



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



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Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Year

18 th October	Saturday	Vigil Mass	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	B and D Sheil Intentions
19 th October	Sunday	Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Year	10.30 am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
20 th October	Monday	Feria	10.00am	Holy Mass	Augustine and Priscilla Menezes RIP
21 st October	Tuesday	Feria			
22 nd October	Wednesday	Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	9.00 – 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
		Feria	10.00am		P MacKenzie {Good Estate}
23 rd October	Thursday	Saint John Paul II			
24 th October	Friday	Feria	7pm	Holy Latin Mass	St Thomas, Exton, LE158AN Fr Slawomir Hermanowicz RIP
25 th October	Saturday	Vigil Mass	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Nicholas Livingston RIP
26 th October	Sunday	Thirtieth Sunday of the Year	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.

Last week's collection

Collections £158.49
Planned Giving & Donations **£716.00**
Total £874.49

18th/19th 2nd Collection

World Mission Sunday

PACT {Prisoners'Sunday} £242.91

As always, many thanks for all your contributions to our Church.

Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders

If you wish to contribute via the parish bank account, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk
Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Please note:

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.

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Don't forget

to join us for light refreshments after Holy Mass on Wednesday and Sunday. All welcome



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, Peter Davis and Marie Thérèse Goldberg

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

Anniversaries † Rose Taylor, Michael Mamos Michael Mamos, John Berridge, Rosetta Sharpe, Maureen Gains, Susan Healey, Amelia Bouchard, Rosemary Fletcher, Maureen Hudson, Dorothy Gibson, Sean Cook, Moira McCormick, Bernard Lakie, Phylis Furnival, Winefred Rouse

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

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

St Michael's Chant Choir - Learn to Sing Gregorian Chant in Latin!

No previous experience of chant needed. Contact Cecile or Jenny for more phone:01572 770580 or email: stmichaelschantchoir@gmail.com

Mobile phones Could you please ensure that your **mobile phone is on silent during Holy Mass**. Thank you.

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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October is designated as the Month of the Holy Rosary in the Catholic Church because the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary falls on October 7th, commemorating its establishment. During this month, Catholics are encouraged to pray the Rosary daily, meditating on the mysteries of Christ's life—Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful, and Glorious—as a way to honor Mary and deepen their faith. https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/overviews/months/10_1.cfm

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.

First Holy Communion Programme: Application forms are available now for our First Holy Communion Programme **2025/26**, leading to the celebration of First Holy Communion next year. If your child is in **Year 3** at school or aged 7 or over and has not yet made their First Holy Communion, then please obtain an application form available at the back of Church. The closing date for registering for the Programme is **Monday 27th October**. **Those not attending weekly Mass**, at least from the time of application, **will not be eligible** for the subsequent classes or to make their First Holy Communion, as this is a Diocesan expectation.

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.*

If you would like to offer Holy Mass for your loved ones during November, please use the envelopes provided at the back of Church, along with the list of names and your offering if you wish. The list of names will then remain on the altar throughout the month of November. (The Holy Masses will continue throughout the year under the intention of Holy Souls).

We will visit the cemetery on Sunday 2nd November at 3.00 pm. We will meet at the Cemetery entrance on Kilburn Road and begin with the Holy Rosary for those buried there and elsewhere, also to bless the graves of our loved ones.

Be Still and Know that I am God a three-days' retreat led by Father Roger Dawson SJ, aiming to help participants find a greater attentiveness and disposition to God's presence in their lives through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment. The retreat will be held between Friday 14th and Monday 17th November, at the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire. More details can be found at: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god>

CAFOD Volunteer

Would you like to become a Parish volunteer for CAFOD, please contact Maria for more information.

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Today is World Mission Sunday! Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio - the Pope's charity for world mission - we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. We are called to be 'Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples' as everyone deserves to hear that God loves them and to be strengthened by God's Spirit. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace and justice to those in need. To donate, use the Missio envelopes, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit www.missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

On World Mission Sunday, the whole Church unites in prayer and generosity to support Catholic communities across the world facing poverty, conflict, and hardship. This year's World Mission Sunday is being celebrated this Sunday, 19th October, and Pope Francis chose 'Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples' as this year's theme, reminding us of our call to be messengers and builders of hope in this Jubilee Year. Rooted in Christ's resurrection, this hope has the power to transform lives and heal our world. Prayers and donations on this day directly sustain young and struggling faith communities, support vocations, and enable missionaries to bring the Gospel to remote and often dangerous places. Together, we help communities grow in faith, dignity, and self-reliance. This day of prayer and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love for all peoples. Thank you for your continued support of Missio.

A Men's Retreat to experience Saint Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises in a 5-day, shortened form. The retreat will be guided by the monastic community of Saint Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France), founded with the charism of offering this version of the Exercises to men. The retreat is open to men in all states of life, who wish to seek God's will through a deepened detachment from the world, and is being held at the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire, starting on either Wednesday 4th or Wednesday 11th February. More details can be found at: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-retreat-spiritual-exercises-of-st-ignatius>

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.