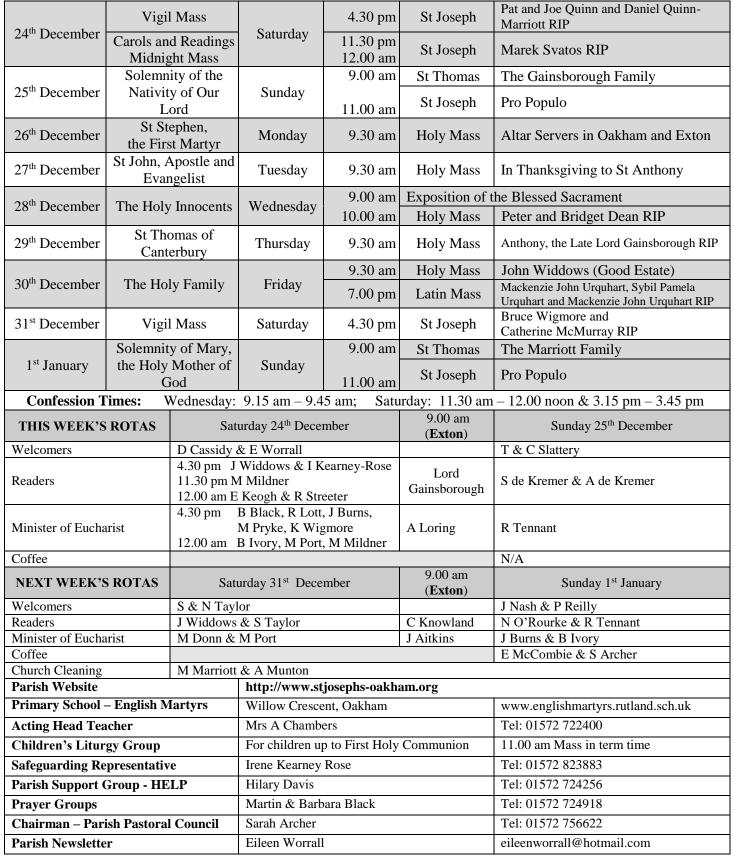


THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

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Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord



Please pray for the following who are ill: Colleen Lully, Mary Hurst, Bernadette Wilkinson, Sarah Ennis, Marie-Jeanne Lloyd-Hughes, Eileen Cox, Enid Wootton, Susan Healey, Helen Reilly, Stephen Walters, Christopher Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Maura & Mike Goulding, Philip Quinn, Simon Duncan, Fiona Ruddle, Theresa Thompson, Patricia Slater, Monique Pryke, Tim Maskell, John O'Brien, Elisabeth Simpson, Claire Smith, Peter Tookey, Bill Hiscocks, Sharon Larkworthy, Mark Smith, Tim White, Helena Woolford, Megan Owens, Robert Johnstone, Monica Holt, Michael Rimmer, John Rhodes, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Virginia Barwell, Cindy Johnston, Mary Lambert, John Owens (Snr), Michael Gardiner & Helen Wilson

Anniversaries † Colin Larkin, Betty Hope, Ethel Robinson, Ursula Stephenson, Winifred Prior, Patrick Joseph Maiden, Edward Webb, Fergus O'Brien, Anthony Lord Gainsborough, Valerie Hughes, Malcolm Gibson, William Healey, Theresa Ford, Stanislaw Lubnicki, Sisto Foglietta, Bruce Wigmore, Doris Gonty, Veronica Gandy, Joseph Kennedy, William Maxwell & Mary Turnbull

Last Week's Collection			
Envelopes	£178.63		
Loose Plate	£343.50		
S/O	£540.00		
Totals	£1,062.13		
Don't forget to join us for			
coffee after Mass on			
Wednesday	and 🎾		

English Martyrs School News The children led a Carol Service on Tuesday evening at St Joseph's and were lucky to be accompanied by Fr Stephen on the organ. It was great to see so many of our children together with their families and St Joseph's parishioners, gathered together in this celebration. The whole school were then involved in a Christmas liturgy on the last morning of term, which was once again reflective and joyful. The teachers would like to thank all the parents and parishioners for their good wishes and generous gifts. We look forward to returning to school on 3rd January 2017 after a Holy and restful break.

Sunday Masses at Uppingham in the School

Sunday.

Chapel at 12.15pm: Dates for 2017 to follow

Holy Communion Thanks to all the parents who have submitted their child's name to Fr Stephen this Christmas. Classes will commence mid-January until June. Details to follow in the New Year.

Christmas Charity Project - One Roof Lei	cester Christmas Flowers The recent collection for
The hamper raffled for this charity was won l	by Church Flowers raised £162.65. Many thanks
Nuala O'Rourke. Well done!	for your generosity.

<u>**Church Mouse**</u> The Christmas edition of the Church Mouse is available in the Church porch $- \cot \pounds 1$. Many thanks to those parishioners who have contributed to the Mouse this year - it is very much appreciated.

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Mother's Prayers Please note that there will be no	Book of Remembrance If you wish to
meeting of the Mother's Prayers Group during December.	have the names of loved ones who have
Our next meeting will be Tuesday 31st January 2017.	died written in our Book of Remembrance,
Thank you for your support in 2016, and a very peaceful	please pick up one of the slips from the
Christmas to all. Lorraine.	porch which gives all the details you need to
	do this.

<u>Cafod</u> Eight more envelopes were sent this week to Cafod containing cartridges, old mobile phones and old jewellery. It is a great source of income for Cafod's work for the poor of the world. Many thanks.

<u>Mary's Meals</u> A huge thank you for all your continued support this year with donations of money and items for the backpacks for these poor children. Magnus is now feeding 1,187,104 children daily!! A DVD is available to borrow should anyone wish to view it. £12:50 feeds a child for a year which is pretty amazing!

Our Sick List If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please make Fr Stephen aware or email Maria at: rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

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

A very warm welcome to all our visitors this weekend