



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON



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Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year

4 th October	Saturday	Vigil Mass	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Emily Morgan RIP
5 th October	Sunday	Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year	10.30 am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
6 th October	Monday	Feria	10.00am	Holy Mass	In Thanksgiving (AH)
7 th October	Tuesday	Our Lady of the Rosary	10.00am	Holy Mass	Beginning of the new School year. The Staff & Children of English Martyrs School
8 th October	Wednesday	Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	9.00 – 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
		Feria	10.00am	Holy Mass	Joe & Mairead Scott Intentions
9 th October	Thursday	Saint John Henry Newman			
10 th October	Friday	Saint Paulinus of York bishop and the Anglo-Saxon Saints of our Diocese	7pm	Holy Latin Mass	St Thomas, Exton, LE158AN Franciscan Sisters intentions
11 th October	Saturday	Vigil Mass	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
12 th October	Sunday	Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Year	10.30 am	Holy Mass	Joyce Ward RIP

Sacrament of Confession TIMES: Wednesday: 9.30-10.00 am Saturday: 3.30-4.00 pm

Please note: This Church is monitored by CCTV cameras and/or live streaming cameras during Holy Mass.

Parish Websites	https://www.stjosephs-oakham.org/	https://www.catholicstamford.com/
Safeguarding Representative	Tel: 07513 725552	Maria.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk
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Parish Newsletter	Maria Marriott	rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk
English Martyrs Primary School	Head Teacher: Mrs Jo Rutledge Willow Crescent, Oakham	Tel: 01572 722400 https://www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk/office@englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk



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 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.

<p>Last week's collection</p> <p>Collections £176.40 Planned Giving & Donations £718.00 Total £894.40</p> <p> 2nd Collection 5th October CAFOD, family fast day Harvest Supper £415.00 As always, many thanks for all your contributions to our Church.</p>	<p>Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders</p> <p>If you wish to contribute via the parish bank account, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk Many thanks for your ongoing support.</p>	<p>Please note:</p> <p>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</p>	<p>Don't forget to join us for light refreshments after Holy Mass on Wednesday and Sunday. All welcome</p> <p></p>
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Please pray for the following who are ill: Meryl Vincent, Angela Kirkup, Claire Smith, Ita Jones, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Monique Pryke, Elisabeth Simpson, Judy Nash, John Rhodes, Amanda Messer, Elizabeth Jones and Peter Davis

If you would like to add anyone to the sick list, (permission required). Please contact Maria rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Anniversaries † Joan White, Gilbert Cook, David Tookey, Malcolm Murray, Emily Lambert, Sarah Tomlinson, Una Ayling, Maxim Jarmola, Dorothy Rhodes, Josephine Hearnden, Lorna Marks, Wendy Harrison, Eileen Tomlinson, Elizabeth Tookey, Irene Wyatt, Bridget Gardiner, Charles Critchlow, Zilla Gibson, Colin Forsyth, Sean Cook

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen

Credo Group We meet at 6pm on a Wednesday – All welcome.

St Michael's Chant Choir - Learn to Sing Gregorian Chant in Latin!

No previous experience of chant needed. Contact Cecile or Jenny for more phone:01572

770580 or email: stmichaelschantchoir@gmail.com

Mobile phones Could you please ensure that your **mobile phone is on silent during Holy Mass.**

Thank you.

It is the Lord's House, which Jesus taught was a house of prayer" (Mt 21:13) and thus should be used according to its purpose. The House of God, where dwells the Real Presence of God, must be treated with ongoing reverence.

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October is designated as the Month of the Holy Rosary in the Catholic Church because the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary falls on October 7th, commemorating its establishment. During this month, Catholics are encouraged to pray the Rosary daily, meditating on the mysteries of Christ's life—Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful, and Glorious—as a way to honor Mary and deepen their faith. https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/overviews/months/10_1.cfm

Churches Together in Oakham The lunch time Churches Together prayer meetings are now being hosted by the **Methodist Church** on **Thursday lunch** times from **1.00 to 1.30 pm during October and November** All are welcome.

First Holy Communion Programme: Application forms are available now for our First Holy Communion Programme **2025/26**, leading to the celebration of First Holy Communion next year. If your child is in **Year 3** at school or aged 7 or over and has not yet made their First Holy Communion, then please obtain an application form available at the back of Church. The closing date for registering for the Programme is **Monday 27th October**. **Those not attending weekly Mass**, at least from the time of application, **will not be eligible** for the subsequent classes or to make their First Holy Communion, as this is a Diocesan expectation.

Enabling our Mission Campaign (Thank you for your support!): I am delighted to announce that we have now secured £258,201 in pledges for the Enabling Our Mission Campaign, surpassing our goal of £235,000 as the initiative comes to an end in our parishes of Stamford and Oakham. My heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you. I know there are some families out there who are still considering their pledge, and I would be delighted to have your support. While we are guaranteed to receive 40% of the initial £235,000 raised, the parish will receive 50% of everything raised over this and so we have much to benefit from. Thank you for your support and please pray for the continued success of the Enabling Our Mission Campaign in our diocese.

Our Harvest Supper

What an amazing Harvest Supper we had! Beverley Hancock, wife of our late and much loved parishioner, Denys Hancock, instigated a wonderful harvest Supper evening. Several ladies got together to organise the evening. Beverley then prepared and cooked the meal but unfortunately was unable to attend. A great big ****THANK YOU**** to the kitchen team, the washer uppers, the servers and all those who made the delicious desserts! Those who provided the raffle prizes, whether they attended or not, all were gratefully received. We would also like to thank our members of the clergy, Canon Peter, Canon Stephen and Deacon Raymond who attended and Chris for bringing the Jubilee Icon and the talk. A mini auction took place and even included auctioning the table decorations! Thank you Madam auctioneer, for a job well done! No one seemed to be in a hurry to go home but when they eventually did, a big thank you to those who helped clear up. Finally, the aim of the evening was to *feed the hungry*, which we did by raising £415.00 for 2 charities Aid for Chad & Peru and CAFOD. Many Thanks

Come on a day out singing Gregorian chant! There is a trip being planned to a chant workshop at St William of York Church in Reading, on Saturday 25th October. The day consists of chant workshops and will finish with a sung mass in honour of Our Lady. It is suitable for everyone from beginners to highly experienced singers and the chant tuition is being given by the Schola Gregoriana from London. All music will be provided. The workshop is £5 for children and students/£10 for adults. We have several DBS-checked adults going, so unaccompanied children and young people are welcome (minimum age 7.) A minibus will be leaving from the car park of St Joseph's (Oakham) at 7 am, and we should be back by 9 pm. Transport costs are yet to be confirmed but will be kept to a minimum. For further information or to register, contact Cecile or Jenny on 01572 770 580 or email: stmichaelschantchoir@gmail.com

Fundraising for Outreach : Tuesday 14th October at 7.00pm. The next 'Mission Lab' is all about fundraising for parish projects. If you have a project in mind for your parish, or if you'd simply like to pick up tips for the future, Kristen, the diocesan fundraising manager, will help you realise your dream. Register at bit.ly/mission-lab

Holy Year 2025 Our dear parishioner Andrew Nicoll will be going on pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee Year in the October half term. If anyone would like to write any (private) prayer intentions, he will be pleased to say those prayers confidentially or publically in Rome or in Assisi which he will also visit. He is travelling with the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre (England and Wales Lieutenancy) and the itinerary includes an audience with the Holy Father Pope Leo. Please leave your prayers in writing in an envelope in the parish office or with Maria Marriott as necessary by Friday 17 October.

Holy Mass Streaming Service 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. rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk or call 01572 722308

Please note:

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