



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RUTLAND

ST JOSEPH, OAKHAM & ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, EXTON



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Solemnity of the Epiphany of Our Lord

4 th January	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Pro Populo
5 th January	Solemnity of the Epiphany of Our Lord	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	Yvette Nicolle-Anderiesz RIP
6 th January	Monday after the Epiphany	Monday	10.00 am	Holy Mass	Joan and Les Hills RIP
7 th January	Tuesday after the Epiphany	Tuesday			
8 th January	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Wednesday		St Joseph	No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament today
	Wednesday after the Epiphany		9.00 am	Holy Mass	Barbara Black (Special Intention)
9 th January	Thursday after the Epiphany	Thursday			
10 th January	Friday after the Epiphany	Friday	7.00 pm	Latin Mass St Thomas	Mass at St Thomas, Exton, LE158AN Faithful Departed
11 th January	Vigil Mass	Saturday	4.30 pm	St Joseph	Robert and Elizabeth Lucas RIP
12 th January	The Baptism of Our Lord	Sunday	10.30 am	St Joseph	Pro Populo

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

THIS WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 4 th January	Sunday 5 th January
Welcomers	Siobhan and Nick Taylor	Fran Rhowbotham and Maureen Mildner
Readers	Irene Kearney-Rose and Joan Burns	Nuala O'Rourke and Ed Anderson
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Andrew Wilkinson and Joan Burns (EA)	Lesley Knowland and Ed Anderson
Coffee		Phil Boak
Flowers	Mair O'Kane	
Church Cleaning	Eileen Worrall and Maria Mariott	

NEXT WEEK'S ROTAS	Saturday 11 th January	Sunday 12 th January
Welcomers	Eileen Worrall and Ron Streeter	Chris Jones and Nola McGarrity
Readers	Meryl Vincent and Tom Reilly	Marjorie Port and John Alston
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Michael Terrett and Eileen Worrall (BB)	Kitty Wigmore and Fran Rhowbotham
Coffee		James Fay
Flowers	Mair O'Kane	
Church Cleaning	Eileen Worrall and Maria Mariott	

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
Safeguarding Representative	Maria.MarriottPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk	Tel: 07513 725552
Parish Support Group - HELP	Rosemarie Duncan	Tel: 01572 723873
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, Margaret Stacey and Judy Nash*

If you would like someone to be added to the Sick Parishioners list **with their written permission**, please contact Maria at rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk OR please ask them to complete the form below and return to Maria in the Parish Office. Many thanks.

Permission form for Sick list

I give my permission for my name to be published in St Joseph's Newsletter and on their (St Joseph's) website in the Newsletter tab.

Print Name.....

Signature..... Date.....

Anniversaries † *Olga Szetman, Sheila Shackleton, Veronica Morris, Desmond Whitby, Thelma Long, Francis Kelly, Yvette Nicolle-Anderiesz, Thomas O'Brien, Peter Dean, David Cashman, Mark Tookey, Joseph Murphy, Alfred Lambert, Freda Gardiner, Dorothy Smith, Sabina Kalinowska, Rose Fitzgerald, Stephen Maiden and Susan Lesiakowski*

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 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	£112.61
Planned Giving and Donations	£685.00
Total	£797.61

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

Credo Group The Credo Group will resume on Thursday 9th January 2025.

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

Children's Liturgy There is a volunteer vacancy to run the Sunday Children's Liturgy group. Please contact Maria for more details at rcchurchoakham@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Canon Peter and Canon Stephen sincerely thanks those kind and generous parishioners who sent Christmas cards and gifts over the festive season. Your goodwill is most sincerely appreciated. God bless

Second Collection There will be a second collection next weeked, 11th/12th January, for Sick and Retired Priests.

St Joseph's Parish Council There will be a Parish Council meeting on Thursday 23rd January 2025. If you wish to ask a question or suggest an item for the agenda, please submit by Thursday 16th January to Andreas Menzies or via email at ppchair@stjosephsoakham.org

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - Churches Together Prayer Breakfast Saturday 18th January, 8:30 - 11:00am at Oakham Baptist Church. Tickets £4. Find out about all the ministries happening through Churches Together. Please sign up after Holy Mass this weekend or see Marjorie Port or Deacon Raymond.

Aid for Chad and Peru (reg. no. 328051) Please can you help us to buy some urgently needed medicines for the poor of Mberi Mission in S. Chad that we support by donating clothes you don't need any more? They can be left on the Chad chair in Canon Stephen's porch. "With a thank you as big as an elephant from Chad". Elizabeth

Every Day Evangelising – Explore sharing your faith. Join Bishop Patrick on Saturday 25th January (10.00 am-3.30 pm) at Holy Trinity Parish, Newark, for a day focused on how we can share our faith in simple ways every day! The day will be led by Deacon David Palmer (Birmingham Archdiocese) who will help us develop ways to live our baptismal calling to be Jesus' ambassadors in the world. There is no cost to the day but please bring a packed lunch. Book your place here: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/every-day-evangelising

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.

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.

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.

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

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