



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

16th April	Vigil Mass	Saturday	6.30 pm	St Joseph	Frank Kendal
17th April	Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	In Thanksgiving to St Anthony
			10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo
18th April	Easter Feria	Monday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	David Butterworth's Intentions
19th April	Easter Feria	Tuesday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Terry McKie RIP
20th April	Easter Feria	Wednesday	9.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			10.00 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
21st April	St Anselm	Thursday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	Mary Llewellyn (Good Estate)
22nd April	Easter Feria	Friday	9.30 am	Holy Mass	In Thanksgiving to St Anthony
			7.00 pm	Latin Mass	Robert Smith RIP
23rd April	Vigil Mass	Saturday	6.30 pm	St Joseph	Zena and David Tookey and Family
24th April	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas	Gillian Ford RIP
			10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo

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 16th April	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 17th April
Welcomers	D Cassidy & E Worrall		T & C Slattery
Readers	R Streeter & J Widdows	C Knowland	I Kearney-Rose & M Mildner
Minister of Eucharist	R Tennant & N O'Rourke	F Wignall	M Port & B Ivory
Coffee			J Fay & H Davis
NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 23rd April	9.00 am (Exton)	Sunday 24th April
Welcomers	C Collins		J Nash & P Reilly
Readers	J Alston & R Tennant	Wignall Family	N O'Rourke & M Port
Minister of Eucharist	B Black & M Pryke	A Loring	D Morrell & R Miller
Coffee			V Wands
Church Cleaning	R Duncan & M Port		
Parish Website	www.stjosephs-oakham.org		
Primary School – English Martyrs	Willow Crescent, Oakham		www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk
Acting Head Teacher	Mrs A Chambers		Tel: 01572 722400
Children's Liturgy Group	For children up to First Holy Communion		10.30 am Mass in term time
Safeguarding Representative	Irene Kearney Rose		Tel: 01572 823883
Parish Support Group - HELP	Hilary Davis		Tel: 01572 724256
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, 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, Veronica Wands, Robert Johnstone, Monica Holt, Tricia Brophy, Michael Rimmer, John Rhodes, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Mike Ellis, Yvonne Trevor, Virginia Barwell, Cindy & Graham Johnston

Anniversaries † Peter Wallace, Christopher Herridge, Peter Bailey, Marjorie Tomlinson, John Edward Wootton, Edith O'Brien, Daniel Finn & Raymond Port

Last Week's Collection	
Loose Plate	£281.87
Envelopes	£154.85
S/O	£540.00
Totals	£976.72

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



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

- 15th May
- 12th June

The Readers' Rota – May to August 2016 - is now ready for collection in the Church porch. Please pick up your copy asap.

At the end of Mass in St Peter's Square on Sunday 3rd April, Pope Francis launched a humanitarian initiative for the people of Ukraine, in the form of a **special collection** to be taken in all Catholic churches in Europe on Sunday 24th April 2016:

"I think in particular, here in Europe, of the drama of those who suffer the consequences of the violence in Ukraine, of those who remain in lands devastated by hostilities that have claimed thousands of lives, and of all those, over a million, who have been displaced as a result of the grave ongoing situation there. The affected are primarily the elderly and children. In addition to accompanying them in my constant thought and prayers, I wish to promote humanitarian aid for them. A special collection for this cause will be held in all the Catholic churches throughout Europe on Sunday 24th April. I invite the faithful to participate in this initiative by contributing generously. This gesture of charity, as well as alleviating material suffering, will also express to Ukraine my personal closeness and that of the Church as a whole. I strongly hope that this will promote peace and respect for rights, without further delays, in this sorely-trying land."

Bishop Patrick would like a second collection to be taken at all Masses celebrated in the Diocese of Nottingham on the evening of Saturday 23rd April and on Sunday 24th April, the Fifth Sunday of Easter.

Sunday 17th April is a World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Sacred Priesthood, Diaconal and Religious Orders. Please pray for an increase in Vocations. There will be a second collection this weekend for the Clergy Formation Fund.

Parish Day of Renewal will take place on Thursday 28th April at the Franciscan Convent, Melton Mowbray. Theme of the day is "You are my beloved". Please sign the list in the Church porch if you are interested in coming - booking forms will be available. Any queries please phone Barbara on 724918 or Maureen on 756477.

On the 5th Sunday of Easter, 23rd/24th April, the Diocese will celebrate Safeguarding Sunday. This is an opportunity for us to promote the ministry of safeguarding and to highlight our commitment in ensuring all our parish communities are safe places for the vulnerable.

Mother's Prayers will be held on Tuesday 26th April at 2.00 pm - 5 Old Brewery Court, Somerby. For further information, please contact Lorraine on 01664 452117.

Rutland Ladies Social Group This friendly group meet at St. Joseph's on the last Saturday of the month, from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm. It is aimed at ladies who live on their own and who might like to meet others in the same situation. If you would like more information, please contact Joan Burns on 01572 771444, or just turn up for 2.00 pm on Saturday 30th April. The speaker this month is Maria Fryer – "Living on a Barge".

Church Mouse The next booklet is due early in May. If you have any items you would like included in the May booklet, could you please send them via email to eileenworrall@hotmail.com by 25th April.

Children's Liturgy – Message for parents Children's liturgy takes place at the 10.30 am Mass every Sunday during term-time. It is intended for children between the ages of 3 and 8. Older children sometimes attend and are welcome. The children leave Mass with the catechist and an assisting adult for about 20 minutes. During this time, we say prayers together and study the Gospel reading. Each week we discuss the message of Jesus and learn how we may follow Him better. If time allows, relevant activities such as illustrating the message of Jesus and enacting the Gospel story may be included. Some children then feel confident enough to relay the main topics of discussion to Fr Stephen and the parishioners. We ALWAYS need more parents to join our group, especially in the capacity of catechist. If you could help out, we would be very grateful. Please see Hanna Coomber after Mass to find out more. Thank you.

Lenten Fast Day Collection raised £427.50 for Cafod. The great news is that this will be doubled by the government. Thank you for your generosity.

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.

English Martyrs School News The Bishop will be coming to school on Friday 22nd April to celebrate Mass and to open our newly built classroom. The children have been practising for Mass and are singing beautifully – we hope to have some photos for the Church Mouse! If any parishioner would like to attend, please contact the school on 01572 722400. We are collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. If anyone has any, please leave them in the box in the Church porch. We are having a textile fundraising collection. There are bags available from school or simply use bin bags. Any old textiles, clothing, curtains, towels, bedding would be appreciated – bags need to be at school by the afternoon of 4th May.

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