



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

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First Sunday of Lent

20 th February	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Caterina Harrison RIP
21 st February	First Sunday of Lent	Sunday	11.00 am	Holy Mass	All Parishioners, Visitors, Relatives and Friends of our Church Community
22 nd February	Chair of St Peter	Monday		Holy Mass	Monica England's Intentions
23 rd February	St Polycarp	Tuesday		Holy Mass	Simon and Sandra Lambert's Intentions
24 th February	Lenten Feria	Wednesday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Augustine Menezes (Good Estate)
	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament		10.30 am – 12 noon	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
25 th February	Lenten Feria	Thursday		Holy Mass	Private Intention (RK)
26 th February	Lenten Feria	Friday		Holy Mass	Lesley and Chris Knowland's Intentions
27 th February	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	David Booth-Jones RIP
28 th February	Second Sunday of Lent	Sunday	11.00 am	Holy Mass	All Parishioners, Visitors, Relatives and Friends of our Church Community

Please note:

If you wish to attend Holy Mass on Wednesday, Saturday or Sunday, please ring Maria on 01572 722308 to book a place or email rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

Please note that no bookings are taken for the weekend Masses after Thursday at 6.00 pm.

Parish Website	http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org	
English Martyrs Primary School Head Teacher	Willow Crescent, Oakham Alison Chambers	www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk Tel: 01572 722400
Children's Liturgy Group	For children up to First Holy Communion	11.00 am Mass in term time
Safeguarding Representative	Maria Marriott	rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk
Parish Support Group - HELP	Hilary Davis	Tel: 01572 724256
Prayer Groups	Martin and Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
Chair - Parish Pastoral Council	Jim O'Kane	Tel: 01572 755112
Parish Newsletter	Eileen Worrall	eileenworrall@hotmail.com

Please pray for the following who are ill: Colleen Lully, Mary Hurst, Sarah Ennis, Marie-Jeanne LloydHughes, 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, Krystyna Chritchlow, Sally Blythin, Dennis Trevor, Richard Goodger, Jim Whalley, Anne Stevenson, Fr John Trenchar, Elisabeth Simpson, Florence Valentine, Alison Pepperdine. Neil Mackenzie, Brian Jiggins and Fr Kevin Gradwell
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

Anniversaries † Mary Branston, Agnes Finn, Margaret Hayes, Charles A Richards, Thomas Ford, Clarice Dupont, John Tyler, Denis Cullen, Daniel Brennan-Smith, Angela Hindley-Bromann, Thomas Tutly, John Salthouse, Martin Stimson, Margaret Duffy and Patricia Dawson

Last Week's Collection Envelopes £82.00 Loose Plate £45.00 Standing Orders £650.00 Total £777.00	Spiritual Communion My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You Sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.
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Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of our faithful parishioner, Barry Nash, who died recently. Please remember Barry and his family in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen. Barry's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 3rd March.

Parish Council Meeting Minutes If you would like a copy of the minutes of the latest PPC meeting, please email Jim O'Kane at jjok1946@hotmail.co.uk	CAFOD Lenten Fast Day will be on Friday 26 th February. Please read the note from CAFOD that is included with this newsletter which explains the ways that you can donate. Thank you.
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Churches Together An opportunity has arisen for a second house to support homeless people to get back on their feet. Locally, we are being asked to raise £100,000 from investors and matching funding will be available from the Hope Into Action charity. Rutland County Council confirm the need for additional accommodation. St Joseph's Parish Pastoral Council, together with the other Churches in Oakham, have agreed to support this project. If you have substantial funds you might wish to invest at an annual return of 2%, please contact Bryan Steele at Bryan@TheSteeles.org.uk or via mobile on 07748 111333. We also need the following support volunteers: Empowerment Worker, Friendship Volunteers and Support Volunteers. Details are available from Deacon Raymond or Bryan Steele.

The Diocese of Nottingham are proud to be supporting the Government's Kickstart scheme and are currently advertising the following opportunities within the Curial Team:
✓ Office Junior (2 positions)
✓ Finance Assistant (Office) (1 position)
✓ Finance Assistant (OPAS) (1 position)
If you're aged 16-24, claiming Universal Credit and are interested in any of the above listed Kickstart roles, please speak to your work coach at the Jobcentre or apply on your Universal Credit Platform/App.
Applications close 26th February 2021.

CAFOD Walk for Water – 10,000 steps for 40 days of Lent A parishioner (who is 80yrs young!!) is doing this challenge. If you want to sponsor her, the following is the Just Giving link <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/walk-for-water610>

Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders If you are concerned about not being able to donate weekly, you may wish to contribute via the parish bank account. If so, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk Many thanks.

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

Our Sick List If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

Mass Intentions If you wish to have a Mass said for anyone living or deceased, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

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