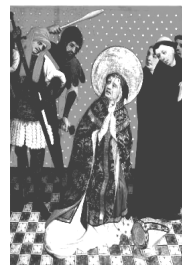




# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON



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## Sixth Sunday of Easter

24th May	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Well being of Bernadette Carroll
25th May	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Sunday	10.30 am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
26th May	St Philip Neri	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	George Sheasby RIP
27th May	St Augustine of Canterbury	Tuesday			
28th May	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 – 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	Easter Feria		10.00 am		Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
29th May	<b>The Ascension of The Lord Solemnity</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10.00am 6.00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Max Goldberg RIP Sr Anthony RIP
30th May	Easter Feria	Friday	7.00 pm	Latin Mass	Parishioner Operation (MTG)
31st May	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Ruth and Gilbert Tennant RIP
1st June	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Sunday	10.30 am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo

**Sacrament of Confession TIMES:** Wednesday: 9.30-10.00 am Saturday: 3.30-4.00 pm

All Rotas are displayed in the Church Porch

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

<b>Parish Websites</b>	<a href="https://www.stjosephs-oakham.org/">https://www.stjosephs-oakham.org/</a>	<a href="https://www.catholicstamford.com/">https://www.catholicstamford.com/</a>
<b>Safeguarding Representative</b>	Tel: 07513 725552	<a href="mailto:Maria.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk">Maria.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk</a>
<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 Tel: 01572 722308	<a href="mailto:ppcchair@stjosephs-oakham.org">ppcchair@stjosephs-oakham.org</a>
<b>Parish Newsletter</b>	Maria Marriott	<a href="mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk">rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk</a>
<b>English Martyrs Primary School</b>	Willow Crescent, Oakham	Tel: 01572 722400 <a href="https://www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk/">https://www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk/</a>

### Parish Office Telephone contact:

For all Parish enquiries, please contact Maria on the office number or (via email, quickest option) 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.**

### 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.

### Parish Sick List

If you would like to add anyone to the sick list, please contact Maria [rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk) Please note, if you give permission, their name will be published in St Joseph's Newsletter and on St Joseph's website in the Newsletter tab.

### Last week's collection

Collections £ 219.98

Planned Giving & Donations

£ 664.00

Total £ 883.98

**Please note 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection this week (24th/25<sup>th</sup>)**

**will be for Clergy Formation.**

### 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)

### Don't forget

to join us for light refreshments after Holy Mass on Wednesday and Sunday.  
All welcome



<b>Please pray for the following who are ill:</b> Meryl Vincent, Angela Kirkup, Claire Smith, Ita Jones, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Monique Pryke, Elisabeth Simpson, Judy Nash, John Rhodes, Jean Aiken and Amanda Messer	
<b>Anniversaries †</b> Marga Carroll, Eileen Cox, Kareen Mason, Bob Collin, Albert Tyler, Helen Hughes, Joey Shelley, Anthony Badley, Ann Job, Clare Kenning, James Robertson, Marie Antionette Leetch, George Sheasby, Ron Meadows, Mary (Myra) Smith <b>Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon the, may they rest in peace. Amen</b>	
<b>Credo Group</b> Thursday at 6pm , in the meeting room –All Welcome	<b>Mobile phones</b> Could you please ensure that your <b>mobile phone is on silent during Holy Mass.</b> Thank you.
<b>The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady:</b> As Pope Paul VI declared, ‘in this month moving tribute of faith and love is given by Catholics in every part of the world to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance’. (Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May). Perhaps you might consider taking up praying a daily rosary if you do not do so already?	
<b>PLEASE NOTE: We have had a number of complaints concerning the amount of noise after Holy Mass –Shhhhhh....</b> Please be aware when leaving the Church, you do it quietly as others are still praying. We encourage you to chat with others but please do so <b>once you are outside of the main body of the Church</b> , you are welcome to use the meeting room, so that you won’t disturb anyone. Many thanks for your cooperation. <i>It is the Lord’s House, which Jesus taught was “a house of prayer” (Mt 21:13) and thus should be used according to its purpose. The House of God, where dwells the Real Presence of God, must be treated with ongoing reverence.</i>	
<b>50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St Joseph’s Catholic Church</b> Bishop Patrick McKinney will be celebrating a special 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary Holy Mass <b>on Friday June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm</b> here in St Joseph’s. We will be having a celebration Tea Party afterwards. We hope some of the past Parish Priests will be able to attend. We do hope you will be able to join us for the celebrations. If you have any old photographs or items connected with St Joseph’s over the years, and are willing to display them, please do let me know: (Maria) <a href="mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk">rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk</a>	
<b>Join Bishop Patrick on the Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage</b> to Walsingham on <b>Saturday 14th June</b> . From 11:30am there will be youth activities in the Anglican Shrine. The opening liturgy will be at 12:45pm with the procession to the Catholic Shrine. At 3pm there will Divine Mercy and youth Stations, ending with Mass at 4pm.	
<b>Bishop Robert Barron’s</b> 1 Word on Fire Bible - Brand New - still in the wrapping Donations for <b>AID FOR CHAD</b> For more information please contact Maria on: <a href="mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk">rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk</a>	<b>Useful websites:</b> <b>Pope Leo XIV</b> <a href="#">Habemus Papam!   Pope Leo XIV   News Jubilee 2025</a> <a href="http://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html">www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html</a> <b>Vatican News</b> <a href="#">News from the Vatican - The latest news from the Holy See - Vatican News</a>
<b>Today is Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday.</b> This year’s focus is on the theme of “The Empty Chair”. Many of us are saddened by reducing numbers in our churches. This is happening for a wide variety of reasons, but our thoughts are on those who are not there because they have suffered abuse in a church setting and cannot face being here. They may be the families or friends of survivors. They may be former members of a community affected by allegations or convictions for abuse. They may be people who are simply so disgusted or ashamed by what they have heard about abuse within the Church that they no longer want to be part of it. All these groups and others are represented by “The Empty Chair”. <b>What is Safeguarding?</b> Safeguarding is about protecting ourselves and others from harm. We all get things wrong, and sometimes the things we do and say can hurt others, or we can get hurt by them. This can happen anywhere - at church, school, home, or with friends – and makes us feel sad, worried, or confused. Just like an umbrella that keeps us safe from the rain, safeguarding protects us from being hurt by others. It’s important because each of us is special to God and deserves to feel, and be, safe. In our country we have rules and laws to help keep people safe. Just like a lollipop person helps us cross the road safely, we have people in our church who make sure we follow these rules to make it a safe place. Everyone has a job to do. If you ever feel worried, upset, or unsure about something that happened to you or someone else, tell someone you trust. By speaking up, we can help keep everyone safe. Remember, safeguarding is all about protecting ourselves and others from harm.	
<b>The Diocese of Nottingham</b> is looking to appoint a full-time Compliance and Support Property Officer, based in Nottingham. More details are available at <a href="http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers">www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers</a> the deadline for applications is Monday 9th June.	
<b>Unveiled Faces: Healing and Transformation with the Saints;</b> a Weekend Retreat between <b>Friday 27th and Sunday 29th June</b> led by Father Emmanuel Mansford, CFR at the Christian Heritage Centre, contemplating the healing and transformational work of grace in the ordinary and imperfect lives of the saints. In the light of their example, the retreat will offer an opportunity to reflect on and to seek healing for the wounds in our own lives. To book, visit: <a href="https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/unveiled-faces/">https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/unveiled-faces/</a>	
<b>The World Union of Catholic Teachers</b> is committed to supporting Catholic educators worldwide, including those working in Catholic and non-denominational schools and universities. In preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025, this international survey aims to deepen an understanding of the identity of Catholic teachers. All Catholic teachers are invited to complete the questionnaire, before 4th July, at the following address: <a href="https://uofg.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7TyF0wIxiV7zJ6m">https://uofg.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7TyF0wIxiV7zJ6m</a>	
<b>Holy Mass Streaming Service</b> 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 <a href="mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk">rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk</a> or call 01572 722308.	<b>Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders</b> If you wish to contribute via the parish bank account, please contact Maria at <a href="mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk">rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk</a> Many thanks for your ongoing support.
<b>Please note:</b> Any cheques made out to the Parish should read <b>St. Joseph’s Oakham RCP</b> . Thank you.	