



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

24 th December	Vigil Mass of Christmas	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Mary McGarvey's Intentions
25 th December	Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	The Gainsborough Family
			10.30 am	St Joseph	All Parishioners
26 th December	St Stephen	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	All Parishioners
27 th December	St John the Evangelist	Tuesday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Emily Morgan (Good Estate)
28 th December	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 - 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	The Holy Innocents		10.00 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
29 th December	St Thomas of Canterbury	Thursday			No Holy Mass today
30 th December	The Holy Family	Friday	10.00 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
31 st December	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Bruce Wigmore RIP
1 st 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

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 24 th December	Sunday 25 th December
Welcomers	Siobhan and Nick Taylor	Chris Jones and Nola McGarrity
Readers	Irene Kearney-Rose and Matthew Rose	Meryl Vincent
Coffee		No coffee this week
Flowers	The Flower Team	
Church Cleaning	Eileen Worrall and Maria Marriott	
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 31 st December	Sunday 1 st 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	

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

Parish Website	http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org	
English Martyrs Primary School Head Teacher	Willow Crescent, Oakham Alison Chambers achambers@englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk	www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk Tel: 01572 722400
Children's Liturgy Group	For children up to First Holy Communion	10.30 am Sunday Mass in term time
Safeguarding Representative	Maria Marriott Maria.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk	Tel: 07513 72555
Parish Support Group - HELP	Rosemarie Duncan	Tel: 01572 723873
House Faith Sharing Groups	Barbara Black Maureen Mildner	Tel: 01572 724918 Tel: 01572 756477
Chair - Parish Pastoral Council	Andreas Menzies	ppchair@stjosephs-oakham.org Tel: 01572 722308
Parish Newsletter	Eileen Worrall	eileenworrall@hotmail.com

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

Anniversaries † Colin Larkin, Robert MacDonald, Betty Hope, Ethel Robinson, John McCarthy, Ursula Stephenson, Winifred Prior, Patrick Joseph Maiden, Edward Webb, Fergus O'Brien, Anthony Lord Gainsborough, Valerie Hughes, Malcolm Gibson, William Healey, Theresa Ford, Mary Countess of Gaisborough, Harold Johnson, Stanislaw Lubnicki, Sisto Foglietta, Bruce Wigmore, Lawrence McGuire, Doris Gonty, Veronica Gandy, Joseph Kennedy, William Maxwell and Mary Turnbull

Last week's collection

Collections	£172.61
Planned Giving and Donations	£787.78
Total	£960.39

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 next weekend (31st December and 1st January) 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.

English Martyrs School News

We wish all the parishioners a wonderful and peaceful Christmas and we will be back in 2023 with more school news!

Dates for your diary

Celebration Assembly: Every Friday at 2.30 pm in school

All members of the parish are invited to this event. We would love to see you and welcome you to our school.

We are also collecting items for the local food bank at school. You can support us by dropping off any food items at school. Thank you for all your support.

From 1st November 2022 to 31st January 2023, donations made to **Mary's Meals** will be doubled by a group of generous supporters, up to £1,500,000. Today we face some of our greatest challenges yet in a world devastated by conflict, food insecurity and the cost-of-living crisis, which we know is affecting people here in the UK as well as in the countries where Mary's Meals works. With Double the Love, donations will be matched, and kindness will go even further – meaning Mary's Meals can reach even more desperately hungry children with a life-changing school meal. There are many ways to get involved, to find out more visit www.marysmeals.org.uk

Mass Intentions If you wish to have a Mass said for anyone living or deceased, 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

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

Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders If you wish to contribute via the parish bank account, please contact Maria at 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