



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

20 th November	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	The Faithful Departed
21 st November	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	The Faithful Departed
			11.00 am	Holy Mass	All Parishioners, Visitors, Relatives and Friends of our Church Community
22 nd November	St Cecilia	Monday		Holy Mass	The Faithful Departed
23 rd November	St Clement	Tuesday		Holy Mass	The Faithful Departed
24 th November	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 am – 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	St Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions		10.00 am	Holy Mass	The Faithful Departed
25 th November	St Catherine of Alexandria	Thursday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	The Faithful Departed
26 th November	Feria	Friday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	The Faithful Departed
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	The Faithful Departed
27 th November	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Ida Williams RIP
28 th November	First Sunday of Advent	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	All Parishioners, Visitors, Relatives and Friends of our Church Community
			11.00 am	Holy Mass	Robert Johnstone RIP

CONFESSION TIMES: Wednesday: 09.30 – 10.00 am Saturday: 11.15 – 11.45 am

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 20 th November	Sunday 21 st November
Welcomers	Siobhan and Nick Taylor	Nola McGarrity and Gary Nicolle-Anderiesz
Readers	Irene Kearney-Rose and Ron Streeter	Marjorie Port and Maureen Mildner
Coffee		Rosemarie Duncan and Chris Jones
Flowers	Maureen Mildner	
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 27 th November	Sunday 28 th November
Welcomers	Phil and Mich Sturley	Fran Rhowbotham and Maureen Mildner
Readers	Siobhan Taylor and Irene Kearney-Rose	Brian Moore and Marjorie Port
Coffee		Joy Kelly and Chris Slattery
Flowers	No flowers during Advent	

Parish Website	http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org	
English Martyrs Primary School Head Teacher	Willow Crescent, Oakham Alison Chambers	www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk Tel: 01572 722400
Children's Liturgy Group	For children up to First Holy Communion	11.00 am Mass in term time
Safeguarding Representative	Maria Marriott	rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk
Parish Support Group - HELP	Rosemarie Duncan	Tel: 01572 723873
Prayer Groups	Martin and Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
Chair - 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, Philip Quinn, Teresa Thompson, Sharon Larkworthy, Halina Woolford, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Janet and Barry ChalmersStevens, Fr David Bowler, Annie Welsh, Daniel Dopson, Floss Jepson, Joy Widdows, Krystyna Chritchlow, Sally Blythin, Richard Goodger, Jim Whalley, Anne Stevenson, Fr John Trenchard, Elisabeth Simpson, Florence Valentine, Alison Pepperdine. Neil Mackenzie, David Price, Brian Jiggins, Fr Kevin Gradwell, Moira McCormick, Claire Smith, Fiona Ruddle, Elsie Fay and Calum Simpson* 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 † *Annie Williamson, Maria Boyle, Ricardo Burgio, Jonathan Port, Aline Egan, Mary Royce, Annette Moss, Bernard Gandy, Michael Durkin, Frankie Freeman, Ellen Unsworth, Douglas Gordon-Boyd, Gerard Smyth, James Cockerham, Henry Day, Arthur Fullbrook, Beryl Gutteridge and Harold Bagley*

Last Week's Collection

Envelopes	£593.00
Loose Plate	£64.86
Standing Orders	£630.00
Total	£1,287.86

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



The Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion 2022

Preparation lessons will begin in early 2022. If your child is in year 3, please email Maria for more information at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

Just to clarify some issues that arose at the first Synod meeting (8th November)

Quotations from the Conciliar and post-Conciliar Documents of Vatican Council II.

1. A suitable place may be allotted to the vernacular in Masses which are celebrated with the people, especially in the readings and the common prayer . . . Nevertheless, care must be taken to ensure that the faithful may also be able to say or sing together in Latin those parts of the Ordinary of the Mass which pertain to them (from the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Sacrosanctum Concilium, paragraph 54.)
2. From the letter to Bishops on the Minium Repertoire of Plainchant. . . a desire which the Holy Father had frequently expressed that all the faithful should know at least some Latin Gregorian Chants such as, for example, the Gloria, the Credo, the Sanctus and the Agnus Dei (paragraph 1 of the document).

According to our Synod prayer,

- Do not let us promote disorder
- Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path.

Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Marie Johnson of Belton House Care Home, also Sir Patrick Walker of Easton-on-the-Hill, near Stamford, who died recently. Please remember them in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

'A chance to meet and chat' All are very welcome for tea and cakes in the Meeting Room at 3.00 pm on Sunday 28th November. Hopefully it will give us all a chance to talk to people we don't know that well and to those we do. Do please bring along anyone who you feel may enjoy this social event.

Synod The next Parish Synod Meeting will be on Wednesday 24th November at 7.00 pm in the Meeting Room.

This meeting is to consider what a Synod is and how my Parish can contribute to the Synodal Process. Suggested questions for each Parish to consider:

1. What is my dream for the Church, for my Parish, so that it can become more outward-looking, more missionary?
2. To achieve this dream, what do we need to stop doing?
3. What are we doing that needs to be developed or done differently?
4. Who are the people who feel left out and excluded in the Church? How can we reach out, listen to and love them? Think of two ideas – one for now and one for the future, to help include them.
5. What does the Holy Spirit inspire us to do in our Church? What do you think the Holy Spirit is calling us to do next?

Synod Online Form For those unable to join our Parish Meetings, you can submit your responses to the Parish questions online by visiting www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/synod2023 and clicking on 'HAVE YOUR SAY'. The information submitted will feed into our own Parish reflections. This form can also be used by those on the margins of the Church or who are not a Catholic. We are being invited to ask those furthest away from our community to be involved, so I encourage you to share this with friends and family. Scan the QR code to go directly to the form.

The Sacrament of Confirmation 2022 Bishop Patrick will be coming to St Joseph's in May 2022 to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you are 13 years or older and would like to receive the Sacrament, please give your name and age to Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk and write a letter to Fr Stephen explaining why you would like to – Fr Stephen Dye, St Joseph's RC Church, Station Road, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 6QU.

Mary's Meals If you have kindly sponsored the 100 mile walk by one of our parishioners, can you please hand in your donation this week. It will then be doubled by the charity, supporting even more children with the gift of life. A huge thank you to you all! The towel appeal has been amazing! So many towels have been donated for the backpacks, it's just wonderful. Thanks to you all for sorting them. Some little children are going to be delighted!

Rutland Fair Trade Christmas Market will be held in Oakham Castle on Saturday 27th November from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm. There will be stalls selling crafts, fashion, accessories, toys, food and many more. There will also be a table of our Peruvian handicrafts included at the Market.

Church Cleaning Rota We are looking for volunteers to join the cleaning rota from the beginning of 2022. When it is your turn on the rota, you will be required to clean the Church once in a fortnight. If you are interested in joining the rota, please email Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

Church Flowers We are looking for more volunteers to do the Church flowers. The rota system means that one person volunteers to arrange the church flowers for two consecutive weeks, approximately three times a year. If you are interested, please contact Mich Sturley on 07712 189383.

Singing Hymns As restrictions are being relaxed, we are taking the approach that we have taken throughout the opening of our Church during the pandemic. When we do start to sing hymns and certain parts of Holy Mass, **you MUST wear a mask or face covering.** We want to continue to keep everyone as safe as we can. Thank you for your continued support.

<p>Sign of Peace - for your information – taken from CATHOLIC BISHOP’S CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES. It is recommended that the physical Sign of Peace remains suspended as it is not an integral part of the Mass, and its omission will help to reduce physical contact between people during the celebration. Again, thank you for your continued support. Maria</p>
<p>Facebook Don’t forget St Joseph’s has a Facebook page on which future events can be advertised, members can be alerted to, for example, changes in service times, and ideas can be put forward. If you would like to join, please email Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk</p>
<p>Planned Giving Scheme - Envelope holders If you are concerned about not being able to donate weekly, you may wish to contribute via the parish bank account. If so, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk Many thanks for your ongoing support.</p>
<p>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@live.co.uk</p>
<p>Our Sick List If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk</p>
<p>Mass Intentions If you wish to have a Mass said for anyone living or deceased, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk</p>
<p>Please note: Any cheques made out to the Parish should read St. Joseph’s Oakham RCP. Thank you.</p>