy Nash, John Rhodes, Amanda Messer, Elizabeth Jones and Marie Thérèse Goldberg*

If you would like to add anyone to the sick list, (permission required). Please contact Maria rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Anniversaries † *The Hon Thomas Noel, Charles Young, Patrick O'Callaghan, Frances Kinloch, Denis Phelan, Evangelina Cooper, Rita Wilson, Annie Williamson, Maria Boyle, Ricardo Burgio, Jonathan Port, Aline Egan, Mary Royce, Annette Moss, Bernard Gandy*

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen

It is the Lord's House, which Jesus taught was a house of prayer" (Mt 21:13) and thus should be used according to its purpose. The House of God, where dwells the Real Presence of God, must be treated with ongoing reverence.

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November the Month of the Holy Souls The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. ***St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, "even as others who have no hope ... For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven ... and the dead who are in Christ shall rise.***

Credo Group We meet at 6 pm on a Wednesday – All welcome.

St Peter's Singers: *✠ Veni Emmanuel ✠* **An Advent Meditation of Seasonal Music and Readings** Featuring works by composers from the 16th Century to the present day. **Saturday 29th November at 7.30pm - St Augustine's Catholic Church Broad Street Stamford PE9 1PG** Free entry – a retiring collection will taken – Refreshments will be available.

The Funeral Liturgy for Peter Davis, husband of dear parishioner, Hilary Davis, will take place on Monday 1st December at 11.00 am.

Also, Patricia Mary Venn former parishioner and organist, passed away peacefully at home on Thursday 6th November, shortly after her 90th birthday Her funeral will be held in St Edward's Church, Shaftesbury (SP7 8EL) on Thursday 27th November. Please keep their families in your prayers and pray for the repose of their souls. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual Light shine upon them, may they rest in peace Amen.

Operation Christmas Child ShoeBox appeal. Please drop off your filled Shoe Boxes on Friday 14th November 3-5pm and Saturday 15th November 10 am -12 noon. Please see the link for information on how and what to put in your Shoebox <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox>

Churches Together in Oakham. The lunch time Churches Together prayer meetings are now being hosted by the **Methodist Church on Thursday lunch** times from **1.00 to 1.30 pm during October and November** All are welcome.

All Young Adults are warmly invited to meet across the diocese in November for Requiem Masses celebrated in remembrance of those who have died. Please bring with you the names of anyone you wish to pray for this month which will be added to our Mass intentions. Arrivals from 6 pm, Mass and social time finishing for 8 pm.

· Thursday 20th at Saint Joseph's Church, Burton Road, Derby; Mass at 7.00 pm

· Thursday 27th at Holy Cross Church, Leicester; Mass at 6.10 pm

Stand up for religious freedom! Consider signing Aid to the Church in Needs' global petition supporting persecuted Christians. Your voice matters. By signing this petition, you can help us urge world leaders to act on behalf of those who suffer simply for practicing their faith. Follow the link or use the QR code.

Article 18 Petition, Religious freedom: a human right, not a privilege | Aid to the Church in Need



The Jesuit Institute is offering an Advent Online Retreat between **Sunday 7th and Thursday 11th December**, giving participants an opportunity to spend more time with God and listen to how God as at work in their lives in the lead up to Christmas. Details, and booking information, is at: www.jesuitinstitute.org/events/online-individually-guided-retreat---advent

As Advent approaches you are warmly invited to take some quiet time for reflection, prayer, and renewal with Father Chris Thomas, a priest of the Archdiocese of Liverpool, reflecting on the Figures of Advent: the prophets, Mary, Joseph, and John the Baptist, whose faith, courage, and hope prepared the way for Christ's coming. The Retreat is being held at the Presentation Sisters Convent, Chesterfield Road, Matlock DE4 3FT on **Saturday 29th November between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm**. A suggestion donation is £10, bring a packed lunch. For more details email associates@pbvmengland.co.uk

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School admissions to Catholic Primary Academies (Reception Year) - Children born between 01/09/2021 and 31/08/2022. The deadline for submitting an application for a school place is 15th January 2026. Application forms are available on your 'home' Local Authority website. For every Catholic school you apply for if you wish your child to be considered and ranked under a faith criterion you should also complete a supplementary information form, and return this form to the school by the deadline, (forms are available from the LA and the school). You must also include the supporting evidence* as required with this form, ie a baptism certificate (photocopies are acceptable; contact the parish of baptism if you don't have a copy); failure to supply the required supporting evidence will mean your child is ranked in a lower criterion which may affect your chance of a place.

Holy Mass Streaming Service If you use St Joseph's Holy Mass streaming service and find that it is not online, please contact Maria in the Parish Office via email. rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk or call 01572 722308

Please note:

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