



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

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

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### Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday

26 <sup>th</sup> April	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	In Thanksgiving (AH)
27 <sup>th</sup> April	Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday	Sunday	10.30 am	Holy Mass	<b>Repose of the soul of our late Holy Father.</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> April	Saint George, Martyr, Patron of England (Solemnity)	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Paul Coomber RIP
29 <sup>th</sup> April	Saint Catherine of Sienna, Patron of Europe	Tuesday			
30 <sup>th</sup> April	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 – 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	Easter Feria		10.00 am	Holy Mass	J and S Hedley and family Intentions
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Saint Joseph the Worker	Thursday			
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Saint Anthanasius, Bishop and Doctor	Friday	7.00 pm	Latin Mass St Thomas	St Thomas, Exton, LE158AN Adrian Glover RIP
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Elizabeth Jones (Good Estate)
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo

**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>
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<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	<a href="mailto:ppcchair@stjosephs-oakham.org">ppcchair@stjosephs-oakham.org</a> Tel: 01572 722308
<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**

The Easter Offering was for  
Canon Peter Vellacott.  
He very much appreciates your  
generosity.  
Thank you

#### **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> <i>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</i>	
<b>Anniversaries †</b> <i>Rita Sheahan, Annie Holan, Declan O'Brien, John Murrell, Violet Brophy, Lee Cole, Elizabeth Rubini, Ruth Tennant, Richard Turnbull, Louis McMillan, John Wooton, Mabel Jenkins, James Stokes, William Rothwell, Liam Caffery</i>	
<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>PLEASE NOTE: We have had a number of complaints concerning the amount of noise after Holy Mass</b> –Shhhhhh.... 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> so that you won't disturb anyone. Many thanks for your cooperation.	
<b>Our sincere condolences</b> are offered to the family and friends of our dear parishioner Gary Nicolle-Anderiesz who died suddenly.	<b>St Joseph's Parish Council</b> There will be a Parish Council meeting on <b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025.</b> If you wish to ask a question or suggest an item for the agenda, please <b>submit asap</b> to Andreas Menzies or via email at <a href="mailto:ppcchair@stjosephsoakham.org">ppcchair@stjosephsoakham.org</a>
<p align="center"><b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b></p> <p>(also known as the Feast of the Divine Mercy) is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, which concludes the Octave of Easter. The Novena which started on Good Friday can be found here. <a href="#">The Divine Mercy Novena of Chaplets</a>   <a href="#">The Divine Mercy</a> There are also leaflets in the porch.</p>	
<p align="center">† † † <b>We pray for the happy repose of the soul of the late Holy Father † † †</b></p> <p><b>O God, immortal shepherd of souls, look on your people's prayers and grant that your servant Pope Francis, who presided over your Church in charity, may, with the flock entrusted to his care, receive from your mercy the reward of a faithful servant. This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.</b></p> <p align="center"><b>We pray for the Church during this time of sede vacante</b></p> <p><b>We pray, almighty God, that your Church may always remain that holy people, formed as one by the unity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, which manifests to the world that Sacrament of your holiness and unity, and leads it to the perfection of your charity. Grant to your Church, we pray, a new Holy Father, filled with your Holy Spirit, even as we mourn the passing of Pope Francis; that your Church may continue steadfast in faith in confessing your name to the world. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.</b></p> <p>For more information please click here: <a href="#">Pope Francis</a>   <a href="#">Requiescat in pace</a>   <a href="#">News</a></p>	
<p align="center"><b>Called to Love:</b></p> <p>Masculine and Feminine, Friday 9th – Sunday 11th May. A weekend for young adults, whether single, dating or engaged, exploring the nature of masculinity and femininity. The retreat, at the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire, will consider the contemporary challenges to being a man and a woman and the Church's wisdom for this, drawing particular inspiration from Saint John Paul II. For more information and to book visit <a href="https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/called-to-love/">https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/called-to-love/</a></p>	
<p align="center"><b>The Nottingham Diocesan Missio Mass</b></p> <p>in thanksgiving for all Missio's volunteers and supporters will be celebrated at Saint Winefride's Church, Charnwood Road, Shepshed LE12 9QF on Saturday 10th May at 3.00pm. Bishop Patrick will celebrate the Mass, joined by Father Anthony Chantry (Missio National Director) and Father Patrick Bassey (Diocesan Director for Missio). All are warmly welcome, and to stay for the refreshments after the Mass also.</p>	
<p align="center"><b>A Great big Thank you!</b></p> <p>For many years <b>Eileen Worrall</b> has volunteered to do many, many things in our Parish. Recently she had a bad fall which resulted in her breaking her elbow and her having to have surgery to replace and repair it. She is going to take a rest from Parish volunteering for now, to recover and get back to full mobility. <b>Thank you</b> so much for all your help and I look forward to your recovery – I need my right hand man back asap! God bless</p>	
<p align="center"><b>Churches Together lunchtime meetings</b></p> <p>will be hosted by us, <b>St Josephs during April and May at 1pm to 1.30 pm every Thursday</b> and it would be really good if Parishioners could come and support our few Parishioners who are leading these sessions.</p>	
<p align="center"><b>The Health Team who support the Nottingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage</b></p> <p>is in need of some additional experienced team members for this year's pilgrimage. If you, or someone you know, is a currently Registered Nurses or trained and experienced Care Worker, who may be interested and can commit to being available for this year's Jubilee Pilgrimage between Monday 14th and Friday 18th July, as well as for a couple of training days on Sunday 15th and Saturday 28th June, please contact Deacon David Knight (<a href="mailto:david@sthughslincoln.org.uk">david@sthughslincoln.org.uk</a>) for more details.</p>	
<p align="center"><b>The Society of Saint Gregory</b></p> <p>is hosting a Summer School between Wednesday 30th July and Saturday 2nd August with the theme of Jubilee and Hope reflected in the liturgies and music, providing an opportunity to reflect on how to take the message of hope back to our parish communities. Further details from <a href="mailto:summerschool@ssg.org.uk">summerschool@ssg.org.uk</a></p>	
<p align="center"><b>Could you be a Briars Ambassador for 12 months?</b></p> <p>The Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service (NDCYS) has a wonderful group of volunteers who support The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre through practical support, prayer and fundraising. The Friends of The Briars is hosting an Ambassadors' Day for those interested in becoming a Briars Ambassador, on Saturday 7th June between 10.00am and 3.00pm at The Briars, DE4 5BW. Visit <a href="http://ndcys.com/friends-of-the-briars/">ndcys.com/friends-of-the-briars/</a> for more information.</p>	
<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.	