



**THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND
ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM &
ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON**

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Second Sunday after Christmas

2 nd January	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Rita Dawson RIP
3 rd January	Second Sunday after Christmas	Sunday	11.00 am	Holy Mass	All Parishioners, Visitors, Relatives and Friends of our Church Community
4 th January	Christmas Feria	Monday		Holy Mass	Vincenzo Rosati's Intentions
5 th January	Christmas Feria	Tuesday		Holy Mass	Mike Richmond RIP
6 th January	Epiphany of the Lord	Wednesday	10.00 am	St Joseph	Service of Word and Holy Communion
	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament		10.30 am – 12 noon	St Joseph	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7 th January	St Raymond of Penyafort	Thursday		Holy Mass	Deacon Raymond's Intentions
8 th January	Friday after Epiphany	Friday		Holy Mass	James Burnett RIP
9 th January	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	Holy Mass	Mark Tookey RIP
10 th January	The Baptism of the Lord	Sunday	11.00 am	Holy Mass	All Parishioners, Visitors, Relatives and Friends of our Church Community

Please note:

If you wish to attend Holy Mass on Wednesday, Saturday or Sunday, please ring Maria on 01572 722308 to book a place or email rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

Please note that no bookings are taken for the weekend Masses after Thursday at 6.00 pm.

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	Hilary Davis	Tel: 01572 724256
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, Claire Smith, Sharon Larkworthy, Halina Woolford, Elizabeth Fay, Myra Smith, Janet and Barry Chalmers-Stevens, Fr David Bowler, Annie Welsh, Daniel Dopson, Floss Jepson, Joy Widdows, Krystyna Chritchlow, Sally Blythin, Dennis Trevor, Richard Goodger, Jim Whalley, Anne Stevenson, Fr John Trenchar, Caterina Harrison, Elisabeth Simpson, Florence Valentine, Alison Pepperdine and Bridget Francis.* 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 † *Elsie Tyler, Gillian Sillars, Pat Quinn, Annie Williams, Ronald Redman, Olga Szetman, Sheila Shackleton, Veronica Morris, Desmond Whitby, Thelma Long, Francis Kelly, Thomas O'Brien, Peter Dean, David Cashman, Mark Tookey, Joseph Murphy, Alfred Lambert, Freda Gardiner, Dorothy Smith and Sabina Kalinowska*

Last Week's Collection

Envelopes	£359.50
Loose Plate	£154.43
Standing Orders	£650.00
Total	£1,163.93

Collection - 25th December - £549.10

Second Collection There will be a second collection at Masses next weekend (9th/10th January) for World Communications Day.

Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You Sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Fr Stephen sincerely thanks all parishioners and friends who sent cards and generous gifts over the Christmas period. Your prayers and many kindnesses are greatly appreciated.

A new parishioner – actually not-so-new because Guy Farmer has been coming to Mass with his family for many years. Guy was received into the Holy Catholic Church on Sunday 20th December. We give thanks for his continuing presence among us! Please say a prayer too as he takes this important step along his spiritual journey.

Homeless Visitors Thank you for the fabulous response – please no more tins for the moment.. We now have quite a collection. Many thanks.

Hope into action tenants

A big thank you for your generosity in providing items for the hamper or donating money to help them buy their Christmas gifts and gain access to the internet in the house. This plus the cards were very much appreciated and your love and support felt by them both. Love Hilary

COVID-19 and Vaccination

The Bishop has received a number of letters from concerned Catholics with regards to the new vaccine which has been developed to combat the coronavirus. In September 2020, the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales issued a statement COVID-19 and Vaccination (24th September 2020). In the light of the recent breakthrough in vaccine development, they have now issued a follow-up statement (3rd December 2020) which can be found on the CBCEW website along with the original September statement. Please take the time to read this statement on <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/update-on-covid-19-and-vaccination/>

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.

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

Our Sick List If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

Mass Intentions If you wish to have a Mass said for anyone living or deceased, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@live.co.uk

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