

Bishop Richard reflects on this Sunday’s Gospel reading.

‘This Sunday’s first reading provides us with the Law of Moses concerning the treatment of lepers. They are to remain outside the camp for as long as the disease persists. While there would have been a great fear of contagion, this meant rejection for the one who was sick, the loss of their livelihood and their dignity.

In the Gospel, Jesus’ response to the leper is the welcome of touch and the gift of healing. Health, dignity, livelihood are all restored to him.

The result for Jesus is that he becomes the one who can no longer, as it were, ‘enter the camp.’ He takes on the impact of the disease for the one he had cured.

When we come to Holy Week, we find Jesus taken outside the city again – this time to be crucified for our sins, for the sins of the whole world. Jesus becomes outcast, unclean, condemned for the whole world, for men and women of every time, every nation, for you, for me.

St Paul reminds us that Jesus is the model for his actions, his life. We are called to do as Paul did. Jesus is our model too. Thus when we encounter the outcast, the sick, the lonely, the vulnerable of our society, we must strive to welcome them, to bring them healing and dignity. As Jesus did, so we are called to take their burden and walk with them into the freedom that comes through the One Who died and rose for us.’

Best Wishes and Prayers, Bishop Richard

Ash Wednesday (this Wednesday) marks the start of the forty days of Lent, a season of penance, preparing us for the celebration of Easter. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting (less food) and abstinence (no meat) for those who are obliged to fast - those aged 18+ until the age of 60. Mass will be celebrated at 10am (St Jo's), 12noon & 7.00pm (DW) at CTK.

Shrove Tuesday is on Feb 13th. There will be an additional opportunity at CTK for confession from 5.00pm before a Sung Evensong at 6pm, following which there will be a get-together in the small hall before Lent starts. Bring savoury dishes, pancakes and sweet fillings to share and enjoy.

St Joachim’s are preparing for Lent with pancakes after Mass on Feb 11th. We are asking for £1 donation. Also we are after a fridge - if anyone is getting rid of one, let Sam know on 07790673118.

Lent Groups. ‘**Journeying with Jesus through Lent**’: During Lent there will be an opportunity to join a Lenten group. The meetings will be held on Tuesdays after the 10am Mass and on Wednesdays Eve at 7:30pm, starting on the 20th and 21st February respectively. Both in the parish room at CTK. All welcome.

Stations of the Cross at CTK : during Lent, there will be Stations each Friday at 5.00pm following Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Lenten books. Spiritual materials for Lent are available to help us during our Lenten preparation. ‘Bible Alive’, ‘Day by Day’ and ‘Walk with Jesus’ are at the back of the church this weekend. There is also a Lenten calendar for children available. Please take a copy.

‘**Prayer for a Fruitful Lent**’ : there are copies of this prayer available at the back of the church; please take a copy of the prayer and make it part of your Lenten observance

Hymns for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time :
Open : CTK. (295). ‘Lay your hands’
St Jo’s. : (347). ‘Lay your hands’
Off : CTK (356) ‘My God and is my table spread’
St Jo’s : (496). ‘My God and is my table spread’
Close : CTK (449). ‘Praise my soul’
St Jo’s. : (602). ‘Praise my soul’

CTK Seniors meet again for our next session on Wed Feb 14th, at 11.00am-1.00pm in the parish room. There’s a Mass at 12noon for Ash Wednesday, so we will have the opportunity to attend that Mass if so desired. All welcome as we join together for nibbles, sharing and fun. If you need a lift, contact Dominic - 07709305657.

World Day of Prayer : Friday, March 1st at Emmanuel Church, Upperton Rd, Eastbourne. Prepared by the Christian women of Palestine. 2.30pm in the church, followed by refreshments in the hall. See poster at the back of the church. All welcome.

‘**A Day with Mary**’ : **CTK Sat 24th Feb, 10am to 4pm.** An opportunity to spend time in prayer with the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross with Mary, as well as reflections, Adoration, confession and a votive Mass of Our Lady. There will be time for lunch, bring your own food.

Men of St Joseph, a parish group offering spiritual support and friendship for the men in CTK and St Jo’s will now meet weekly on a Friday evening in the parish room CTK, 7.30pm-9.00pm; the next meeting is on Feb 16th. All welcome.

200 Club renewal : We are now approaching the time when reminders to those members is relevant where they pay by cheque £1PW for each numbers i.e. £52 per number. Please make your cheque out to "Christ the King Parish" and pass for the attention of Mike Woods in an envelope. New members are always welcome. Many thanks.

World Day of the Sick. This Sunday we remember those who suffer through sickness and ill health. Throughout February, Pope Francis has also asked us to remember the terminally ill and their family and friends. Please pray for them to find the consoling peace of our Lord.

Dona Contactless Machine at CTK : Please feel free to make your donation to the parish via the contactless machine. Your donation can also be Gift Aided. The Dona Machine is to be found at the back of the church.

Agnes Curtis’s funeral is on Tues 20th Feb at 12.30pm in CTK, so there will be NO 10.00am Mass on that day. We pray for the repose of Agnes’s soul, and remember especially her family and friends at this time. RIP.

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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 Agnes Curtis RIP and Ian Platt 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.



Weekly Mass Schedule

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Mass Intentions
Sat. Feb 10th	CTK. : 4-4.45pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament CTK. : 5.00pm	Rebecca
Sun Feb 11th	St Jo's. 9.30am	People of the Parish
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	CTK 11.30am CTK. 4.00pm. (DW)	Mark & Ilona Hollands Joyce & James Telford RIP
World Day of the Sick		
Mon Feb 12th	No public Mass today	(David Tredwin & family)
Tues Feb 13th	CTK : 10.00am Mass CTK. : 5.00pm Evensong	Thanksgiving
Wed Feb 14th Ash Wednesday	St Jo's : 10.00am. Mass CTK. : 12noon Mass CTK. 7.00pm. Mass (DW)	Francesca Allan Agnes Curtis RIP Bishop Richard's Pastoral Plan
Thurs Feb 15th	CTK : 5.30pm-7.00pm Holy Hour for Priests 7.00pm Mass (DW)	G. Rasche RIP
Fri Feb 16th	CTK. 12noon Follow by exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament till 5.00pm. 5.00pm. CTK	Fr David Rhys RIP Stations of the Cross
Sat Feb 17th	4-4.45pm. CTK : Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament CTK : 5.00pm Mass	Romaani de La Motte
Sun. Feb 18th First Sunday of Lent	St Jo's. : 9.30am. Mass CTK. : 11.30m. Mass CTK. : 4.00pm. Mass (DW)	Holy Souls Luke Roarty RIP Brian Hichisson 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, 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, Sylvia Brady, Sue Davies

For the recently deceased: Gary Neville, Charles John Hollands, Agostinho Jorge Alves, Bridget Smith, James (Jim) O’Hara, Abbot Stephen Ortiger, Agnes Curtis