



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Fifth Sunday of the Year

3 rd February	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Bruce Wigmore RIP
4 th February	Fifth Sunday of the Year	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	All Parishioners
5 th February	St Agatha	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Lillian Ward RIP
6 th February	Saints Paul Miki and Companions	Tuesday			
7 th February	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 - 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	Feria		10.00 am	Holy Mass	Special Intention (AH)
8 th February	St Jerome Emiliani	Thursday			
9 th February	Feria	Friday	7.00 pm	Latin Mass St Thomas	Mass at St Thomas, Exton, LE15 8AN Maria Marriott's Intentions
10 th February	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Special Intention (Raymond Keogh)
11 th February	Sixth Sunday of the Year	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	All Parishioners

CONFESSION TIMES: Wednesday: 9.30-10.00 am Saturday: 3.30-4.00 pm

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 3rd February	Sunday 4th February
Welcomers	Philip and Mich Sturley	Marie-Thérèse Goldberg and James Fay
Readers	Ron Streeter and Meryl Vincent	Annie de Kremer and Brian Moore
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Judy Aitkens and Barbara Black	Mary Hatton and Annie de Kremer
Coffee		Veronica Wands
Flowers	Teresa Thompson	
Church Cleaning	Elizabeth Keogh and Ron Streeter	
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 10th February	Sunday 11th February
Welcomers	Tom and Belinda Reilly	Gary Nicolle-Anderiesz and Pauline Morton
Readers	Jennifer Williamson and Siobhan Taylor	Lorraine Perril and Ed Anderson
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Rachel Lott and Eileen Worrall	Anthony Nguyen and Lesley Knowland
Coffee		Chris Jones
Flowers	Teresa Thompson	
Church Cleaning	Jim and Mair O'Kane	

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 725552
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	ppcchair@stjosephs-oakham.org Tel: 01572 722308
Parish Newsletter	Eileen Worrall	eileenworrall@hotmail.com

Please pray for the following who are ill: *Meryl Vincent, Angela Kirkup, Claire Smith, Ita Jones, David Price, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens and Nicholas Tomlinson*

Unfortunately we now need written signed permission from all who wish to have their names in this sick list. **If your loved one has been removed, please contact Maria asap and they will, of course, be reinstated with their written permission.**

This is the guidance for **GDPR** data protection, from our Nottingham Diocese. Many thanks.

If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list with **their written permission**, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk **OR please ask them to complete the form below and return to Maria in the Parish Office. Many thanks.**

Permission form for Sick list

I give my permission for my name to be published in St Joseph's Newsletter and on their (St Joseph's) website in the Newsletter tab.

Print Name.....

Signature.....

Date.....

Anniversaries † *Mary Thompson, Christine Doherty, 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, Barry Nash, Margaret Hyde, Elizabeth Hawes, Mary Lambert, Joseph Foster, Moira Matthews, Agnes Needham and Francis Turricki*

Last week's collection

Collections	£168.55
Planned Giving and Donations	£707.00
Total	£875.55

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 or call 01572 722308. It is very important for all our parishioners to feel part of our community - if we don't know we cannot help.

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



If you would like to offer Holy Mass for friends/family/relatives, please obtain **their written permission** for **their names** to go into the public domain, ie Newsletter and the Newsletter online. This is the guidance for **GDPR** data protection, from our Nottingham Diocese. **If you would like a specific date please give plenty of notice. Many thanks**

Canon Peter will be on holiday from 29th January to 12th February.

Holy Mass Canon Peter will be offering Holy Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning at St Joseph's at the end of each month. He looks forward to getting to know you all.

Our Parish Merger Working Group met on 15th January. This initial meeting was to discuss our transition into being one Parish.

For your information: Ash Wednesday Holy Mass will be celebrated in St Joseph's at 10.00am and St Augustine's at 6.00pm

Important Information – Mass Intentions Please use the brown envelopes in the Church porch for Holy Mass intentions, including any offering you wish to make (ensure you have a signature for those who are living). We have removed the Mass offering from the card machine and the website.

Parish Office Telephone Please note that Canon Stephen is not contactable via the Parish office telephone number. For all Parish enquiries, please contact Maria on the office number or via email, or Canon Peter via email.

Churches Together During January and February, the Churches Together Ecumenical Prayer Group will be meeting in St Joseph's on Thursdays from 1.00-1.30 pm. Please give it your support.

English Martyrs School News

Young Voices! Some of our Year 4,5 and 6 children attended the Young Voices concert in Birmingham on Monday. They joined thousands of children in singing all the songs they've been learning for the last few months and had an amazing night! This is such a fantastic experience for the children!

Basketball A superb effort in the basketball on Friday saw us finish in second place, losing out by only one basket! Our coffee mornings for parents, preschool children, members of the parish and visitors, with activities for the children, will take place on Friday 23rd February and Friday 22nd March at 9.15-11.00 am. Everyone is welcome! Do pop in and see us. We would love to welcome you to our school.

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Fifth Sunday of the Year: The Pope recalled an occasion when someone said to him: "You talk too much about prayer. It is not necessary". The Pope's reply was emphatic: "Yes, it is necessary. Because if we do not pray, we will not have the strength to go forward in life. Prayer is like the oxygen of life. Prayer draws down upon us the presence of the Holy Spirit who always leads us forward. For this reason, I speak a lot about prayer." To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

Calling Catholic Teachers If you are a Catholic teacher currently working outside of Catholic education and would like to find out more about the joys of working in a Catholic school within the Diocese of Nottingham, a virtual information session will take place on Monday 4th March from 7.00 – 8.00pm. More information can be found by contacting Julie Sweeney at the Diocesan education Service: julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk

Most Holy and Undivided Trinity Parish, Grimsby, Cleethorpes and Immingham, is seeking to appoint a parish administrator, beginning on a six-month contract, while working on a deanery service hub with neighbouring parishes. The position will often be the first point of contact for parishioners and non-parishioners, working 24 hours per week. The closing date is 13th February. For more information contact Canon Andrew Cole andrew.cole@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Applications for The Briars Team 2024/25 are now open! If you are feeling called to a volunteer year at The Briars, you can find more information on our website or get in touch with us via any of our social medias @NDCYS or email programmeleader@ndcys.com

LACY Walk for CAFOD Sharing in the “Big Lent Walk” - Sunday 17th March Young People come and join us! Bring your families and friends. Enjoy a short walk commencing from St. Mary’s, Countesthorpe Road, South Wigston, LE18 4PG at 2.00 pm. Walk as much as you can – route supplied - trail to follow with prizes for correct answers! A craft opportunity for younger children who don’t want to walk too far and refreshments. Celebration of Mass at 4.00 pm praying for all those in the areas of conflict in the world. Calling all young people to support! LET’S PUT OUR FAITH INTO ACTION THIS LENT! Looking forward to seeing you! More details of the afternoon, email: paulinepayne@hotmail.com for sponsor forms and details of Just Giving Account or just turn up at 2.00 pm where this information will also be available.

Search for the Light is back again this year! Take some time out this Easter to come to The Briars for an amazing retreat experience. You can come by yourself or with your friends, no parents or teachers needed, and take part in fun activities and opportunities to learn more about and deepen your faith alongside other like-minded young people. This retreat is open to all in years 10 to 13, between Thursday 28th - Sunday 31st March, and costs £55 per person (with bursaries through the St Francis of Assisi fund). Get in contact on our Instagram (@NDCYS) or Facebook (NDCYS – The Briars) or call (01773 852044).

The Diocese of Nottingham is currently recruiting for a Land and Buildings Officer and for a Compliance and Support Property Officer. Details can be found by visiting www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers. For more information, contact Rachael Oxspring on 0115 953 9845. The closing date is Monday 12th February.

Adult Faith Formation Coordinator Holy Family Parish, Nottingham seeks to appoint to this part-time role. Already an essential part of the leadership and ministry in the parish for the last 6 years, due to the current post-holder's retirement applicants are invited for this exciting and developing role. For information, contact Diane Williams, Community Coordinator: 0115 9118266 ccen@dioceseofnottingham.uk. The closing date is Monday 26th February.

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@dioceseofnottingham.uk

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

Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders If you wish to contribute via the parish bank account, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk Many thanks for your ongoing support.