

Bishop Richard writes :

Last week has seen the celebration of a number of saints who have, I suggest, particular significance for us. On Wednesday we celebrated St Cuthman of Steyning – a saint of our own Diocese. His life was marked by care for his mother – whom he moved around in a wheelbarrow – and his building of a church in Steyning. The greatest witness of this saint of pre-Norman times was his great simplicity of life, grounded in prayer – examples that we do well to follow in these times when we are called to witness to the Gospel as never before.

On the same day, the Church celebrated St Josephine Bakhita, trafficked into slavery when only a young girl. Saved from her life of slavery by a family in Italy she later responded to the call to religious life. In a world where so many are trafficked, she reminds us of the dignity of the human person and calls us to respond to the needs of our sisters and brothers so cruelly treated.

Let us also remember those who come to our shores as refugees, fleeing war and injustice in their home countries. Our diocesan Refugee Project continues and I invite you to continue our welcome to those who seek a new home here, through prayer, through the commitment of time and accompaniment and through donations to our [Refugee Fund](#).

On Saturday, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes – the Day of Prayer for the Sick. Mary calls us to Lourdes, a pilgrimage that is such an important part of our diocesan life. I know that many will be seeking to join this year’s pilgrimage and I look forward to being there with you. Mary our Mother calls us to see her Son in those around us and Pope Francis, in his message for this day writes: “Brothers and sisters, we are rarely prepared for illness. Oftentimes, we fail even to admit that we are getting older. Our vulnerability frightens us and the pervasive culture of efficiency pushes us to sweep it under the carpet, leaving no room for our human frailty.” Mindful of the frailty and weakness that is present in every one of us, let us do all we can to strive against the isolation that is so prevalent in our present society, ensuring that all recognise their value and dignity and know the love of Him who carries our weaknesses for us.

With every blessing, + Richard

**Retrouvaille** is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. For more information or to register for the next weekend on Feb 24-26 call/text : 07887 296983 or email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com).

**Marriage Week 7-14th February.** Marriage Week celebrates the vibrancy of marriage as the basis for family life and is an annual event encouraging couples to invest in their marriage and relationships. Search “Marriage Week” for some helpful links and suggestions or see the Diocesan website. Contact Katherine Bergin at [katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk) for further information.

**Ash Wednesday** Is on February 22nd. Mass times are : 10.00am (St Jo’s); 12noon (CTK); 7.00pm CTK (DW). Ashes will be distributed at all Masses.

**Lenten study group.** Fr Neil will be leading a study group during Lent on the ‘Theology of The Body,’ a subject close to the heart Pope St John Paul II. It will be held on Tuesday mornings, beginning on Feb 28th, at 11.00am after the 10.00am Mass in the parish room at CTK. Also, another group for men will meet at 8.00pm on Thursday evenings, hosted by the parish ‘Men of St Joseph’. All welcome.

**CAFOD and CTS** are both running a Lenten Sign-up course by email with reflections and resources. Please check their websites for more information.

Hymn Numbers for 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time :

**Open : (CTK).** 355 ‘My God accept my heart’  
**(St Jo’s)** 495 ‘My God accept my heart’  
**Off. : (CTK.)** 356 ‘My God and is thy table spread’  
**(St Jo’s)** : 496 ‘My God and is thy table spread’  
**Close : (CTK) :** 190 ‘Guide me O thou great ..’  
**(St Jo’s) : 605** ‘Praise the Lord ye heavens adore’

**Pancakes on sale** on the 19th February, after 11.30 Mass at CTK. They cost £1 each. Money will go towards church funds. On Sunday 16th April there will be a Bacon Butty sale after the 11.30 Mass.

**Pilgrimage to Walsingham :** The Ordinariate are holding a pilgrimage to Walsingham on Sat Aug 26th. Is anyone interested? Please let Fr Neil know asap.

**Phoenix Choir, Eastbourne** presents a Baroque celebration, with music by Pergolesi, Bach, Telemann & Vivaldi. Feb 25th at 7.30pm at All Saints Church, Grange Rd. Tickets : £20. See notice at the back of the Church.

**World Day of Prayer 2023 Service** at OLR on Fri 3rd March, at 2.00pm in the church followed by refreshments in the hall. The prayer service this year is written by the women of Taiwan. See poster at the back of the church.

**Memory Lane,** a charity that meets regularly in our hall and supports people with dementia and their carers are looking to appoint a part time charity Coordinator. See notice at the back of the Church. Closing date for applicants, Feb 20th.

**“Reflections of a hospital chaplain”.** John Kimberley will be sharing with us his experiences as a hospital chaplain on Mon 20th Feb, organised by the Eastbourne and Bexhill Newman Association, at 7.30 pm in the parish room at CTK. All parishioners and friends welcome.

**Family Fast Day.** Envelopes are available at the back of the church for CAFOD family fast day which is on March 3rd.

**Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Eucharist** led by Bishop Richard, 11th March 11am - 4pm at Christ the Prince of Peace Weybridge. The day will include theological and practical talks, Eucharistic Adoration, and Mass. To register your free place go to <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/pq5yv05c?ct=>

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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 or the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham in CTK? There are forms available at the back of the church. This week the candles are for Fr David Rhys and Fr Bruno.

**Prayers before Mass at CTK.** The Holy Rosary will be recited every Sunday at 10.45am. On the first Sunday of the month, the prayer will be at 10.30 together with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome.

**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.



	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Intentions
Sat. Feb 11th	CTK : 4.00-5.00pm  CTK. : 5.00pm Vigil Mass	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  Fr Kevin
Sun Feb 12th	St Jo’s 9.30am. Mass	Dermot Neilan RIP
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	CTK. 11.30am Mass  CTK. 4.00pm Mass (DW)	Agnes & Lilly Halvey RIP  Valeria & family
Mon Feb 13th	No Public Mass	(Thanksgiving)
Tues Feb 14th Ss Cyril & Methodius	CTK : 10.00am	Ana Kirk
Wed Feb 15th	St Jo’s : 10.00am : Mass	Breege Kennedy RI{P
Thurs Feb 16th	CTK : 5.30-7.00pm. Exposition and Holy Hour for priests 7.00pm Mass (DW)	Nisha
Fri Feb 17th	CTK : 12 noon Mass followed by exposition and adoration till 5.00pm	Romani de la Motte
Sat Feb. 18th	CTK. : 4.00-5.00pm  CTK 5.00pm Mass	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  Fr David Rhys RIP
Sun Feb 19th  Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Jo’s 9.30am Mass  CTK 11.30am Mass  CTK 4pm mass (DW)	Lucy Goodison RIP  Mary McDonagh RIP  Brian Hichisson RIP

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

**For the recently deceased:** Victor Beale, Mary Cuddeford, Marian Molden, Pope Benedict XVI, Lois Forbes, Joseph Fok-Seang, Pdraig Quinn