

**Bishop Richard reflects on Pope Francis’s new Apostolic Exhortation on Climate Change, ‘Laudate Deum’:**

‘Dear brothers and sisters, On Wednesday of this week, the Feast of St Francis, the Holy Father issued an Apostolic Exhortation on the Climate Crisis. The title – *Laudate Deum* – comes, as is the custom, from the first words of the letter: Praise God for all creatures. This document comes eight years after *Laudato Si’* and Pope Francis makes clear that the motivation for his letter arises from the insufficient action across the world in these intervening years, and the impact this has on everyone - especially the most vulnerable.

The Holy Father speaks of climate change as a global reality, and the responsibility that we have for this change. The Holy Father examines the many causes of this phenomenon in some detail, including the demands on natural resources that arise in an increasingly technocratic age – something that it is easy to overlook – and he relates this to the desire for power that is so often a part of our human desire, seeking to place ourselves in God’s place. He speaks of the current situation in international politics and outlines the journey made by the COP conferences, noting the difficulties that are encountered in attempts to come to agreements. He speaks of the poor implementation of the COP accords.

The Holy Father goes on to speak of the motivation borne of faith, arising from the goodness of creation and the beauty of the gift that is our world – calling us to relate more closely to the gift of creation that we have been given.

We may feel that that task is too great, but the Holy Father addresses this also, pointing out that little things can make a difference and calling us to cultural change, especially for those of us living in richer nations.

Do read this letter, which is direct in its message and let us re-commit ourselves to do what we can at domestic and local level, seeking to be a part of a cultural change towards effective care for our brothers and sisters and the world for which care is our responsibility.

With every blessing, + Richard

**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](http://www.christthekingeastbourne.com)

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

**Men’s Rosary Walk :** The next walk will be on Friday 13th October. We will start from CTK at 7.00pm and finish there as well with some bottled beers and nibbles etc. Come and join us! There will be no Men of St Joseph’s meeting next Thursday.

**Bacon Butties** will be on sale after the 11.30 Mass on October 8th; £1 each with proceeds going top parish funds. Other parish events to look out for : All Saints Celebration on Wed 1st Nov, with children to come dressed as their favourite saint. More details to follow.

**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 next week with your charitable donation. Thank You.

**Hymns for 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time :**  
Open : CTK 712. ‘I, the Lord of sea and sky’  
St Jo’s 265. ‘I, the Lord of sea and sky’  
Off : CTK 363. ‘My song is love unknown’  
St Jo’s 503. ‘My song is love unknown’  
Close: CTK 337. ‘Love divine’  
St Jo’s 398. ‘Love divine’

**Collectors Annual Mass Count - final weekend.**  
Please would you count all those who attend our Sunday Masses in CTK and St Jo’s on 8th October. These numbers have to be reported to the Diocese. Please put the numbers on the form in the sacristy.

**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 next Sat, 14th Oct. Doors open 6pm to 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.

**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?

**Senior Friends of CTK** met for the first time on 4th October with 7 members. We are sure this number will grow. The next meeting will be on 7th Nov. in the parish room at CTK, 11am-1.00pm. A light lunch will be available. This group will be offering friendship, helping and supporting one another in whatever needs we may have and like to discuss. Be great to see you.

**200 Club for Sept 2023.** The numbers were drawn last week and the winners are : 1st: (No 19) Laura Fear (Z) £100; 2nd: (No 110) Michael Dowd £75; 3rd: (No 151): Susan Spearman £50. Congratulations to our winners. If you would like to join this excellent fund-raising activity for the parish, there are forms at the back of the church.

**Bishop Richard** will celebrate Mass to mark the Feast of Blessed Carlo Acutis on Thurs 12 Oct at St Peter’s Church, Portland Road, Hove, the home to the diocesan shrine of Blessed Carlo. Mass at 7pm will be followed by an opportunity to venerate the relic. All are invited.

**CTK pew** kneelers have been re-upholstered with new material to improve the quality, presentation and comfort of the pews.

**Kairos Prayer Group** at CTK parish hall on Wed 11th, 7.30pm onwards. Come and join this time of prayer, sharing and teaching. All welcome.

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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 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 Martin Telford and Arthur Green RIP. . 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.



	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Intentions
Sat. Oct 7th	CTK. : 4-4.45pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament CTK. : 5.00pm	Souls in purgatory
Sun Oct 8th 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Jo's : 9.30am. Mass  CTK. : 11.30am Mass  CTK. : 4.00pm Mass (DW)	For all kinds of suffering in the world  For much desired earthly and spiritual blessings  Oliver Drzewniak - for a blessed life
Mon Oct 9th St John Henry Newman	No Public Mass	(Cures, healings, peace for body & mind especially earthly & spiritual blessings)
St Paulinus of York	CTK : 10.00am Mass.	Vocations
Wed Oct 11th Pope St John XXIII	ST Jo's : 10.00am Mass	Etna Curran RIP
Thurs Oct 12th St Wilfrid BI Carlo Acutis	CTK : 5.30pm-7.00pm : Exposition and Holy Hour for Priests 7.00pm. Mass (DW)	Russell & Sonia de la Motte
Fri Oct 13th St Edward the Confessor	CTK. : 12noon Mass followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12.30pm - 5.00pm.	Anna Janka family
Sat Oct 14th St Callistus	4-4.45pm. CTK : Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  CTK : 5.00pm Mass	Thanksgiving for all priests
Sun. Oct 15th 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Jo's : 9.30am Mass  CTK : 11.30am Mass  CTK : 4pm Mass (DW)	Maureen Farrant RIP  Liorna (Mina) Young RIP  Philip Drake 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 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, Maria Rosa Ferro, Deacon Dave Turner, June Neville

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