



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM &
ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Palm Sunday

8 th April	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Joseph Perez Tirado RIP
9 th April	Palm Sunday	Sunday	8.00 am	St Joseph	Student Cross Intentions
			9.00 am	St Thomas	Pro Populo
			11.00 am	St Joseph	Meryl's Intentions
			4.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross and Benediction
			6.00 pm	St Joseph	Ecumenical Service for Churches Together in Oakham
10 th April	Monday of Holy Week	Monday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Peter O'Rourke RIP
11 th April	Tuesday of Holy Week	Tuesday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Nancy Prendergast RIP
12 th April	Spy Wednesday	Wednesday	8.00 am	Holy Mass	Penny Glaspole RIP
			11.30 am	Chrism Mass at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham	
13 th April	Maundy Thursday	Thursday	7.30 pm	Holy Mass	Fr David Hutton RIP
14 th April	Good Friday	Friday	3.00 pm	Liturgy of the Passion and Veneration of the Cross	
			7.30 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross
15 th April	Vigil Mass	Holy Saturday	8.30 pm	St Joseph	Agnes Wolesley RIP Esther McLoughlin RIP
16 th April	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of Our Lord	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	The Gainsborough Family
			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 8 th April	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 9 th April
Welcomers	P & M Sturley		P Donn & J Hickie
Readers	A de Kremer & J Alston Passion: J Widdows Other Voices: T Reilly	P Gatheral	I Kearney-Rose & R Tennant Passion: M Mildner Other Voices: M Port
Minister of Eucharist	M Donn & R Lott	A Loring	N O'Rourke & J Burns
Coffee			R Duncan & R Hunt
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 15 th April	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 16 th April
Welcomers	T & B Reilly		T & C Slattery
Readers	N O'Rourke, R Streeter, J Widdows, M Mildner & J Williamson	Lady Maria Pridden	R & C Miller
Minister of Eucharist	M Donn, J Burns & J Aitkins	TBC	M Pryke, B Ivory & L Perril
Coffee			J & B Nash
Church Cleaning	L Perril, P Boak & L Stetkova		
Parish Website	http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org		
Primary School – English Martyrs	Willow Crescent, Oakham		www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk
Head Teacher	Mrs A Chambers		Tel: 01572 722400
Children's Liturgy Group	For children up to First Holy Communion		11.00 am Mass in term time
Safeguarding Representative	Irene Kearney Rose		Tel: 01572 823883
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Prayer Groups	Martin & Barbara Black		Tel: 01572 724918
Chairman - Parish Pastoral Council	Sarah Archer		Tel: 01572 756622
Parish Newsletter	Eileen Worrall		eileenworrall@hotmail.com

Please pray for the following who are ill: Colleen Lully, Mary Hurst, Bernadette Wilkinson, Sarah Ennis, Marie-Jeanne Lloyd-Hughes, Eileen Cox, 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, 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, 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, Yvonne Trevor, Floss Jepson and Angela Munton

Anniversaries † Carol Seaton, James Tyler, Ciro Nerini, Mary Flanagan, Veronica Hubbard, Susan Maiden, Elizabeth Carroll, Sydney Wilkinson, Gertrude Mary Ford, Alan Shelley, Brian Fobbester, Godfrey Nicolle Anderiesz, Dorothy Fullagar, Peter Wallace, Christopher Herridge and Peter Bailey

Last Week's Collection

Envelopes £162.50
Loose Plate £307.71
Standing Orders £540.00
Total £1,010.21

£210.25 has been given to Aid to the Church in Need raised from coffee's after Mass.

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:

- Sunday 21st May
- Sunday 11th June

No Confessions this Wednesday owing to Fr Stephen attending the Chrism Mass at Nottingham Cathedral.

PLEASE NOTE Changes of times of services in this Holy Week.

Church flowers for Easter We will be arranging the flowers for Easter on Thursday morning at about 10.00 am in the Meeting Room so if anyone would like to volunteer to help you will be most welcome. Contact Maureen for further information on 756477.

Good Friday's collection is for Holy Places in Palestine.

Holy Week This coming week is the most solemn and Holy Week in the Christian calendar as we recall, relive and re-enact, through our beautiful liturgies, the events of that first Holy Week. Wednesday of Holy Week will draw us together in our Cathedral Church, the Mother Church of our diocese, when Priests, Deacons, Religious and the laity will gather around the altar with our Bishop Patrick to celebrate the Mass of the Holy Oils. During the Mass, all the Priests and Deacons present will renew their commitment to the ministry and vocation, as all the people present offer their support and encouragement. During the Mass, our Bishop Patrick will bless and consecrate the Holy Oils for us to use in our Diocese during the coming year. There are, as you know, three holy oils used in the Church's celebration in the Sacraments; the Holy Oil of Baptism used during Baptism, the Holy Oil of Ordination and the Holy Oil of the Sick used for the Anointing of the Sick. All anointing symbolises consecration and dedication to the Lord and also the healing power and touch of the Lord as he reaches out to us through the Sacraments.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday Holy Thursday is a truly special day for all of us as we gather together to celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper, during which we will be having the Washing of the Feet as a sign of our service and love to, and for, each other. Fr Stephen and Deacon Raymond will renew their commitment to the priestly and diaconal ministry and service. Watching takes place until midnight, recalling the Agony of Jesus in the Garden.

Good Friday Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence, a day of solemnity as we recall the event of the First Good Friday. I hope that every parishioner will make a special effort to give time to the meaning and the solemnity of this day and to a deeper understanding and appreciation of the cross and mystery of our Redemption.

Holy Saturday Holy Saturday is a day of stillness as we recall Christ in the tomb. At our Easter Vigil ceremonies, we recall and re-live, through the beautiful liturgy of the church, the story of creation as we light the Easter Fire, the lighting of the Easter Candle, the proclamation of the Exsultet – the great Easter Hymn of Triumph, the blessing of the Easter Water and the public renewal of our Baptismal Promises, followed by the First Mass of the Resurrection.

St Joseph's and English Martyrs 200 club winners for March:

1st prize £100 Danny Cassidy
2nd prize £20 J Sweeney
3rd prize £10 Lorna Grammer

After the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening we have a tradition of having a small celebration in the Meeting Room. If anyone would like to contribute a small plate of finger food for this, please leave it in the Meeting Room before Mass and join us for a drink and a chat afterwards. Contact Maureen for further information on 756477.

Church Repository Please take the time to visit the Church Repository in the Meeting Room. We have some lovely Easter cards at a really reasonable price.

Faith in Families The half yearly collection for Faith in Families raised £128.72. Thank you to everyone for their generosity and continued support.

The Readers' Rota for the Sacred Triduum is now ready in the Church porch. Please pick up your copy as soon as possible.

English Martyrs School News We were lucky to have the Osprey team in from the nature reserve at Rutland Water last week as it was Rutland Osprey week. Our Osprey ambassadors helped to set up a live web to find out about Ospreys in other countries such as Spain and parts of Africa. We had a really informative assembly on Friday from the experts who gave us lots of interesting facts and explained how the birds are now arriving back in Rutland over the next few weeks.

Lots of our children joined in with the celebrations for 20 years of Rutland Independence at the weekend by entering the Rutland run on Saturday morning and our choir sang and played ukuleles at the Castle during the afternoon. Some of our Key Stage 2 children have been busy rehearsing for the Spotlight dance show with other Rutland schools and will be performing on two evenings this week.

The children have been amazing at collecting items for the back packs for Mary's meals and we will complete these by the end of the week, as well as collecting silver coins for CAFOD's project of turning little fish into big fish. Thank you to all our parents for their continued support. We would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody a peaceful and enjoyable Easter.

SPUC and Life have launched a joint petition to have Marie Stopes International's (MSI) licence to perform abortions in the UK withdrawn. The joint initiative comes in light of recent scandals and in the wake of a probe which has lifted the lid on the nation's shameful abortion industry. You can sign online using this link <https://www.spuc.org.uk/get-involved/campaign-with-us/voke-licenses> or sign the petition in the Church porch.

Book of Remembrance As many of you will have noticed, our Book is on display in the Church in the wooden cabinet. This is an ongoing project and as more names are handed in they will be added in due course. As a reminder, there are slips in the Church porch giving details of how to have names of loved ones inscribed in the Book.

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

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