

Scott Hahn reflects on this Sunday's readings. :

‘The liturgy this week continues to instruct us in the elements of discipleship. We’re told that even the most humble among us have a share in the mission Christ gives to his Church. We’re not all called to the ministry of the apostles, or to be prophets like Elisha in today’s First Reading. But each of us is called to a holy life (see [2 Timothy 1:9](#); [1 Thessalonians 4:3](#)).

At baptism our lives were joined forever to the cross of Christ, as Paul tells us in today’s Epistle. Baptised into his death, we’re to renounce sin and live for God in Christ Jesus. We are to follow him, each of us taking up our personal cross, as Jesus says in today’s Gospel. That doesn’t mean we will all be asked to suffer a martyr’s death. But each of us is called to self-denial, to the offering of our lives in service of God’s plan. Jesus must be elevated to first place in our lives, above even our closest bonds of kinship and love.

We are to proclaim that kingdom with our lives, bringing our fathers and mothers, and all men and women, to live as “little ones” under the fatherhood of God and the kingship of the holy One. We do this by opening our hearts and homes to the service of the Lord, following the Shunammite woman’s example in today’s First Reading. As Jesus tells us, we’re to receive others, not only prophets but also little children, the poor, and the imprisoned, as we receive Christ himself (see [Matthew 18:5](#); [25:31–46](#)). As we sing in today’s Psalm, we are to testify to his favours and kindness in our lives. We’re to hold fast to the promise, that if we have died with Christ, we shall also live, that if we lose our lives for his sake, we shall find our reward, and walk forever in his countenance.’

**‘You Raise Me Up’ charity** supports families who have lost a young adult between the ages of 16 & 25; there will be a retiring collection at all Masses this weekend for this charity. Neil Taylor dedicated his recent Camino to Santiago de Compaostela to ‘You Raise Me Up’.

**Fr Michael Debesay**, has contacted us to thank all parishioners for their support and welcome last weekend. He will remember us all in his prayers and continues to ask for our prayers for the work of the Comboni (Verona) missionaries. Please return any envelopes this weekend.

**St Joachim’s Parish Barn Dance and BBQ** on July 22nd, 5-9.00pm. Tickets go on sale this weekend- £5 adult, £2.50 for children, under 3’s free. The evening will include music, games and a raffle. All welcome to this great opportunity to support the parish community and have a fun evening.

**Friends of St Thomas a Becket Catholic Primary School** proudly present ‘Big Top Bonanza, Summer Fair & Circus’ on Sat July 15th, 10.30am-4.00pm. For tickets enter ‘Friends of St Thomas a Becket Catholic Primary School’ into a search engine and follow the link.

**Kairos Prayer Group** meets every fortnight at OLR parish hall from 7.15-9.00pm. Everyone is welcome to join in this beautifully crafted mix of praise and worship, praying with the scriptures and meditation. Next meeting on July 5th.

**Day pilgrimage to Aylesford** on Tues 11th July, depart CTK at 9.15am, and leaving Aylesford at around 4./4.30pm. Contact Amanda - 07932019300. Aylesford Friary is a beautiful shrine to Our Lady in Kent, originating in 1251 when Our Lady appeared to St Simon Stock and gave him the scapular.

**July is the month dedicated** to the Precious Blood of Our Saviour, Jesus Christ. There are copies of a litany to the Precious Blood at the back of the church.

**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Hymns :**  
Open : (CTK) 140. ‘Fight the good fight’  
(St Jo’s) 171. ‘Fight the good fight’  
Off.(CTK) 243. ‘In bread we bring you..’  
(St Jo’s) 302. ‘In bread we bring you  
Close : 375. ‘Now thank we all our God.’  
(St Jo’s). 512. ‘Now thank we all our God’

**Benches at CTK. :** Following Fr Neil’s hints about pews in the church over recent weeks, he has been able to find some suitable benches. They are to be delivered next Thurs. If you are able to help with the setting up, please see Fr Neil.

**200 Club :** The June draw was made last Saturday and the winners are as follows: 1st £100 No 65 Peggy Welsh; 2nd £75 No 21 Mary Thurston; 3rd £50 No 17 Laura Fear. Congratulations to our winners this month. Why not consider joining this excellent way of supporting the parish financially? There are now 3 prizes each month, with the top prize of £100. There are forms at the back of the church if you would like to join.

**CTK Summer BBQ** on Saturday August 19th from 2pm-5pm. Beef Burgers and Hot Dogs on sale at approximately £3.50 each. Bring your own wine etc. Tea and Coffee available. Games for children available. All welcome.

**Summer Concert - The Americas :** Tues 4th July, at Eastbourne Town hall, at 7.30pm. A celebration of classical, stage, screen, and folk music from North and South America including works by Barber, Bernstein and Marquez. Tickets, £10 - available on the door.

**Discussions are being held** about Mass times for both parishes (CTK & St Joachim’s) and the Ordinariate. Any comments or questions, see Fr Neil.

**‘Theology of the Body’** Fr Neil continues his sessions on St Pope John Paul II’s teaching on the theology of the body as announced, usually after 10.00am Mass on Tues, and for men after 7.00pm Mass on Thurs.

**Fr Neil will be away** from July 12-22nd. Services over the weekend 15/16 July will be celebrated by Fr Nicholas Leviseur of the Ordinariate Parish in Pembury.

**Spanish Lessons available.** Spanish Lessons for beginners age 9 upwards, will start on September 9th at 10am. £5 to register then £2.50 per week. Please contact Heather : 07908487603.

**Pilgrimage of reparation and consecration to Our Lady.** The pilgrimage on July 15th is open to all and takes place at Our Lady of Consolation and St Francis church, West Grinstead RH13 BLT : 12noon till 4.15 pm. For more information, contact John : 01323 726334 or 07788749610.

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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**  
Enquiries: 01323 760048

**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 Jo & Chris, and celebration of the 150 years anniversary of Arundel Cathedral.

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



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Mass Intentions
Sat. July 1st	CTK. : 4-4.45. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament CTK. : 5.00pm	Roy Worsley RIP
Sun July 2nd	St Jo's : 9.30am. Mass	Trust in God
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	CTK. : 11.30am Mass	Bridget Brady RIP
	CTK. : 4.00pm Mass (DW)	People of the parish
Mon July 3rd	No Public Mass	(Priest's Intention)
Tues July 4th St Elizabeth of Portugal	CTK. : 10.00am Mass	Marcin Family
Wed July 5th	ST Jo's : 10.00am Mass	Elizabeth & Peter RIP
St Anthony Mary Zaccaria		
Thurs July 6th	CTK : 5.30pm-7.00pm : Exposition and Holy Hour for Priests  CTK : 7.00pm. : Mass (DW)	Valeria Cassidy
Fri July 7th	CTK. : 12noon Mass followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament till 5.00pm.	Pad McCormack RIP
Sat. July 8th	4-5.00pm. CTK : Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  CTK : 5.00.Mass	People of the parish
Sun. July 9th	St Jo's : 9.30am Mass	Earthly & Spiritual Blessings
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	CTK : 11.30am Mass	Peace of Body & Mind
	CTK : 4pm Mass (DW)	Maria & Bohus RIP

**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, John Mack, Alison J Thomas, Mary Ayling, Alan Calivas, Maria Rosa Ferro,

**For the recently deceased:** Daniel Ramscar, Patrick Chatfield, Roy Worsley, Margareta (Greti) Roche, Colleen Stock, Steven Chatfield, Eileen Marshall, Denis Clavio, Fr Trevor Welland, John Barron

The theme is **‘Listen to Her’** and focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion primarily on women, but also men and others.