

**Bishop Richard reflects on this weekend’s Mass readings :**

Dear brothers and sisters,

During the last month, two significant pilgrimages have taken place; the first was our diocesan pilgrimage, the second was World Youth Day in Lisbon.

I take this opportunity to thank all those who were involved in arranging these pilgrimages, as well as those who then took part in them. The experience of Lourdes is a powerful one, and the response from across the Diocese to the invitation of our Blessed Lady to 'build a chapel' was wholehearted and moving. This sense of building the Church, the Kingdom of God, was very evident in Lourdes and this spirit continued, in a different way, on World Youth Day.

In Lisbon, some one and half million young people responded to the call of the Holy Father. Times of catechesis, the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the part of many pilgrims, the praying of the Stations of the Cross and, then, the Vigil and Mass that were the highpoint of World Youth Day, was a manifestation of the Universal Church and a powerful source of encouragement for the building of the Kingdom of God.

In this Sunday’s Gospel, we find Simon professing his faith in Jesus. Jesus' words - 'you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church' - surely remind us that we are called to build on that same foundation. The Church that we build must enable all people to experience the richness of the depths of God, about which St Paul writes in the letter to the Romans.

Just as Lourdes and Lisbon called forth the spirit of service, of care for others, and for the world in which we live - so these pilgrimages were powerful moments of the praise of God, to Whom be glory for ever. Such prayer and praise is the summit of human experience, the highest purpose in our lives.

Let us, then, learn from Peter, from Our Lady’s message in Lourdes and from the great numbers of young people gathered in Lisbon – that our pilgrimage of life be one of service and of the praise of God.

With every blessing, + Richard Moth

**DGH hospital Mass** is celebrated on the last Tuesday of each month at 12noon in the hospital chapel. The next Mass is on August 29th. All welcome as we pray for the patients, staff and families.

**Services this week.** Please note there is NO Mass on Tuesday at CTK; Fr Neil has a funeral at OLR.

**Men’s Rosary Walk.** On Friday 15th September, there will be a Men’s Rosary Walk. We will meet at the Red Lion, Stone Cross, at 7.00pm. The walk will take 30-40mins and then will finish at the Red Lion with a drink.

**First Holy Communion Preparation for 2024.** Forms will be available next week for those children who would like to receive their First Holy Communion next year.

**A Day of Reflection for Grandparents** – Tuesday 26 September 2023 11am-3.30pm at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley  
Life experience comes at the price of the hard knocks and joyful moments and Fr Stephen Ortiger will help us to explore those and how we can see the hand of God in our lives. Our Youth Adviser, Lizzie Wakeling, will offer some helpful hints and tips into communicating with young people and tuning into what they may find helpful as they navigate their way in life. Book at <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/2spx9bns>

**Hymns for 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time :**  
Open : CTK 518 ‘The Church’s one foundation’  
St Jo’s 688 ‘The Church’s one foundation’  
Off CTK 510 ‘Take my life’  
St Jo’s 302 ‘In bread we bring you, Lord’  
Close: CTK 25 ‘All my hope on God is founded’  
St Jo’s 21 ‘All my hope on God is founded’

**Sponsored Walk :** Brother Neil and his family know first hand the impact of rheumatoid arthritis. To this end, his wife Gwen and daughter Caitlyn are raising money for the NRAS, challenging themselves to walk 57km uphill and down dale across the South Downs to Hove next Saturday, Sept 2nd in (hopefully!) 14 hours. Find them on Just Giving ‘Caitlyn and Gwen’s South Coast Challenge’; there is also a collection box at the back of the church. Many thanks for your support.

**Prayers before Mass:** the Holy Rosary will be recited every Sunday at 10.45am. All welcome.

**Parish Social Committee :** Heather, the Parish Social Committee coordinator, is stepping down at the end of August. We need new volunteers to join the Committee, with ideas, good organisational skills - and if you could cook, that would be a bonus! A meeting of the Committee will be held in September - exactly date to be confirmed - so if you’re interested, please attend.

**Theology of the Body :** Fr Neil has a funeral on Tuesday 29th Aug at OLR so there will be NO session on the Theology of the Body at CTK.

**Arundel Festival Organ Recital,** Arundel Cathedral, 28 August at 1pm. The Organ Recital will be given by Richard Tanner of Rugby School. Featuring music by Bach, Liszt, Reger, Elgar and others, the programme will appeal to a broad audience - come and experience the amazing Hill organ in the generous acoustic of Arundel Cathedral. Free entry with retiring collection, all are very welcome.

**‘World In Need’** is an international gospel-humanitarian mission based in Crowborough, East Sussex. They have installed a clothing bin in the car park at CTK. If you have any unwanted clothing items, please place them in the bin; they do not have to be in a plastic bag. The bin is emptied regularly.

**This year's annual ‘March For Life’** in support of unborn children and their mothers will be held in London next Saturday, 2nd September between 10.30 am and 4.30 pm. Mass takes place at Westminster Cathedral at 10.30 am and events will be held at The Emmanuel Centre 10.30 am -1.00pm followed by the procession of witness for the unborn and rally at Parliament Square. Further information contact Isabel 07773501721 or Ben 07885505116.

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**For enquiries for baptism, first communion, confirmation, and marriages please speak to either Fr Neil or Deacon Eugene; also ring the office. - 01323 760048**

**Parish Hall Bookings**  
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**Website :**  
**<http://christthekingeastbourne.org>**

**Facebook page: Christ The King with St Joachim, Eastbourne**

**Banking Matters**

We have shortened the name of the bank account for those who wish to set up standing orders for Christ the King. **CTK main account** details : Sort Code : **40-05-20** A/C No : **91127012; CTK Building Account No : 61256130.** A/C Name : **RCD A&B Christ the King Eastbourne. St Joachim’s A/C. Sort Code : 40-05-20; A/C No : 51077058.**

**Votive Candles.** Would you like to sponsor a weekly candle by the Blessed Sacrament tabernacle, the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham or the statue of St Joseph by the church porch? There are forms available at the back of the church.

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	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Intentions
Sat. Aug 26th	CTK. : 4-4.45pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament CTK. : 5.00pm	Bernard Pavey RIP
Sun Aug 27th 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Jo's : 9.30am. Mass  CTK. : 11.30am Mass  CTK. : 4.00pm Mass (DW)	Priests  All Benedictines  People of the Parish
Mon 28th Aug St Augustine	No Public Mass	(Priests)
Tues Aug 29th Passion of St John the Baptist	CTK : No public Mass today.	(Sr Teresa Cohen RIP)
Wed Aug 30th Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward	ST Jo's : 10.00am Mass	May McCormack RIP
Thurs Aug 31st St Aidan	CTK : 5.30pm-7.00pm : Exposition and Holy Hour for Priests 7.00pm. Mass (DW)	Conversion of Russia, China & Iran
Fri Sep 1st	CTK. : 12noon Mass followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12.30pm - 5.00pm.	Protection of the unborn child
Sat Sep 2nd	4-4.45pm. CTK : Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  CTK : 5.00pm Mass	Private Intention
Sun. Sep 3rd  22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Jo's : 9.30am Mass  CTK : 11.30am Mass  CTK : 4pm Mass (DW)	People of the parish  Steven Graves RIP  Priests & Deacons

**We pray for:** Emma Raper, Eithne Lloyd, Peter Champion, Chris Gimmons, Stuart McCarthy, Helena Sagnelia, Frankie Farrell, Daisy Kelly, Sue & Mick O’Driscoll, Rene Cook, Jan Blake, Sandra McMeekin, David Dwyer, Diana Smith, Sr Mary Keiley, Jane Hollands, Kirina Blaty, Moira Morrison, Philip Duffy, Pamela Chatfield, Eddie Burke, Theresa Kitchener, Betty Donovan, Marie Williams, Terry Swales, Pauline Sollis, Alexandra Waters, Daniel Markham, Maria P Veras, Alison J Thomas, Mary Ayling, Alan Calivas, Maria Rosa Ferro, Deacon Dave Turner

**For the recently deceased:** Colleen Stock, Steven Chatfield, Eileen Marshall, Denis Clavio, Fr Trevor Welland, John Barron, Alan Wroclowski