



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

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



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### Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

7 <sup>th</sup> May	Vigil Mass	Saturday	6.30 pm	St Joseph	Norah Cassidy RIP
8 <sup>th</sup> May	The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Pro Populo
			10.30 am	St Joseph	Mabel Jenkins RIP
9 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Feria	Monday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	In Thanksgiving to St Anthony
10 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Feria	Tuesday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	In Thanksgiving to St Blaise
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Blessed Martyrs of Derbyshire	Wednesday	9.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			10.00 am	Holy Mass	Sister Anthony's Intentions
12 <sup>th</sup> May	St Pancras	Thursday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Bridget Beckett RIP
13 <sup>th</sup> May	Our Lady of Fatima	Friday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Mary Few RIP
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	Donor's Intentions
14 <sup>th</sup> May	Vigil Mass	Saturday	6.30 pm	St Joseph	In Thanksgiving to St Anthony
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Solemnity of Pentecost	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Special Intention (H.H)
			10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
			12.15 pm	Uppingham School Chapel	

**Confession Times:** Wednesday: 9.15 am – 9.45 am; Saturday: 11.30 am – 12.00 noon & 5.15 pm – 5.45 pm

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May
Welcomers	D Cassidy & E Worrall		P Donn & J Hickie
Readers	A de Kremer & S Taylor		H Davis & L Perril
Minister of Eucharist	B Black & M Port		B Ivory & K Wigmore
Coffee	J Kelly & C Slattery		
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> May
Welcomers	B Francis & J Widdows		T & C Slattery
Readers	J Widdows & R Streeter		C Miller & I Kearney-Rose
Minister of Eucharist	M Donn & R Lott		R Miller & M Pryke
Coffee	R Hunt & R Duncan		
Church Cleaning	L Perril, P Boak & L Stetkova		

<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>Acting Head Teacher</b>	Mrs A Chambers Tel: 01572 722400
<b>Children's Liturgy Group</b>	For children up to First Holy Communion 10.30 am Mass in term time
<b>Safeguarding Representative</b>	Irene Kearney Rose Tel: 01572 823883
<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>	Sarah Archer Tel: 01572 756622
<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, Bernadette Wilkinson, Mary Crump, Sarah Ennis, Marie-Jeanne Lloyd-Hughes, Eileen Cox, Enid Wootton, Susan Healey, Helen Reilly, Stephen Walters, Christopher Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Maura & Mike Goulding, Philip Quinn, Simon Duncan, Fiona Ruddle, Theresa Thompson, Patricia Slater, Monique Pryke, Tim Maskell, John O'Brien, Elisabeth Simpson, Claire Smith, Peter Tookey, Bill Hiscocks, Sharon Larkworthy, Mark Smith, Tim White, Helena Woolford, Megan Owens, Robert Johnstone, Monica Holt, Tricia Brophy, Michael Rimmer, John Rhodes, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Yvonne Trevor, Virginia Barwell, Cindy & Graham Johnston

**Anniversaries †** Albert Tyler, Harold Healey, Patrick Cleere, Anne Camus, Margaret Reeves, Norah Cassidy, Cyril Ecob, Jean Cook Anne Wotton, Emilia Robinson, Rose Wheldon, Terry Colman, William Caffrey, James Halfin & Margaret Alderdice

<b>Last Week's Collection</b>	
Envelopes	£137.65
Loose Plate	£255.64
S/O	£540.00
Totals	£933.29

**The Year of Mercy** announced by Pope Francis began officially on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015 and continues until 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016. His intention is that the "balm of mercy" should reach everyone and that this would be a sign that the Kingdom of God is present in our midst. As well as an opportunity for our own spiritual growth, it is also a time to reflect upon the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, i.e. our love in action.

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



There is a Diocesan website: [www.bemerciful.co.uk](http://www.bemerciful.co.uk) which will be a hub for events and activities during the year. Bishop Patrick would like each parish and each school to reflect upon what they are already doing through the lens of mercy and then undertake one further act of mercy.

**Sunday Masses at Uppingham** in the School Chapel at 12.15 pm:

- 15<sup>th</sup> May
- 12<sup>th</sup> June

**The Seven Spiritual Works of Mercy**

1. Counselling the doubtful
2. Instructing the ignorant
3. Caring about sinners
4. Comforting the afflicted
5. Forgiving offences
6. Bearing wrongs patiently
7. Praying for the living and the dead

**The Seven Corporal Works of Mercy**

1. Feeding the Hungry
2. Giving drink to the thirsty
3. Clothing the naked
4. Welcoming the stranger
5. Visiting the sick
6. Visiting the imprisoned
7. Burying the dead

2nd collection for clergy formation was £391.91. Many thanks

**First Holy Communion.**

We have 14 children in our parish, preparing to make their First Holy Communion on the Feast of Corpus Christi 29<sup>th</sup> May 2016, Please keep them and their families, in your prayers as the get ready to receive Our Blessed Lord for the first time.

**The Parents Association of English Martyrs school** are holding a quiz night on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May at the school at 7.30pm to help raise funds for the school. Parishioners are invited to attend the event. The entrance fee is £5 per person and will include a chip supper and a glass of wine, beer or a soft drink. Tickets for the event can be purchased direct from the school office and will be on sale after Mass on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May and Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

**"Year of Divine Mercy"** WHY not join our 8 day pilgrimage to the Divine Mercy in Poland from 5<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016, led by Fr Paul Lloyd, all for £829. This will include visits to the Black Madonna, St Pope John Paul II's birthplace and many more historical places. Contact Teresa on 0116 2248350 or mobile 07877 581148. A deposit of £200 is required.

**March for Life UK** takes place on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May in Birmingham. Local coach available, cost £5 - children free. A wonderful inspiring pro-life celebration for all the family, this event attracts large numbers of young people from all over the UK and is an inspirational Christian witness. Starting with Mass in Birmingham Cathedral, concelebrated by Bishop Patrick who is attending the march, it continues this year as a pro-life festival in the heart of the city centre. Live music, food stalls, face painting, balloons and flags; inspiring international speakers and the Mercy bus are just some of the attractions. Last year the happiness and the awesome minutes of silent prayer were an amazing experience. The coach leaves Melton Baptist Church at 8.00 am returning at 6.30 pm approx. For more details/ booking, please call 01664 565781 or email [spucmeltonandrutland@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:spucmeltonandrutland@hotmail.co.uk).

Please pray for Meela O'Neill and Tom Hocking who are getting married at St Thomas of Canterbury, Exton on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May. May God be with them as they begin their new life together as a married couple.

**Mary's Meals** A huge thank you for all the items left in the Church porch – we really appreciate your amazing support. So far 145 backpacks have been sent and we are very keen to send more. We are looking for donations of rulers, coloured pens/pencils, tennis balls, pencil cases, soap, flip flops or second hand shoes. Any donations can be left in the box in the Church porch. Many thanks.

There will be a showing of the third, newly released, Mary's Meals DVD in the Meeting Room on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00 pm. For more information, please contact Bridget Francis on 01572 812289.

**English Martyrs School News** We are collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. If anyone has any, please leave them in the box in the Church porch.

**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*