



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

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

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## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Tom Nix's Intentions
4 <sup>th</sup> February	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Derek Dawson RIP
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
			12.15 pm	Uppingham School Chapel	Jim Flood & Joey Shelley RIP
5 <sup>th</sup> February	St Agatha	Monday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Peter Tomlinson RIP
6 <sup>th</sup> February	St Paul Miki and Companions	Tuesday	9.30 am	St Joseph	Service of Word & Holy Communion
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Feria	Wednesday	9.00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			10.00 am	Holy Mass	Janet Hughes' Intentions
8 <sup>th</sup> February	St Josephine Bakhita	Thursday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Sybil & John Hedley's Intentions
9 <sup>th</sup> February	Feria	Friday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Mary & Benny Toth's Intentions
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	Laurence Boynton's Intentions
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Ruby McDonagh RIP
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Aidan Cullen (Good Estate)
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo

**Confession Times:** Wednesday: 9.15 am – 9.45 am; Saturday: 11.30 am – 12.00 noon & 3.15 pm – 3.45 pm

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> February
Welcomers	J O' Shea & C Berrie		F Rhowbotham & P Donn
Readers	M Donn & S Taylor	S Allan	J Burns & N O'Rourke
Minister of Holy Communion	B Black & E Worrall	L Knowland	N O'Rourke & R Tennant
Coffee			P Morton & J Fay
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> February
Welcomers	R Lott & A Robinson		J Hickie & J Nash
Readers	M Vincent & A de Kremer	M England	L Perril & R Tennant
Minister of Holy Communion	R Lott & A Wilkinson	S Allan	B Ivory & J Burns
Coffee			C Jones & H Davis
Church Cleaning	R Duncan & M Port		

<b>Parish Website</b>	<a href="http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org">http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org</a>	
<b>Primary School – English Martyrs</b>	Willow Crescent, Oakham	<a href="http://www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk">www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk</a>
<b>Head Teacher</b>	Alison Chambers	Tel: 01572 722400
<b>Children's Liturgy Group</b>	For children up to First Holy Communion	11.00 am Mass in term time
<b>Safeguarding Representative</b>	Irene Kearney-Rose	Email: <a href="mailto:irene@kearney-rose.co.uk">irene@kearney-rose.co.uk</a> Tel: 07743 030 460
<b>Parish Support Group - HELP</b>	Hilary Davis	Tel: 01572 724256
<b>Prayer Groups</b>	Martin & Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
<b>Chairman - Parish Pastoral Council</b>	Jim O'Kane	Tel: 01572 755112
<b>Parish Newsletter</b>	Eileen Worrall	<a href="mailto:eileenworrall@hotmail.com">eileenworrall@hotmail.com</a>

**Please pray for the following who are ill:** Colleen Lully, Mary Hurst, Sarah Ennis, Marie-Jeanne Lloyd-Hughes, Enid Wootton, Susan Healey, Helen Reilly, Stephen Walters, Christopher Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Maura and Mike Goulding, Philip Quinn, Simon Duncan, Fiona Ruddle, Theresa Thompson, Patricia Slater, Monique Pryke, Tim Maskell, Elisabeth Simpson, Claire Smith, Peter Tookey, Bill Hiscocks, Sharon Larkworthy, Mark Smith, Tim White, Helena Woolford, Megan Owens, Robert Johnstone, Monica Holt, Michael Rimmer, John Rhodes, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Virginia Barwell, Cindy Johnston, Mary Lambert, John Owens (Snr), Michael Gardiner, Helen Wilson, Baby Luke Somerville, Graham Andrews, John Widdows, May Carrie, Margaret West-Sadler, Lewis Paul, Floss Jepson, Angela Munton, Nigel Stark, Shane Spencer, Phillip Botteley, Andrea Lynch, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Avril Thompson, Jeffrey Miller, Fr Dominic O'Connor, Fr Kevin Clark, Fr Michael Bell, John and Rosemary Went, Cathy Green, Bernard Gandy, John and Shirley Parminter, Roly Marriott and Catherine Farnell

**Anniversaries †** Mary Thompson, Mary Wallace, Selena Woodbridge, Nellie Webb, Mary Hurley, Francis Kelly, Gladys Clements, Walter Flood, John Joseph Reilly, Marion Griffiths, Barbara O'Hanrahan, Tim Whelan, Victoria Barnett, Gwen Gauntlett, Handel Walters, Margaret Hyde, Elizabeth Hawes, Joseph Foster, Agnes Needham and Francis Turricki

**Last Week's Collection**

Envelopes	£183.25
Loose Plate	£254.14
Standing Orders	<u>£540.00</u>
Total	£977.39

**Prayer volunteers urgently needed**

Are you looking for a challenge during Lent, involving prayer and self-sacrifice? Are you saddened to see the harm done to babies and women through abortion? "40 Days for Life" is a Christian campaign group whose purpose is to save the lives of unborn children through prayer, fasting and community outreach. With the support of Pope Francis for this worldwide initiative, and the encouragement of Bishop Patrick locally, we are running a campaign here in Nottingham during Lent 2018. The aim of our prayers is simple: we are praying for an end to abortion. But we also offer support – moral and practical – to women who may be under pressure to have an abortion which they do not want, and which they may come to regret. Our vigil is prayerful, peaceful and non-judgemental.

We are seeking volunteers to pray with us during Lent, between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm, on a rota basis, at the Treatment Centre on the QMC Campus, where many abortions in Nottinghamshire take place. Most people who come stay for either one or two hours at a time. Please sign up now to pray with us on our webpage [www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/Nottingham](http://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/Nottingham) or contact us on [40daysforlifefenotts@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlifefenotts@gmail.com). If you would like to know more before committing, we are holding an information event on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 pm in the social centre behind St Barnabas' Cathedral, at which you can put questions to people who have done the vigil before. We will also have a speaker, Isabel Vaughan-Spruce, who has led the Birmingham campaign for many years. Come along and find out more! What a fantastic way to prepare for the Solemnity of Easter!

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



**Uppingham School Masses** in the School Chapel will be celebrated at 12.15pm on:

- 4<sup>th</sup> February
- 4<sup>th</sup> March
- 22<sup>nd</sup> April
- 20<sup>th</sup> May
- 17<sup>th</sup> June

**Lenten Penance?**

It is important that we pray for the end of abortion; for the victims of abortion and particularly that the Government does not decriminalise this practice. Therefore, it is proposed that during the six Fridays of Lent from 10.00 am – 11.00 am, we silently pray in front of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. Please make it a Lenten resolution and enter your names on the list in the porch to ensure a sufficient number are present. Thank you.

**PARISH AND SCHOOL SOCIAL – CURRY NIGHT - 8<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

Have you got your tickets yet? Just £10 for a delicious curry, rice and chapatti cooked by Red India. Come along and raise much needed funds for our school whilst catching up with friends old and new. Please contact the school office on 01572 722400 or Sarah on 01572 756622 for tickets.

**DVD and Book Lending Library**

We are co-ordinating a lending library for DVD's and books that you may find of interest. They include some of the DVD's which have been shown over the last few years that you may not have had an opportunity to see. You will find the library on a shelf to the side of the cabinet on the left in the meeting room. Please write in the notebook supplied what you are borrowing and the date. If you have any DVD's or books of a religious nature that you think other parishioners might enjoy, please leave them on the shelf or in the sacristy.

The recent **Whiteflower Appeal for SPUC** raised £355. We also received 14 filled in postcards which will be sent to our local MP.

**£205.63** has been sent to Aid to the Church in Need. This was raised from coffee after Mass.

**Second collection** The recent second collection for Sick and Retired Priests raised £407.43.

**Mary's Meals**

Magnus wishes everyone to know the target of £1.9 million was reached this Christmas and he wishes to pass on his gratitude for your amazing generosity enabling so many more children to receive a meal a day. Also, a further £130 was sent this last week from St Joseph's. Many thanks.

There will be another **Lent Retreat for Women** at the Briars in the beautiful Derbyshire countryside from Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March – cost £70 (inclusive). This is the second weekend retreat as the first one, in 2017, was enjoyed by all those who attended. For further information and to book contact [bookings@ndcys.com](mailto:bookings@ndcys.com)

**Secondary School Head Teacher vacancies – The Becket School and the Trinity School**

Following the appointment of the current head teachers to CEO positions within the Diocese of Nottingham, we are looking to appoint two new head teachers to these high performing schools in Nottingham. Applicants must be practising Catholics and have a strong understanding of Catholic education, but may, currently, be employed outside the Catholic sector. If you are interested, please see the TES or the schools' websites. Closing date is midday on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

**SPUC** The Melton and Rutland branch of this society will meet in Melton on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February. If anyone is interested in attending, Bridget is happy to give them a lift. Please contact Bridget Francis on 01572 812289 for more information.

**Book of Remembrance** This is an ongoing project so if at any time you wish to have the names of loved ones inscribed in our book, please collect a slip from the Church porch which gives details of what to do. Thank you.

**Charity Book Sale** Next week we will be recommending our book sale. If you have any books, please bring them. Many thanks.

**English Martyrs School News**

Our Boccia team competed in the last round of the league this week and after a superb performance they became the county champions! We are very proud of their achievements. Our KS2 Gymnasts competed in the gymnastics competition this week and they also achieved some amazing results. English Martyrs currently stand at the top of the small schools league and we hope to retain the title at the end of this academic year. Tickets are still available for our Curry Night on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February. Please speak to Sarah Archer or the school office if you'd like a ticket. It will be a great night with delicious food, so please join us.

**Churches Together Lent Course**

The annual ecumenical Lent course is on the theme of Resurrection this year and starts week beginning Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February. For details, please read the poster on the noticeboard and sign up on the sheet in the Church porch by Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February if you'd like to join one of the groups. A good opportunity to share your faith with fellow Christians. Contact Marjorie Port if you'd like more information (Tel: 01572 724203).

**Our Sick List**

If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please make Fr Stephen aware or email Maria at: [rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk)

**Please note:** Any cheques made out to the Parish should read **St. Joseph's Oakham RCP**. Thank you.

**A very warm welcome to all our visitors this weekend**