



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

## ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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## Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

31 <sup>st</sup> December	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Bruce Wigmore RIP
1 <sup>st</sup> January	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God	Sunday	9.00 am	St Joseph	Sister Dorothy Paul's Intentions
			10.30 am	St Joseph	All Parishioners
2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen	Monday			No Holy Mass today
3 <sup>rd</sup> January	The Most Holy Name of Jesus	Tuesday			No Holy Mass today
4 <sup>th</sup> January	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 - 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	Christmas Feria		10.00 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
5 <sup>th</sup> January	Christmas Feria	Thursday			No Holy Mass today
6 <sup>th</sup> January	Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord	Friday	10.00 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
7 <sup>th</sup> January	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Joan and Leslie Hills RIP
8 <sup>th</sup> January	The Baptism of the Lord	Sunday	9.00 am	St Joseph	David Friday
			10.30 am	St Joseph	All Parishioners

**CONFESSION TIMES:      Wednesday: 9.30–10.00 am      Saturday: 11.30 am–12.00 noon and 3.30-4.00 pm**

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> December	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> January
Welcomers	Eileen Worrall and Ron Streeter	Pauline Morton and James Fay
Readers	Jennifer Williamson and Joan Burns	Marjorie Port and Annie de Kremer
Coffee		Hilary Davis
Flowers	Mair O'Kane	
Church Cleaning	Eileen Worrall and Maria Marriott	
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> January
Welcomers	Phil and Mich Sturley	Marie-Therese Goldberg and Fran Rhowbotham
Readers	Ed Anderson and Tom Reilly	Lorraine Perril and Annie de Kremer
Coffee		Joy Kelly and Chris Slattery
Flowers	Mair O'Kane	
Church Cleaning	Eileen Worrall and Maria Marriott	

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


<b>Parish Website</b>	<a href="http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org">http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org</a>	
<b>English Martyrs Primary School Head Teacher</b>	Willow Crescent, Oakham Alison Chambers <a href="mailto:achambers@englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk">achambers@englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk</a>	<a href="http://www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk">www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk</a> Tel: 01572 722400
<b>Children's Liturgy Group</b>	For children up to First Holy Communion	10.30 am Sunday Mass in term time
<b>Safeguarding Representative</b>	Maria Marriott <a href="mailto:Maria.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk">Maria.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk</a>	Tel: 07513 72555
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<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, Philip Quinn, Teresa Thompson, Sharon Larkworthy, Myra Smith, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Fr David Bowler, Annie Welsh, Floss Jepson, Joy Widdows, Krystyna Chritchlow, Sally Blythin, Richard Goodger, Jim Whalley,, Fr John Trenchard, Elisabeth Simpson, Florence Valentine, Alison Pepperdine. Neil Mackenzie, David Price, Fr Kevin Gradwell, Moira McCormick, Claire Smith, Fiona Ruddle, Calum Simpson, Angela Munton, John Shortmoor, Joseph Shortmoor, Fr Tom McGovern, Elizabeth Ann Hill, Ita Jones and Michael Dawson – 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](mailto:rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk)

**Anniversaries †** Stanislaw Lubnicki, Sisto Foglietta, Bruce Wigmore, Lawrence McGuire, Doris Gonty, Veronica Gandy, Joseph Kennedy, William Maxwell, Mary Turnbull, Elsie Tyler, Gillian Sillars, Anne-Marie Stevenson, Pat Quinn, Annie Williams, Ronald Redman, Olga Szetman, Sheila Shackleton, Veronica Morris, Desmond Whitby, Thelma Long, Francis Kelly, Yvette Nicolle-Anderiesz, Thomas O'Brien, Peter Dean and David Cashman

<b>Last week's collection</b>	
Collections	£991.67
Planned Giving and Donations	£913.00
Total	£1,904.67

**Important Notice** During the months of January and February, the **9.00am Mass** on Sundays will be celebrated at **St Joseph's, not** at Exton. The Masses this weekend will begin this new arrangement.

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

**Fr Kevin Clark** will celebrate the Saturday Vigil Mass and **Mgr John Hadley** will celebrate the Sunday Masses at St Joseph's. Please make them welcome.

**Let us Pray.** Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear our prayers for your sick servant Benedict for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**New Year's Resolution** The Church relies on people getting involved. Our Church, our world needs you. Could your New Year's resolution be getting more involved in the life of our Church? What aspects of church brings you life or joy? Could you give a bit of time to help those parts flourish? CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, is looking for people to give some time and join in its mission. Could you help in our parish, bringing people together to help build a better world or by visiting local schools? Maybe you could raise a voice and campaign for justice or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the diocese? Could you support local volunteers or share your office skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Training and support is provided. See [cafod.org.uk/Volunteer](http://cafod.org.uk/Volunteer) for more information, or get in touch with Will Cruddace, our local CAFOD worker, on [wcruddace@cafod.org.uk](mailto:wcruddace@cafod.org.uk) or 07710094455.

**A huge thank you** for the wonderful donations for Mary's Meals (£253.06) and Aid for Chad and Peru. The cheques have been sent off this Christmas for those in need.

**Aid for Chad and Peru** The little Christmas stalls raised an amazing £248.13 for the poor in Lima. This money has already been sent to them. We hope you have enjoyed your Peruvian decorations! Many thanks for your support.

If you have any Christmas gifts you feel you won't need and would like to donate them to Chad/Peru that would be really lovely. They will then be sold for the poor. Please just pop them in the box. Many thanks..

Nearly everyone is familiar with **Greta Thunberg**, who went on strike from going to school until she drew people's attention to the plight of our planet. Our House is on Fire is a play about how one small girl can have such a global impact so quickly. We can no longer claim to be ignorant because of Greta and the many people she has inspired. The play will be presented by St Peter's Players in the Mary Forryan Centre, Hinckley on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30 pm, and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 4.30 pm. Tickets (£4 adults; £3 concessions) from St Peter's Priory: 01455 634443 or [hinckleypriory@gmail.com](mailto:hinckleypriory@gmail.com)

**Mass Intentions** If you wish to have a Mass said for anyone living or deceased, please contact Maria at [rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk)

**Our Sick List** If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please contact Maria at [rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk)

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

**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 [rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk)

**Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders** If you wish to contribute via the parish bank account, please contact Maria at [rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk) Many thanks for your ongoing support.

**Facebook** Don't forget St Joseph's has a Facebook page on which future events can be advertised, members can be alerted to, for example, changes in service times, and ideas can be put forward. If you would like to join, please email Maria at [rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk)