



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

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

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### Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year

21 <sup>st</sup> September	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	O’Kane Family intentions
22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Saint Pius of Pietrelcina	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Bernadette Carroll Intentions
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Our lady of Walsingham	Tuesday			
25 <sup>th</sup> September	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	09.00 – 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	Feria		10.00 am	Holy Mass	Lorraine Perril Intentions
26 <sup>th</sup> September	Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs	Thursday			
27 <sup>th</sup> September	Saint Vincent de Paul	Friday	7.00 pm	Latin Mass	Mass at St Thomas, Exton, LE158AN
				St Thomas	Canon Stephen Dye intentions
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Kevin O’Shea RIP
29 <sup>th</sup> September	Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo

**CONFESSION TIMES: Wednesday: 9.30-10.00 am Saturday: 3.30-4.00 pm**

<b>THIS WEEK’S ROTAS</b>	<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>
Welcomers	Siobhan and Nick Taylor	Chris Jones and Nola McGarrity
Readers	Joan Burns and Ron Streeter	John Alston and Annie de Kremer
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Joan Burns and Michael Terrett (JA)	Lesley Knowland and Annie de Kremer
Coffee		Sylvie Nguyen
Flowers	Rayna Bone	
Church Cleaning	Chris Jones and Phil Boak	
<b>NEXT WEEK’S ROTAS</b>	<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September</b>
Welcomers	Tom and Belinda Reilly	Marie-Therese Goldberg and James Fay
Readers	Irene Kearney-Rose and Meryl Vincent	Brian Moore and Lorraine Perril
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Eileen Worrall and Joan Burns (AW)	Annie de Kremer and Billy Ivory
Coffee		Hilary Davis
Flowers	Rayna Bone	
Church Cleaning	Chris Jones and Phil Boak	

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

<b>Parish Websites</b>	<a href="http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org">www.stjosephs-oakham.org</a>	<a href="http://www.catholicstamford.com">www.catholicstamford.com</a>
<b>English Martyrs Primary School Head Teacher</b>	Willow Crescent, Oakham Gosia Brown	<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.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk	Tel: 07513 725552
<b>Parish Support Group - HELP</b>	Rosemarie Duncan	Tel: 01572 723873
<b>House Faith Sharing Group</b>	Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
<b>Chair - Parish Pastoral Council</b>	Andreas Menzies	ppchair@stjosephs-oakham.org Tel: 01572 722308
<b>Parish Newsletter</b>	Eileen Worrall	eileenworrall@hotmail.com

**Please pray for the following who are ill:** *Meryl Vincent, Angela Kirkup, Claire Smith, Ita Jones, David Price, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Monique Pryke and Elisabeth Simpson*

If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list **with their written permission**, please contact Maria at [rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk) OR please ask them to complete the form below and return to Maria in the Parish Office. Many thanks.

**Permission form for Sick list**

I give my permission for my name to be published in St Joseph's Newsletter and on their (St Joseph's) website in the Newsletter tab.

Print Name.....

Signature..... Date.....

**Anniversaries †** *Donald Wright, Tony Harris, Margaret Boon, Richard Caddy, Daniel Hill, Paulene Lynch, Laurence Keating, Scott De Caux, Mary Rutherford, Kenneth Hughes, Catherine Palmer, Joan White, Gilbert Cook and David Tookey*


**Parish Office Telephone contact:** For all Parish enquiries, please contact Maria on the office number or via email, 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.**

**Shhhhhh.... Important – please read:** Just a gentle reminder to all. It would be appreciated if you could be quiet in Church before Holy Mass begins and leave the Church quietly after Holy Mass ends. We encourage you to chat with others but please do so once you are outside of the main body of the Church so that you won't disturb others who want to pray. Many thanks for your understanding.

**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](mailto: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	£ 154.95
Planned Giving and Donations	£ 676.00
Total	£ 830.95

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

**Credo Group** The Credo Group meets on Thursday at 6.00 pm in the Meeting Room.

**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. [rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**Children's Liturgy** Please note that until further notice there will be no Children's Liturgy. There is a volunteer vacancy to run the Sunday Children's Liturgy group. Please contact Maria for more details. [rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**Second collection** There will be a second collection after Holy Masses this weekend 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> September for Evangelii Gaudium  
**Last weeks Collection** for the Missionary Sisters raised £630.60 many thanks

**First Holy Communion Programme:**

Application forms are available now for our First Holy Communion Programme 2024/25, 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 Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Sacrament of Confirmation Programme:**

Application forms are available now for our Confirmation Programme 2024/25, leading to the celebration of Confirmation by Bishop Patrick in the Parish on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025. If you are a young person of 11 years old or over who would like to be confirmed, then please obtain an application form available at the back of Church. The closing date for registering for the Confirmation Classes is Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October. Those not attending weekly Mass, at least from the time of application, will not be eligible for the subsequent classes or to be Confirmed, as this is a Diocesan expectation.

**Safeguarding information: New Volunteers DBS or NON-DBS ROLES** A great big 'Thank you' to all our wonderful volunteers. Your help is always very much appreciated no matter what role you do. Could all volunteers who are responsible for their rotas please ask any new volunteers to contact the Safeguarding Rep to register in the Parish. All new volunteers are asked to fill in a Registration form to register at their Parish. Please contact Maria for more information. [rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**MacMillan Coffee Morning** – Wednesday 25th September  
Cake and a chat! Gary is holding a MacMillan coffee morning in the meeting room on the 25th September - Please bring any cakes to Gary at 9.00am and please clearly label if they contain any **NUTS** Many thanks

**Are you a childminder or Carer for Special Needs?**

Can you help? A parishioner is looking for a Childminder for 6 hours per week. 3 hours on a Saturday and 3 hours on either a Monday or Wednesday. All relevant DBS checks must be in place. For more information please contact Maria [rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**SPUC, Melton and Rutland**, are having a day of prayer to pray about abortion on Saturday 28th September. We are asking people to pray by themselves (in any way that suits them best) for 15 minutes at a timed slot, wherever they are (you don't need to come to church) on any aspect of the abortion issue. We hope, as we've done in the past, to cover all the time slots between 9am and 9pm-making a day of prayer. If you would like to be part of this, contact Jean Garrett -07960 975483 or email [jeangarrett@talktalk.net](mailto:jeangarrett@talktalk.net)

**Calling all parents who educate their children at home!** Calling all parents whose children (aged 4-16) do not attend a Catholic school! The Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Education Service (NRCDES) would like to connect with families whose school-aged children do not attend one of our Catholic schools. We want to build and strengthen links, so that all parents of Catholic children across the diocese can be included in discussions and plans relating to the development of Catholic life and mission, religious education and collective worship. We are holding an online MS Teams meeting on Monday 16th September, from 7.00pm-8.00pm. To book, visit: <https://bookwhen.com/nrcdes#focus=ev-sl2y-20240916190000>

**Parish Groups – HELP** HELP is a group to support Parishioners. A lot of our parishioners are elderly now and probably feeling very lonely and some might even be housebound. Not being able to get out or see anybody also affects their mental health. So we can offer to visit or make a telephone call. Knowing that you have made a difference can be very satisfying. Also, if someone is looking after a loved one and needs a break, we can offer to stay with that person. We can also help with housework, shopping, preparing a meal, even walking the dog, arrange transport for appointments or a lift to Holy Mass. This is a voluntary group but can be very rewarding and it would be lovely to have more people on board. If you feel this is something you would like to do, please contact Rosemarie Duncan on 01572 723873.

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

**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@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**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](mailto: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.