



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON

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Easter Day of the Resurrection of Our Lord

19 th April	Holy Saturday The Easter Vigil	Saturday	8.30 pm	Holy Mass	Sr Anthony RIP
20 th April	Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord	Sunday	9.00 am	St Thomas Exton	Benefactors of the Johnson Fund
			10.30 am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
21 st April	Monday within the Octave of Easter	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Thomas Hickey intentions
22 nd April	Tuesday within the Octave of Easter	Tuesday			
23 rd April	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday	9.00 – 10.00 am	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	Wednesday within the Octave of Easter		10.00 am	Holy Mass	Raymond Port RIP
24 th April	Thursday within the Octave of Easter	Thursday			
25 th April	Friday within the Octave of Easter	Friday	7.00 pm	Latin Mass St Thomas	St Thomas Mass at St Thomas, Exton, LE158AN Graham Munton RIP
26 th April	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	In Thanksgiving (AH)
27 th April	Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo

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

All Rotas are displayed in the Church Porch

Welcomers	Please see your Rotas	Please see your Rotas
Readers	Please see your Rotas	Please see your Rotas
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Please see your Rotas	Please see your Rotas
Coffee		Please see your Rotas
Flowers	Please see your Rotas	
Church Cleaning	Please see your Rotas	

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

Parish Websites	www.stjosephs-oakham.org	www.catholicstamford.com
English Martyrs Primary School Head Teacher	Willow Crescent, Oakham Gosia Brown	www.englishmartyrs.rutland.sch.uk Tel: 01572 722400
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House Faith Sharing Group	Barbara Black	Tel: 01572 724918
Chair - Parish Pastoral Council	Andreas Menzies	ppcchair@stjosephs-oakham.org Tel: 01572 722308
Parish Newsletter	Eileen Worrall	eileenworrall@hotmail.com

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, 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 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 † Marjorie Tomlinson, John Edward Wooton, Edith O'Brien, Daniel Finn, Raymond Port, Michael Ellis, Sheila Adams, Jean Tylee, Rita Sheahan, Annie Holan, Declan O'Brien, John Murrell, Violet Brophy

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. 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 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.

Easter Offering The only income Canon Peter receives from the Parish is simply from the Easter and Christmas offerings: he is not paid a monthly salary. With this in mind, if you do not use the weekly envelopes and would like to give an offering, please use the white Easter Offering envelopes. They will be available in the porch and on the benches as usual. If you would like to gift aid it and you meet the requirements, please indicate that on the envelope. Alternatively, if you would like to use the Card Reader in the porch, please select Easter Offering. Canon Peter thanks you very much for your generosity.

Last week's collection

Collections £ 188.05
Planned Giving
and Donations £ 668.25
Total £ 855.30

Credo Group Resumes on Thursday 24th April at 6pm – All Welcome

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

Mobile phones Could you please ensure that your **mobile phone is on silent during Holy Mass**. Thank you.

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

PLEASE NOTE: We have had a number of complaints concerning the amount of noise after Holy Mass – Shhhhhh.... Please be aware when leaving the Church, you do it quietly as others are still praying. 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 anyone. Many thanks for your cooperation.

HOL Y SATURDAY is a day of stillness as we recall Christ in the tomb. At our Easter Vigil ceremonies, beginning at 8.30 pm on Saturday evening, we recall and relive through the beautiful liturgy of the church the story of creation as we light the Easter Fire, the light 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.

Divine Mercy Sunday (also known as the Feast of the Divine Mercy) is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, which concludes the Octave of Easter. The Novena which starts on Good Friday can be found here. [The Divine Mercy Novena of Chaplets](#) | [The Divine Mercy](#) There are also leaflets in the porch.

Called to Love: Masculine and Feminine, Friday 9th – Sunday 11th May. A weekend for young adults, whether single, dating or engaged, exploring the nature of masculinity and femininity. The retreat, at the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire, will consider the contemporary challenges to being a man and a woman and the Church's wisdom for this, drawing particular inspiration from Saint John Paul II. For more information and to book visit <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/called-to-love/>

The Nottingham Diocesan Missio Mass in thanksgiving for all Missio's volunteers and supporters will be celebrated at Saint Winefride's Church, Charnwood Road, Shepshed LE12 9QF on Saturday 10th May at 3.00pm. Bishop Patrick will celebrate the Mass, joined by Father Anthony Chantry (Missio National Director) and Father Patrick Bassey (Diocesan Director for Missio). All are warmly welcome, and to stay for the refreshments after the Mass also.

Parish Census If you have not completed the census form Canon Peter announced last week, please collect one from the porch. Please return to Maria in the office – Many thanks

Churches Together lunchtime meetings will be hosted by us, **St Josephs during April and May at 1pm to 1.30 pm every Thursday** and it would be really good if Parishioners could come and support our few Parishioners who are leading these sessions.

We currently have a role for a part-time Catholic chaplain. - Please see the link below.

<https://jobs.justice.gov.uk/careers/JobDetail/4574-Roman-Catholic-Part-Time-Chaplain-Roman-Catholic-Ordained-Priest-Ordained-Deacon-Religious-Brother-Sister-Lay-Person/4574>

The important vote for all MPs on the assisted suicide legislation, known as the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill, is likely to take place on **Friday 25th April**. The charity Right to Life UK has a simple online mechanism to allow people to contact their Member of Parliament and it only takes a few moments to submit a message to ask an MP to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. It can be accessed at <https://righttolife.org.uk/asvote> Right to Life is also distributing postcards to parishes for the lay faithful to send to their MPs on this subject. A range of further resources on opposing assisted suicide is available at www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide

The Health Team who support the Nottingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage is in need of some additional experienced team members for this year's pilgrimage. If you, or someone you know, is a currently Registered Nurses or trained and experienced Care Worker, who may be interested and can commit to being available for this year's Jubilee Pilgrimage between Monday 14th and Friday 18th July, as well as for a couple of training days on Sunday 15th and Saturday 28th June, please contact Deacon David Knight (david@sthughslincoln.org.uk) for more details.

The Society of Saint Gregory is hosting a Summer School between Wednesday 30th July and Saturday 2nd August with the theme of Jubilee and Hope reflected in the liturgies and music, providing an opportunity to reflect on how to take the message of hope back to our parish communities. Further details from summerschool@ssg.org.uk

Could you be a Briars Ambassador for 12 months? The Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service (NDCYS) has a wonderful group of volunteers who support The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre through practical support, prayer and fundraising. The Friends of The Briars is hosting an Ambassadors' Day for those interested in becoming a Briars Ambassador, on Saturday 7th June between 10.00am and 3.00pm at The Briars, DE4 5BW. Visit ndcys.com/friends-of-the-briars/ for more information.

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 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 Many thanks for your ongoing support.

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