



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Second Sunday of Advent

3 rd December	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Joseph and Jeanne Meschini RIP
4 th December	Second Sunday of Advent	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Angela, Helen and Doug Hyde's Intentions
			10.30 am	St Joseph	All Parishioners
			12.15 pm	Uppingham School Chapel	The Faithful Departed
5 th December	Advent Feria	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Marjorie Port (In Thanksgiving)
6 th December	St Nicholas	Tuesday			No Holy Mass today
7 th December	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 - 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	St Ambrose		10.00 am	Holy Mass	Michael Astill (Good Estate)
8 th December	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Thursday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	The Savant Family
9 th December	Advent Feria	Friday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Sheila Hall's Intentions
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	Glynis Duggan (Good Estate)
10 th December	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Augustine and Priscilla Menezes RIP
11 th December	Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Claire Smith (Good Estate)
			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 3 rd December	Sunday 4 th December
Welcomers	Philip and Mich Sturley	Pauline Morton and James Fay
Readers	Ron Streeter and Siobhan Taylor	Marjorie Port and Lorraine Perril
Coffee		Veronica Wands
Flowers	No flowers during Advent	
Church Cleaning	Jim and Mair O'Kane	
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 10 th December	Sunday 11 th December
Welcomers	Tom and Belinda Reilly	Marie-Therese Goldberg and Fran Rhowbotham
Readers	Irene Kearney-Rose and Meryl Vincent	Annie de Kremer and Brian Moore
Coffee		Rosemarie Duncan and Chris Jones
Flowers	No flowers during Advent	
Church Cleaning	Phil Boak, Rachel Jones and Chris Jones	

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
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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, Melanie McDonald, 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 † John Dawson, Patricia Loring, Tony Kenning, David Westow, John Brown, Douglas Healey, Patricia Hanagan, Ursula Bell, John Nobbs, Ellen Fisher, Bridget O'Sullivan, Denis Giuseppi, Thomas Clapperton, Denis O'Brien, Kathleen Hudson and John Wallace

Last week's collection

Collections	£201.70
Planned Giving and Donations	£877.00
Total	£1,078.70

Advent Penitential Services are as follows:

Monday 12th December – 7.00 pm - Stamford, St Augustine
Tuesday 13th December - 7.00 pm – Bourne, Sacred Heart
Friday 16th December – 7.00 pm - **Oakham, St Joseph**
Sunday 18th December – 4.00 pm – Melton, St John's

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



Bishop Patrick will celebrate First Vespers of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, patron of our Diocese, in St Barnabas Cathedral on Wednesday 7th December at 6.30 pm. During Vespers, the new Chapter Canons (Canons-elect Andrew Cole, Matthew Jakes, John Kyne and Peter Vellacott) and Honorary Canons (Canons-elect Stephen Dye and Stanley Ofoegbu) will be installed. All are very welcome, and to the Reception in Cathedral Hall immediately following Vespers.

Christmas Flowers There will be a collection after Holy Mass this weekend (3rd/4th December) for Christmas Flowers.

Second collection There will be a second collection after Holy Mass next weekend (10th/11th December) for Poor and Needy Parishes.

Parish Christmas Card in aid of the Cardinal Hume centre for the homeless (www.cardinalhume.org.uk). Please consider, instead of sending individual cards to parishioners, signing our card and donating the money saved to this very worthwhile cause.

CAFOD Fast Day We have raised £600 for Cafod Harvest Fast Day. Many thanks for your very generous contributions.

The Rosmini Centre House of Prayer welcomes all to a monthly lecture given by Fr Jonathan Cotton about St Teresa of Kolkata (Mother Teresa), at 2.30 pm on Thursday 8th December. More information can be found at www.rosminicentre.co.uk

English Martyrs School News

Welcome to Mr Dawson who joined us this week as our new premises officer. We also welcome Mrs Wilshire who starts on Monday as a new teaching assistant in Year 2.

This week we took delivery of our trust's travelling crib from St Joseph's in Market Harborough. We filled it with our Advent promises and then delivered it to St Francis in Melton. The crib will make its way round all the schools in the trust over Advent!

Well done to our Team Maths Challenge team who comfortably won the first round of the competition. Fingers crossed for a win in the second round!

Our basketball team played well in the county finals and managed to come second overall, a great result!

Dates for your diary

Celebration Assembly: Every Friday at 2.30 pm in school

Christmas Carol Concert: Thursday 15th December at 6.00 pm at St Joseph's Church

School Mass celebrated by Fr Peter Vellacott – Friday 16th December at 9.15am in school

All members of the parish are invited to these events. 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