Bishop Richard writes about the Confirmations of our young people taking place around now in the diocese.

In this 150th Anniversary year of our Cathedral, it is a joy to be welcoming so many younger people from across the Diocese for the celebration of Confirmation. The coming of the Holy Spirit is promised by the Lord in this Sunday's Gospel – the Holy Spirit, whose gifts are bestowed in Confirmation.

The reception of these gifts with an open heart, and a listening ear, enables us to take up the particular call that the Lord has for each and every one of us. In this openness and the response it calls forth from us, we become the people we are truly called to be, and the fruits of the Holy Spirit are borne in us, amongst which are the joy and peace that show themselves in charity that is marked by kindness, gentleness, and generosity.

While the road that the Lord calls us to take may not always be an easy one, he never leaves us. Openness to the Spirit enables us to keep following the Lord, even when the way seems unclear and the path difficult. The challenge to live the Gospel is so present to us in these times, yet in the strength of the Holy Spirit, we find life.

Join with me in praying for all those who will be confirmed this year – that they may come to know the joy that is the mark of the Christian, in lives spent in the service of Christ in prayer, and Whom we see in our brothers and sisters.

With every blessing, + Richard Moth

Please note the change to Mass times on Tues 16th May and Fri 19th May due to funeral Masses.

Ascension Thursday: this Thursday, May 18th, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are: CTK - 12noon and 7.00pm (DW).

Coronation Teas at CTK and St Jo's were a great success and thanks to all who came to support both events. It was a chance for us to get together as a parish to mark this significant occasion. Over 100 people attended both parties, with £180 raised at CTK, and £200 at St Jo's. Thanks again to all who attended and a special thanks to those who helped to organise both Coronation Teas.

Requiems. Please pray for the respose of the souls of the following whose funeral dates are listed here: Daniel Ramscar's funeral is on Tues May 16th at 11.00am at CTK; Roy Worsley's funeral is on Friday May 19th at 1.30pm at CTK, reception into the church at 4.00pm on Thursday; Ann Snelling's funeral is on Thurs May 25th at 1.00pm at St Jo's; Joseph Ajisafe Mayeloye on May 30th at 12noon at CTK; Patrick Chatfield on May 31st at 12.30pm in All Saints Church, Sidley; Margareta (Greti) Roche's funeral is on Thurs 1st June at 11.00am at CTK. 'Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; may they rest in peace. Amen.'

ASCENT for young people (15-18) – Tuesday 23 May at 7.30pm This brilliant programme for teens includes regular retreats at Worth Abbey and a great opportunity for them to make wonderful Catholic friends to provide mutual support as they strive to live out their faith. This is an online session hosted by the Diocesan Youth Adviser for anyone who would like to find out more. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk

Watch Bishop Richard's video podcast for the 6th Sunday of Easter at https://vimeo.com/825376317?ct=t.

Hymns for 6th Sunday of Easter:

Open:(CTK) 338. 'Love is his word'
(St Jo's) 399 'Love is his word'
Off.(CTK) 15 'Alleluia! sing to Jesus'
(St Jo's) 37 'Alleluia! Sing to Jesus'
Close: (CTK) 57 'Be still and know I am with you'
(St Jo's). 69 'Be still and know...'

An exciting opportunity for young people:

The Bursary Fund was formed by The Catenian Association, a Catholic organisation which promotes Catholic life. The Fund makes 2 types of awards: Lourdes Awards - every year many young Catholics travel to Lourdes to work as a helper to an assisted pilgrim. Individual Project Awards - a grant to assist a young Catholic to volunteer in the UK or overseas. More information about the Catenian Bursary Fund on.

www.catenianbursary.com or contact Eastbourne Catenians: ebc186@outlook.com. Also see the noticeboard at the back of the church.

May Devotions. May is traditionally the month dedicated to Our Lady; Our Lady's statue at St Jo's will be crowned this Sunday. The holy rosary is an excellent prayer which brings us closer to Mary and through her to her Son, Jesus. There are copies of a leaflet to help us with our rosary devotions at the back of the church; take one for a friend or family member.

Corpus Christi vigil night on Sat 10th June.

The parish prayer group is organising a Prayer Night Vigil for the solemnity of Corpus Christi - starting after Sat 5pm Mass at CTK, and ending at 11pm. The Rosary will be recited in multiple languages. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed, with time for meditation, hymns and intentions. After the Mass we will have supper before prayer starts - bring your own food!

Vocations: 2 weeks ago saw the start of a month of prayer for vocations and in particular for the mission of the Church and the priesthood in Arundel and Brighton. Find out more about vocations on the A & B website at https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/faith/vocations?ct=t

'Cardinal Manning': John De Waal will be speaking on the life of this 19th century cardinal, who was a contemporary of St John Henry Newman, on Mon 22nd May, 7.30-9 pm, at OLR church hall. This has been arranged in conjunction with Eastbourne and Bexhill Newman Circle. All are welcome to attend.

Deanery Confirmation Mass: We would love to have a group of singers and musicians from across the Deanery for the Deanery Confirmation Mass on Sunday 18th June at 3pm (arrive 2pm) at the Cathedral. There will be a rehearsal on Sat 3rd June at 11am in Eastbourne. All who wish to be involved please contact Marylou on marylou.cockshoot@gmail.com by 27th May.

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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 Colleen Stock RIP and more vocations to the priesthood.

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

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Weekly Mass Solicas

	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Mass Intentions	
Sat. May 13th Our Lady of	4-5.00pm. CTK : Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament		
Fatima	CTK. : 5.00pm	Michael Maloney	
Sun May 14th	St Jo's: 9.30am. Mass	Thanksgiving	
Sixth Sunday of Easter	CTK. : 11.30am Mass	Luke Roarty RIP	
	CTK.: 4.00pm Mass (DW)	Patrick Chatfield RIP	
Mon May 15th	No Public Mass	(Thanksgiving)	
Tues May 16th	CTK. 11.00am - Requiem Mass	Daniel Ramscar RIP	
Wed May 17th	St Jo's: 10.00am: Mass	Seamus O'Neil	
Thurs May 18th Ascension Thursday Holy Day of	CTK: Mass 12noon CTK 4.00pm: reception of the body of Roy Worsley RIP CTK: 5.30: Exposition and Holy Hour for priests	Mohsen Amiri Shekari	
Obligation	CTK : 7.00pm Mass (DW)	Genowefa Noszczymska. RIP	
Fri May 19th St Dunstan	CTK: 1.30pm Requiem Mass Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 5.00pm.	Roy Worsley RIP	
Sat May 20th	4-5.00pm. CTK : Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament		
	CTK: 5.00.Mass	Adrian Mannix	
Sun. May 21st	St Jo's : 9.30am Mass	Ann Marsia Goodison RIP	
Seventh Sunday	CTK : 11.30am Mass	Stephen Graves RIP	
of Easter	CTK : 4pm Mass (DW)	Thankgiving	

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, Fr Dominic O'Hara

For the recently deceased: Jose Ameijenda, Ann Snelling, Joseph Ajisafe Mayeloye, Daniel Ramscar, Patrick Chatfield, Roy Worsley, Margareta (Greti) Roche, Colleen Stock