



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM &

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Second Sunday of Advent



7 th December	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Saturday	11.00am	St Joseph	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	Vigil Mass		4.30 pm		For Emily
8 th December	Second Sunday of Advent	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Pro Populo
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Charles David Geach RIP
9 th December	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady	Monday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Sister Briege McKenna's Intentions
10 th December	The Martyrs of Lincolnshire	Tuesday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Isabel Grant RIP
11 th December	St Damasus	Wednesday	9.00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			10.00 am	Holy Mass	Maureen Mildner's Intentions
12 th December	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Thursday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Peter & Chris Martin's Intentions
13 th December	St Lucy	Friday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Rosalind & Adam Francis-Ellis Intentions
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	Marilyn Dear RIP
14 th December	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Saturday	11.00am	St Joseph	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	Vigil Mass		4.30 pm	St Joseph	Pro Populo
15 th December	Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Holy Souls in Purgatory
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Pauline Smith RIP

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

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 7 th December		Sunday 8 th December	
	4.30 pm (St Joseph)		9.00 am (Exton)	11.00 am (St Joseph)
Welcomers	C Berrie & A Robinson			C Jones & N McGarrity
Readers	J Alston & T Reilly		C Smith/ S Walker	L Perril & A Shacklady
Minister of Holy Communion	E Worrall & R Lott		tbc	M Pryke & A Nguyen
Coffee				J Fay & P Morton
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 14 th December		Sunday 15 th December	
	4.30 pm (St Joseph)		9.00 am (Exton)	11.00 am (St Joseph)
Welcomers	E Worrall & J O'Shea			J Hickie & F Rhowbotham
Readers	R Lott & A de Kremer		C Knowland	J Burns & N O'Rourke
Minister of Holy Communion	B Black & J Aitkens		tbc	K Wigmore & A Hutton
Coffee				The Slattery Family
Church Cleaning	M & J O'Kane			


Parish Website	http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org	
English Martyrs Primary School	Willow Crescent, Oakham	www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk
Head Teacher	Alison Chambers	Tel: 01572 722400
Children's Liturgy Group	For children up to First Holy Communion	
Safeguarding Representative	James Belderbos	11.00 am Mass in term time Email: james.belderbos@gmail.com Tel: 07535 940 048.
Parish Support Group - HELP	Hilary Davis	Tel: 01572 724256
Prayer Groups	Martin & Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
Chairman - Parish Pastoral Council	Jim O'Kane	Tel: 01572 755112
Parish Newsletter	Eileen Worrall	eileenworrall@hotmail.com

Please pray for the following who are ill: *Colleen Lully, Mary Hurst, Sarah Ennis, Marie-Jeanne LloydHughes, Enid Please pray for the following who are ill: Philip Quinn, Teresa Thompson, Claire Smith, Sharon Larkworthy, Halina Woolford, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Fr David Bowler, Annie Welsh, Daniel Dopson, Floss, Jepson Joy Widdows, Pat Dawson Krystyna Chritchlow and Sally Blythin, Dennis Trevor, Richard Goodger, Jean Geach and Daphne Berarey*

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 Nobbs, Ellen Fisher, Bridget O'Sullivan, Denis Giuseppi, Thomas Clapperton, Denis O'Brien, Kathleen Hudson, John Wallace, Gladys Reuse, Agnes Wallace, Willott Graczyk, John Patrick O'Shea and Monica Joyce*

Last Week's Collection	A warm welcome to Mia Nowakowska and Mila Sofia Hayes-Cox who are joining God's family, the Church, through the Rite of Baptism this weekend. May God guide and protect them throughout their lives.
Envelopes £203.75	There will be a collection for Christmas flowers for the Church after all Masses this weekend.
Loose Plate £256.18	
Standing Orders £590.00	
Total £1,049.93	

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

Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Robert Johnson who died recently. Please remember him in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Robert's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 19th December at 12 noon.

Uppingham School Masses
Dates for 2020 to be confirmed soon.

Second Collection There will be a second collection at all Masses next weekend (14th/15th December) for Poor and Needy Parishes.

The Parish Christmas Card will be available from next weekend. Please consider signing it instead of sending individual cards to parishioners and putting the money saved in the box provided. There will also be a **Christmas Hamper** which will be raffled over the next few weeks. The money raised from both will go this year to **Action Homeless for Leicester and Rutland**.

Churches Together in Oakham Help us to put Christ back into Christmas at the late night shopping event on Monday 9th December outside All Saints Church from 6.00/6.30 pm with our fellow Christians. Come and join us in singing carols outside, accompanied by Elizabeth Keogh on the keyboard, ending with a glass of mulled wine inside the Church. Our singing was very well received last year but we need more people from St Joseph's to join in the singing.

Nativity Trail - Churches Together in Oakham have organised a Nativity Trail for the late night shopping evening on Monday 9th December for children and families, with real people and animals!! Come and meet the Three Kings outside the Congregational Church, High Street, the Angels in Market Street, the Shepherds and animals in Gaol Street, and Mary and Joseph in the Stable at All Saints Church. Every child will receive a free little gift at each location.

Mary's Meals Message from Magnus. "Do join us for Christmas dinner and set your place at the virtual Christmas dinner table! For £13.90 you can give a child a dinner every day, not just Christmas day! You will receive your family plate with your name printed on it and join over 800 families throughout the world." (All details on the website).

English Martyrs School News
Well done to the cycling team who competed on Friday. They had a team pursuit and a cross country course to complete. They won the competition easily!
Congratulations to the Sports Hall athletics team who competed on Thursday at UCC. The children were amazing and gave 100%. Out of the 18 teams who began the competition, they came in 8th place. A really good achievement.

Mother's Prayers There will be no Mother's Prayers meeting in December. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 28th January 2020.

St Joseph's Parish Sewing Group will be meeting in the Meeting Room on Saturdays (except last Saturday of the month) from 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm. Bring your own project, sewing/knitting/crochet/embroidery etc. and come and share tea/coffee, company and conversation. The last meeting for December is on the 14th. Any questions, telephone Jenny Urquhart on 01572 770580.

Church Repository There are many items and cards available in our repository in the Meeting Room. Please take the time to come and have a look. If you would like to order anything, please use the notepad provided. Christmas Cards now on sale. We also have handmade paper angels for sale – donations to Mary's Meals.

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.

Mass Intentions If you wish to have a Mass said for anyone living or deceased, please use the envelopes provided in the Church porch.

Our Sick List If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please fill in a consent form available in the Church porch or email Maria at: 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