



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM &
ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Palm Sunday

1 st April	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Peter Martin RIP
2 nd April	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	Sunday	9.00 am	St Joseph	Julie Jones and Bruce Roberts' Intentions
			10.30 am	St Joseph	All Parishioners
			5.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross
3 rd April	Monday of Holy Week	Monday			No Holy Mass today
4 th April	Tuesday of Holy Week	Tuesday			No Holy Mass today
5 th April	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	Wednesday of Holy Week (Spy Wednesday)		10.00 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
6 th April	Maundy Thursday – the Mass of the Lord's Supper	Thursday	7.00 pm	Holy Mass	Bishop Patrick's Intentions
7 th April	Friday of the Passion of the Lord – Good Friday	Friday	3.00 pm	St Joseph	Good Friday Liturgy
			7.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross
8 th April	Easter Vigil Mass	Saturday	8.00 pm	Holy Mass	Mary McGarvey RIP
9 th April	Easter Day of the Resurrection of the Lord	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	The Gainsborough Family
			10.30 am	St Joseph	All Parishioners

CONFESSION TIMES: Wednesday: 9.30 – 10.00 am Saturday: 11.30 am – 12.00 noon and 3.45-4.15 pm

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 1 st April	Sunday 2 nd April
Welcomers	Caroline Berrie and Ann Robinson	Fran Rhowbotham and Maureen Mildner
Readers	Joan Burns, Siobhan Taylor, Meryl Vincent and Jennifer Williamson	Annie de Kremer and Brian Moore
Coffee		Sylvie Nguyen
Flowers	No flowers during Lent	
Church Cleaning	Eileen Worrall and Maria Marriott	
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 8 th April	Sunday 9 th April
Welcomers	Siobhan and Nick Taylor	Pauline Morton and Gary Nicolle-Anderiesz
Readers	Marjorie Port	Lorraine Perril and Ed Anderson
Coffee		Hilary Davis
Flowers	The Flower Team	
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, John Shortmoor, Joseph Shortmoor, Fr Tom McGovern, Elizabeth Ann Hill, Ita Jones, Michael Dawson, Kevin Gallagher, Nick Reid, Margaret and Tom Horn and Fr Stephen Dye– 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 † Lily Simpson, Henry Sanders, Patrick Roche, Sheila Stimson, Dorothy Maxwell, Margaret Murton, Angela Clipsham, David Healey, George Hyde, Josephine Goddard, Ray Tyler, Joan Noble, Carol Seaton, James Tyler and Ciro Nerini

<u>Last week’s collection</u>	
Collections	£195.91
Planned Giving and Donations	<u>£759.21</u>
Total	£955.12

Prayer works! Just a brief word of sincere thanks to all parishioners who have especially held me in prayer over the past few months. My treatment has been successful, thank God. I urge you to say a Rosary daily – it is a most powerful prayer. Fr Stephen

Don’t forget to join us for coffee after Holy Mass on Wednesday and Sunday.



Especially for Easter Sunday the 9.00 am Holy Mass will be at St Thomas of Canterbury, Exton.

Walk of Witness Churches Together are organising the annual Christian Walk of Witness on Good Friday, 7th April as follows:

- 10.15 am - Assemble in the grounds of St John and St Anne
 - 10.30 am - Silent walk of Witness through the town along the High Street to the Market Place
 - 10.40 am - Short service and Hymns around the Buttercross
- All welcome.

Easter Flowers There will be a collection after Holy Mass this weekend for Easter Flowers for the Church.

Planned Giving Scheme The Planned Giving envelopes for 2023/24 are now available in the Church Porch. If you are expecting some and they are not there or if you would like to join the scheme, please contact Maria on rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

CAFOD Could you please return any envelopes for the CAFOD family fast day. Many thanks.

Gary Nicolle-Anderiesz wishes to thank parishioners for their support for his chutney, jam and pickle sale which raised £33.

All are welcome to Saint Barnabas Cathedral (Derby Road, Nottingham NG15AE) on **Good Friday** for Stations of the Cross for Families and Young People at 10.30 am. Reflections will be provided by students from local schools, and music from the Cathedral Boys’ Choir and Girls’ Choir.

Message from Bishop Patrick

Dear brothers in Christ, Thank you so much for all the good work that you and your parishioners are doing within your parish or ecumenically, or with people of other faiths in your wider community, to help support in any way those who are most struggling with the Cost of Living Crisis. I am a signatory to a letter that has been drawn up by Churches Together in Leicestershire, and so this is why it is being sent to Catholic parishes across this area of the diocese. I have also been involved in signing and sending out similar letters from Ecumenical Leaders in other parts of the diocese. This crisis has encouraged Christians to explore ways of working together to help support those most in need within our society. Thank you for all that you are doing. With gratitude and prayer, Patrick.

A copy of the letter will be sent electronically with the newsletter this week.

A Marriage Enrichment Retreat for couples to rediscover the beauty and significance of the marital covenant in today’s world is being held between Friday 19th and Sunday 21st May. Under the theme ‘A Great Mystery: Man and Wife as an image of Christ and his Church’, the weekend will be held in the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire, and includes full board and accommodation, as well as renowned speakers. More information is available from <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/a-great-mystery-marriage-enrichment/>

Message from Bishop Patrick: Our vision for the Diocese of Nottingham is to become a more outward-looking missionary Catholic community. We are currently reorganising our parish and deanery structures, and to ensure we are supported in mission-focused initiatives, the Diocese has launched a Mission Enabling Programme. We must also develop a financial plan, one that is well informed and meets our needs. Therefore after Easter we are commencing a consultative phase, with professional support, to gather opinions from parishioners about our funding strategies. If you are asked, please consider giving your views, through a one-to-one conversation or an at-Mass survey. Please also pray for our mission and for this journey of discernment, that we can share the love and message of Christ more widely. For the full message from Bishop Patrick, visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/consultation

King’s Coronation Concert – Friday 5th May – St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham The Cathedral will be hosting a Coronation Concert – tickets are now available ranging from £10 to £17.50. Further details to follow. If you would like a ticket, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

English Martyrs School News

Coffee Morning for parents, pre-school children, members of the parish and all visitors. Everyone is welcome! Last Friday of the month term time at 9.15 am. Do pop in and see us and bring your friends!

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.

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