

Bishop Richard reflects on current issues:

In recent days, the news from Gaza and Israel has brought great sadness. This renewed flashpoint of conflict, along with the continuing battles in Ukraine and unrest in other parts of the world, is a reminder to us of the fragility of peace across the globe. The impact on families, especially the young, is devastating beyond words and at such times as these we might wonder what the future will bring.

I know that we are all keeping these situations in our minds and in our prayers, and I ask you today to redouble prayers for peace. In this month of October – the month of the Holy Rosary – it would be wonderful if we could all offer the rosary each day for the intentions of peace in the world. I know from personal experience the appreciation of the Christian community in the Holy Land who find comfort in knowing they are remembered in prayer. Our prayers have their effect in ways we do not see and in places to which we have never travelled.

The humanitarian crisis that is so often the result of conflict has lasting effects, so our prayers must not falter. Should the time come when practical aid is needed, let us respond with generous hearts. The welcome offered to the refugee – wherever this may be required – is important beyond words, especially when loved ones have been lost. Let us pray that this welcome will always be offered, and that we shall extend this welcome when our brothers and sisters in need come to our own shores.

‘O God of peace, who are peace itself
and whom a spirit of discord cannot grasp,
nor a violent mind receive,
grant that those who are one in heart
may persevere in what is good
and that those in conflict
may forget evil and so be healed.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen’

Best wishes, Bishop Richard.

Baby Loss Awareness Week is kept Oct 9th-15th. Eastbourne Wave of Light service, remembering babies and children lost too soon : Sun 15th Oct at 6.45pm, Our Lady of Ransom Church, with support from Churches Together. 6.45pm to light a candle at 7pm and join the SANDS “National Wave of Light”. In CTK, we have a Remembrance Tree in the Lady Chapel from Oct 9th. There are labels provided to add your child’s name, as we remember them especially at this time.

Bacon Butties. Thanks to all who supported the Bacon Butties after Mass last Sunday; £40 was raised for parish funds and it was good to get together. Next month on Nov 19th, there will be another chance to get together as a parish community, with a shared community lunch after the 11.30 Mass; more details to follow.

All Saints Celebration on Wed 1st Nov, 6pm-8pm - please bring some party food. Tea, coffee and squash provided. Children to come dressed as their favourite saint. We will have a children’s liturgy, stories, face painting, games and fireworks! All welcome as we celebrate All Saint’s Day.

Extra collections in CTK & St. Jo’s. We have been asked over recent weeks to have various retiring collections for charitable causes connected to the Church. These are for CAFOD family fast day, Stella Maris (for seafarers), Prisoners’ Sunday, and Missio (for world missions). Please take one envelope home with you and return it this week with your charitable donation. Thank You.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Why not try to say a decade of the Rosary daily for your intentions, and those of your family and friends? Our Lady draws us closer to her Beloved Son and cares for us deeply as her children. The Rosary is an excellent way to show our devotion to Our Lady.

Hymns for 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time :
Open : CTK. (27) ‘All people that on earth’
St Jo’s (22) ‘All people that on earth’
Off : CTK (61). ‘Be thou my vision’
St Jo’s (74). ‘Be thou my vision’
Close: CTK (518). ‘The Church’s one foundation’
St Jo’s (688). ‘The Church’s one foundation’

First Holy Communion Preparation for 2024.
Forms are available for those children who would like to receive their First Holy Communion next year in both CTK and St Joachim’s. They can be collected from the back of the church. Forms need to be returned to Fr Neil as soon as possible.

St Joachim’s are having a Quiz and Harvest Souper this evening, Sat, 14th Oct. Start 6.30pm. Teams of 4, £5 a ticket but don’t worry if you don’t have a team - come along and we’ll create teams. It includes soup & roll, bring your own drinks. Also at St Jo’s, a date for your diary : 2nd December, carols & mulled wine 3pm.

Saints and Sinners Concert. Our Lady of Ransom Church – Sat 4TH Nov, 7.30pm with refreshments interval midway. An evening of secular and sacred music and storytelling, exploring and celebrating the journey of faith as saints and sinners on the road. John Holstrom (keyboard) and Dominic Dring (saxophone, flute and vocals), Elisha Dring (singer) and special guests. Donations on the night, with money raised going towards a local charity.

Newman Association : The annual Mass for the Association will be held at Christ The King on Thursday 19th October at 7 pm followed by the AGM at 8 pm. All parishioners and friends are welcome to attend.

OLR Pilgrimage: Fri 27th Oct (9.30am -5pm) to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation (West Grinstead) – 30 places on coach, £10 per person. Please contact the Parish Office by Friday 20th to reserve a place. Tel : 723222.

Synod on Synodality : Pope Francis appeals for prayers for the Synod in his October prayer video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JfxktabmyE> . To follow the progress of the Synod visit the Vatican News website at <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/events/synod2023.html>.

Worth Abbey : ‘CS Lewis – a prophet of our time’ Sat 28 Oct 10am-4pm. Cost: £30 includes tea/ coffee. Guest speaker: Robert Elliott, who has a lifelong interest in C S Lewis. Book at www.worth.co.uk or phone 01342 710318.

Discussions are being held about Mass times for both parishes (CTK and St Joachim’s) and the Ordinariate. You can read the rationale on our website, but no substantial changes will be made until after Easter and a discussion within the parishes. See www.christthekingeastbourne.com

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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 for a personal intention or a special individual, by the Blessed Sacrament tabernacle, the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham or the statue of St Joseph by the church porch? This week the candles are for Margaret Swales RIP and victims of terrorist acts. There are forms available at the back of the church if you would like to sponsor a candle.

Make a donation on-line to the parish today! Scan the QR code below, select our parish and add Gift Aid if you pay tax. Also see the poster at the back of the church.



	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Intentions
Sat. Oct 14th	CTK. : 4-4.45pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament CTK. : 5.00pm	Thanksgiving for all priests
Sun Oct 15th 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Jo's : 9.30am. Mass CTK. : 11.30am Mass CTK. : 4.00pm Mass (DW)	Maureen Farrant RIP Liorna (Mina) Young RIP Philip Drake RIP
Mon Oct 16th St Margaret Mary Alocoque	No Public Mass	(Martina McCormack)
Tues Oct 17th	CTK : 10.00am Mass.	Thanksgiving
St Ignatius of Antioch, martyr		
Wed Oct 18th St Luke, evangelist	ST Jo's : 10.00am Mass	Philip & Rosamma RIP
Thurs Oct 19th	CTK : 5.30pm-7.00pm : Exposition and Holy Hour for Priests 7.00pm. Mass (DW)	The Newman Association
Fri Oct 20th	CTK. : 12noon Mass followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12.30pm - 5.00pm.	Annakulty Abraham RIP
Sat Oct 21st	4-4.45pm. CTK : Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament CTK : 5.00pm Mass	Margaret Broughthon RIP
Sun. Oct 22nd 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Jo's : 9.30am Mass CTK : 11.30am Mass CTK : 4pm Mass (DW)	Conversion of Leaders Eugenia & Ryszard Stanczak RIP For all priests

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 and John Hollands, Kirina Blaty, Moira Morrison, Philip Duffy, Pamela Chatfield, Eddie Burke, Theresa Kitchener, Betty Donovan, Marie Williams, Terry Swales, Pauline Sollis, Alexandra Waters, Lucas Mack, Zachary Hurst (age 3 years) Daniel Markham, Maria P Veras, Alison J Thomas, Mary Ayling, Alan Calivas, Fr Laurence Quin-Morris, Maria Rosa Ferro, Deacon Dave Turner, June Neville

For the recently deceased: Daniel Henry Lynch, Philip Drake, Doreen Patricia Byrne, Lilian Mary Kiely