



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

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

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### First Sunday of Lent

8 <sup>th</sup> March	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Hugh Burns RIP and Angela Munton RIP
9 <sup>th</sup> March	First Sunday of Lent	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
			4.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Lenten Feria	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Mary King RIP
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Lenten Feria	Tuesday	<b>11.00 am</b>	Holy Mass	<b>Requiem Mass for Yvonne Bailey</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 – 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	Lenten Feria		10.00 am	Holy Mass	Bruce Wigmore and Catherine MacMurray RIP
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Lenten Feria	Thursday			
14 <sup>th</sup> March	Lenten Feria	Friday	7.00 pm	Latin Mass St Thomas	Mass at St Thomas, Exton, LE158AN <b>No Latin Mass this week</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Kathleen Crilly RIP
16 <sup>th</sup> March	Second Sunday of Lent	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
			4.00 pm	St Joseph	Stations of the Cross

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

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> March
Welcomers	Caroline Berrie and Ann Robinson	Fran Rhowbotham and Maureen Mildner
Readers	Mich Sturley and Meryl Vincent	Lorraine Perril and Nuala O'Rourke
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Joan Burns and Eileen Worrall (A deK)	Anthony Loring and Fran Rhowbotham
Coffee		Gary Nicolle-Andersiez
Flowers	No flowers during Lent	
Church Cleaning	Eileen Worrall and Maria Marriott	
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> March
Welcomers	Siobhan and Nick Taylor	Chris Jones and Nola McGarrity
Readers	Tom Reilly and Irene Kearney-Rose	Ed Anderson and Marjorie Port
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ed Anderson and Michael Terrett (AW)	Mary Hatton and Billy Ivory
Coffee		Phil Boak
Flowers	No flowers during Lent	
Church Cleaning	Rosemarie Duncan and Charlie Farmer	

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

<b>Parish Websites</b>	<a href="http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org">www.stjosephs-oakham.org</a>	<a href="http://www.catholicstamford.com">www.catholicstamford.com</a>
<b>English Martyrs Primary School Head Teacher</b>	Willow Crescent, Oakham Gosia Brown	<a href="http://www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk">www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk</a> Tel: 01572 722400
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<b>House Faith Sharing Group</b>	Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
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<b>Parish Newsletter</b>	Eileen Worrall	<a href="mailto:eileenworrall@hotmail.com">eileenworrall@hotmail.com</a>

**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, Margaret Stacey, Judy Nash, John Rhodes, Jean Aiken and Amanda Messer*

**Parish Sick List** If you would like to add anyone to the sick list, please contact Maria in the Parish Office at [rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk) **Please note, if you give permission, their name will be published in St Joseph's Newsletter and on St Joseph's website in the Newsletter tab.**

**Anniversaries †** *Patricia Beckett, Andrew Seale, Hugh Burns, Henry Ferguson, James Rouse, Manuela Cox, Atelia Leandro, Mary Rathbone, Lily Millar, Richard McCarthy, Paul Keany, Peter Rafferty, Vera Williamson, John Wyatt, Leslie Gauntlett, Patricia Maiden, Thomas Ruane and George Stephens*

**Parish Office Telephone contact:** For all Parish enquiries, please contact Maria on the office number or via email, 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.**

**Shhhhhh.... Important – please read:** Just a gentle reminder to all. It would be appreciated if you could be quiet in Church before Holy Mass begins and leave the Church quietly after Holy Mass ends. We encourage you to chat with others but please do so once you are outside of the main body of the Church so that you won't disturb others who want to pray. Many thanks for your understanding.

**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](mailto: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.

**Last week's collection**

Collections	£108.72
Planned Giving and Donations	£697.00
Total	£805.72

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



**Credo Group** The Credo Group meets on Thursday in the Meeting Room at 6.00 pm. All welcome.

**Please note:** 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](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**Mobile phones** Could you please ensure that your **mobile phone is on silent during Holy Mass.** We have placed some notices in the Church porch as a reminder. Thank you.

**Please note** If you are using the **Meeting Room** to attend Holy Mass, **please** ensure that you always supervise your children as if they are in the main body of the Church. Help and guide them to participate with reverence, to learn their faith and to help them grow a deeper understanding of the Holy Mass. Thank you. If you require children's Missals, please have a look in the Repository or contact Maria at [rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**Stations of the Cross** on Sundays at 4.00 pm in St Joseph's during Lent, starting on the 9<sup>th</sup> March. We will alternate on Fridays between St Joseph's and All Saints Church at 11.00 am: 14<sup>th</sup> March – St Joseph's, 21<sup>st</sup> March – All Saints; 28<sup>th</sup> March – St Joseph's; 4<sup>th</sup> April – All Saints and 11<sup>th</sup> April – St Joseph's.

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

**English Martyrs School News**

**Coffee morning dates:** The next 2 coffee mornings will take place on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April - 9.15-11.00 am approx. All welcome. There will be activities for preschoolers. Please do pop in and see us; we would love to welcome you to our school.

**Food bank donations:** Thank you so much for your donations to the English Martyrs School Food Bank collection. We will leave the collection box in the church porch for the foreseeable future. Thank you for your continued support.

**Nottingham Cathedral Choir and Youth Choir** are gearing up to perform the Bach St John Passion on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 7.45 pm, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham NG1 5AE. At the start of Lent, and for those haven't experienced the St John Passion, it is the perfect preparation for Holy Week. Since the performance falls the day before Mothering Sunday, the Choirs are offering 10% off tickets if you are treating your mum! This discount is available until 19<sup>th</sup> March; simply use the code MUM10 at the checkout: use the QR code on the poster at the back of church.

**The Diocesan Women's Lent Retreat** returns to Nottingham this year on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April. The theme of the retreat is 'The Sacred Heart: An Icon of Hope' and it will be given by Canon Jonathan Cotton, a fantastic retreat leader. Good Shepherd Church, Nottingham (NG5 4HT) will host the retreat which will include Holy Mass, talks, confession, social time and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book, please see the poster in church or visit [dioceseofnottingham.uk/events](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/events)

Join men from across the diocese on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April** for our **annual Men's Retreat**, once again at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey. The theme of the retreat is 'The Journey Through Holy Week' and it will be given by Father John Farrell OP, former provincial of the Dominican Order. The retreat will include Holy Mass in the Abbey, talks, confession, guided adoration and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book, please see the poster in church or visit [dioceseofnottingham.uk/events](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/events)

**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](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk) or call 01572 722308.

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

**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](mailto:rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

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

**Parish Groups – HELP** HELP is a group to support Parishioners. A lot of our parishioners are elderly now and probably feeling very lonely and some might even be housebound. Not being able to get out or see anybody also affects their mental health. So we can offer to visit or make a telephone call. Knowing that you have made a difference can be very satisfying. Also, if someone is looking after a loved one and needs a break, we can offer to stay with that person. We can also help with housework, shopping, preparing a meal, even walking the dog, arrange transport for appointments or a lift to Holy Mass. This is a voluntary group but can be very rewarding and it would be lovely to have more people on board. If you feel this is something you would like to do, please contact Rosemarie Duncan on 01572 723873.