

Bishop Richard Moth reflects on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi :

We gather for our celebration of Corpus Christi at a significant time in the life of our Diocese when the Pastoral Plan – The Word Who is Life – is being implemented. While this is a time of change, all we do grows from our encounter with the True Vine - the person of Jesus Christ – who gives Himself to us in the Eucharist. Our continuing conformity to Him, our remaining part of the Vine, is the only way for us to ensure that we are faithful to the Mission to which He has called us.

Our celebration today, elevated by the wonderful carpet of flowers, celebrates the gift of the Eucharist, and impresses upon us all the centrality of the Lord’s Eucharistic presence in our lives.

The wonder of the Eucharist calls for our utmost thanksgiving - it is the greatest gift for our journey. We speak of Viaticum - food for the journey - as the last Communion before death, but the Eucharist is the food for our journey of life. The Lord gives us His very self as the supreme sustenance for our lives. The Lord’s Passover - His life death and resurrection - is made present by none other than the Lord himself, acting through his Priest. Just as Jesus gave Himself to the Apostles in the Upper Room, under the appearance of bread and wine, so He gives Himself to us. He is the Bread of Life. Like the disciples at Emmaus, we recognise Him in the breaking of bread and our hearts burn within us as He speaks to us on the road of our own pilgrimage and feeds us with his very self.

Spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, speak to others of his Real Presence, share frequently in the celebration of the Eucharist for it is participation in Him that brings about, in a way not possible in any other context, our conformity to Him, and the growth in holiness that will enable us to proclaim Him to the world.

With every blessing, Bishop Richard Moth

(This is an abridged version of Bishop Richards’s reflection. A full copy is available at the back of the church)

Parish Community Lunch at CTK this Sunday, June 2nd after the 11.30 Mass in the parish hall. Please come along and join in a time of sharing and friendship. Bring some food to share with others.

Exploring the Catholic Faith. Are you interested in exploring the Catholic faith, or do you know someone who might be interested? A course that will be both in person and on-line will begin in September in preparation for reception into the Catholic Church next Easter. Forms need to be filled out in the meantime. Please speak to Fr Neil or Deacon Eugene.

Moving towards Becoming a Moderated Parish. In the autumn (November) we will formally begin the journey into becoming a Single Parish from Eastbourne to Rye, bringing together what are now 8 separate parishes. The clergy are already reflecting on the good resources we can share, how to work closely together, how to collaborate in mission, and identifying good leadership from within our communities. As the journey unfolds, we will all have a part to play. May the Holy Spirit bless and guide us every step of the way.

CTK Seniors meets for our next regular monthly session on June 12th, 11-1.00pm in the parish room. All welcome as we get together for fun and friendship. A light lunch will be provided.

Men of St Joseph Rosary Walk takes place on June 14th. We recite the Holy Rosary as we walk around our town praying for the intentions of the parish and our town. We gather at 7.00pm in the parish room at CTK and have time of sharing and reflection afterwards.

Hymns for Corpus Christi :
Open : CTK (226). ‘I am the Bread of Life’
St Jo’s (272). ‘I am the Bread of Life’
Off : CTK. (424) ‘Praise our great and glorious’
St Jo’s. (730). ‘This is my body’
Close : (381). ‘O Bread of Heaven’
St Jo’s. (517). ‘O Bread of Heaven’

June is traditionally dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. To help with our private devotions, there is a Litany to the Sacred Heart available at the back of the church. The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated this week on Friday June 7th.

Matthew 25 Mission is a local charity that supports the homeless and disadvantaged in Eastbourne. They are in need of various items of food, especially pasta, lentils, baked beans and other products. Thanks for your support.

Harry’s Heavenly 21st Birthday. Saturday 15th June, 12noon-4.00pm at CTK parish hall. FREE food and entertainment for everyone, lots of stalls, raffle tickets on sale now; please see Amanda for details. We are raising funds for ‘You Raise Me Up’ and ‘Kingdom Way Trust’ charities. See poster at the back of the church.

Phoenix Choir will be singing Rhythms of Life, Sacred and Secular Songs that Swing, including Bob Chilcott’s Little Jazz Mass, on Sat 8 June, All Saints Church, Grange Road at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are available £12 from the Visitor Centre, Reid & Dean Estate Agents and WeGotTickets.

Teaching assistants required for the Southfield Trust which has 4 special needs schools in Eastbourne, including Summerdown which is growing further in September. Applicants welcome from all backgrounds, no prior experience necessary, training and support available. Visit : www.thesouthfieldtrust.com

Teddy bears’ picnic after Mass at St Jo’s 23/6/24. Bring along your favourite teddy/toy and a blanket if it’s a nice day. Join the celebrations, games, singalong and a family celebration and cake sale. Please bring along your own picnic. Also advance notice : we are having a barn dance at St Jo’s on 13/7/24. More details to follow.

Eastbourne Deanery Confirmations : musicians and singers are invited to join the celebration at OLR on the morning of Sat June 15th; if interested there is an obligatory rehearsal at 4.00pm, June 1st at OLR. Contact Marylou to confirm your attendance - marylou.joyofmusic@gmail.com

Grandparents' Pilgrimage 26 June, 10.30am-3pm at the Shrine of Our Lady, West Grinstead. A day of sharing and prayer with other grandparents, led by Bishop Richard, including Mass, Benediction, Rosary, and tours of the secret chapel. More details later.

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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
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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 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 Popoola RIP and Fr David Waller. There are forms available at the back of the church if you would like to sponsor a candle.

DONA Contactless payment card machine is available at the back of CTK. Payments using the machine have increased over recent weeks; thanks to those who are using it.

Holy Rosary will be recited every Sunday at CTK at 10.45am before Mass.

	Corpus Christi.	Mass Intentions
Sat June 1st		
Vigil of Corpus Christi	CTK. : 5.00pm Mass 7.00pm-11.00pm CTK	Agostinho Jorge Alves RIP Vigil of prayer for Corpus Christ
Sun June 2nd	St Jo's. 9.30am	Berly Baby, 50th birthday
Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	CTK 11.30am (DW)	Helga Edwards RIP
Mon June 3rd	No Public Mass today	John & Kathleen Geraghty RIP
St Charles Lwanga		
Tues June 4th	CTK. 10.00am Mass	Noreen McCormack
Wed June 5th	St Jo's : 10.00am. Mass	Mrs Marie Poole RIP
St Boniface		
Thurs June 6th	5.30-7.00pm : CTK. Holy Hour for Priests 7.00pm. CTK. Mass (DW)	Agostinho Jorge Alves RIP
Fri June 7th	CTK. 12noon : Mass 12.30pm CTK : Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 5.00pm followed by the Litany of Loreto	Private Intention
Sacred Heart of Jesus		
Sat June 8th	CTK : 4.15-4.45pm : Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Immaculate Heart of Mary	5.00pm. Mass	People of the Parish
Sun June 9th	St Jo's. : 9.30am. Mass	For the souls in purgatory
10th Sunday in Ordinary Time	CTK. : 11.30am Mass (DW)	Waldemar Brandys RIP

We pray for all the sick of the parish, and especially : 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, Daniel Markham, Maria P Veras, Alison J Thomas, Alan Calivas, Maria Rosa Ferro, Deacon Dave Turner, Sylvia Brady, Sue Davies, Samantha McLoughlin, Graham Pegley, Enogue G Peixoto, Elias Peixoto, Fr Laurence Quin-Morris, Canon Daithi Foley, Val Williams, Fr Ademir Marques

For the recently deceased: For the repose of the souls of : Agnes Popoola, Sr Rosemary Claire Skinner SBVM, Fr John Hunwicke, Rosemary Fenn

