

Bishop Richard Moth reflects on this Sunday's Gospel :

This Sunday, with the Feast of Pentecost, the great season of Eastertide draws to a close.

St Paul, in this Sunday's Second Reading from his letter to the Galatians, reminds us of the fruits that the Holy Spirit brings: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. We must pray for the flourishing of these fruits across a world that is torn apart by conflict and the deprivations this brings to so many.

It is important to remember always that we do not produce these fruits of ourselves – they are, after all, the fruits of the Holy Spirit. The Sequence for the feast reminds us: "If thou take thy grace away, nothing pure in us will stay, all our good is turned to ill." Nothing is possible without the Spirit's grace. Our responsibility is to ensure that we place nothing in the way of the flourishing of this grace within us.

A question for each of us today must surely be, therefore: "What, in my life, prevents the flourishing of these fruits? What things prevent me being a person who, as a disciple of the Lord, is a bearer of these fruits for my brothers and sisters?"

While we pray for the world in which we live, it is vital for us to accept the responsibility that we have for our brothers and sisters. Our openness to the fruits the Holy Spirit would bring about in us is a prophetic sign for the whole world. Let us be open to the Spirit's gifts, the grace that is poured into our hearts, that we may be fruitful in our living of the Gospel.

With every blessing, Bishop Richard Moth

Parish Community Lunch at CTK on 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.

Vigil prayer for Corpus Christi will take place at CTK on Saturday 1st June from 7pm to 11pm. There will be the Rosary and prayers for vocations with hymns, intercessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. During the Vigil service, the re-commissioning of the Eucharistic ministers will take place. After the 5pm Mass you can join in the supper in the hall before the prayers begin. Bring your own food.

Corpus Christi Carpet of Flowers, Arundel Cathedral, 29-30 May. Experience our Cathedral Carpet of Flowers in celebration of the Feast of Corpus Christi. View the carpet 9.30am-7pm on Wednesday and 9.30am-5.30pm on Thursday. Mass, followed by a procession to Arundel Castle, will begin at 5.30pm on the Thursday. Everyone is welcome.

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.

Fr David Waller has been appointed by Pope Francis as the Bishop-Ordinary of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham; he is effectively Fr Neil's 'boss'! He will be ordained bishop at Westminster Cathedral on June 22nd. We pray for Bishop-elect David and the priests and people of the Ordinariate.

Hospital Mass: Tuesday 28th May at 12 noon in the Hospital Chapel, on the 3rd floor next to Michelham Ward; praying for the patients, staff and families of those in hospital. If you are going into hospital or have a friend in hospital who would like a visit from Fr Neil or Deacon Eugene, please let us know.

Hymns for Pentecost Sunday :
Open : CTK (70). 'Breathe on me, breath of God'
St Jo's (98). 'Breathe on me, breath of God'
Off : CTK. (3). 'Abba, Father, send your Spirit'
St Jo's. (8). 'Abba Father, send your Spirit'
Close : CTK (501) 'Spirit of the living God'
St Jo's. (666). 'Spirit of the living God'

Mass Intentions. If you would like a Mass said for your intentions, please fill out a form from the back of the Church and return it to the sacristy clearly labelled. Please add your name, the intention for the Mass and a preferred date, also your contact details. Please book up a few months in advance if you would like a specific date and time. At present there is a 2-3 month waiting list for Masses to be said. Thank you.

May Devotions. May is a month traditionally dedicated to Our Lady. A prayer to Our Lady and the Litany of Loreto will be recited every Friday at 5.00pm after Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Copies of the Litany are available.

A month of prayer for vocations : The journey from Eastertide to Ascension and Pentecost calls us to mission. This year, in the light of the new Pastoral Plan, the whole Diocese is invited to come together for prayer to the Holy Spirit to grant us a missionary spirit, through the raising up of new vocations to all walks of life but especially to the priesthood. *Pentecost Sunday : Let us pray for the Holy Spirit to be poured out on our Diocese, to produce many vocations. Read the variety of spiritual gifts that make up the Church (1 Cor 12, 3-13).*

Bible Alive is a monthly magazine with daily scripture reflections from the liturgy and other helpful articles to develop our spiritual life. June's edition is available at the back of the church. Donations welcome.

Flower Festival at St Nicholas Church, Pevensey -'All things bright and beautiful' - takes place May 25th-27th. Refreshments available, admission free but donations welcome. Please see the poster at the back of the church.

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 Saturday 8 June at All Saints Church, Grange Road at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are available £12 (£5 for under 18s/ students) from the Visitor Centre, Reid & Dean Estate Agents and WeGotTickets.

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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 we pray for Steven Chatfield RIP and the diocesan Pastoral Plan. 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.

	Pentecost Sunday	Mass Intentions
Sat May 18th	CTK. : 4-4.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Vigil of Pentecost	CTK. : 5.00pm Mass	Mark Phelps RIP
Sun May 19th	St Jo's. 9.30am	People of the Parish
Pentecost Sunday	CTK 11.30am (DW)	David Cockett
Mon May 20th Mary, Mother of the Church	No Public Mass today	Sr Rosemary Claire Skinner RIP
Tues May 21st	CTK. 10.00am. Mass	Stephen Graves RIP
St Christopher Magellanes		
Wed May 22nd	St Jo's : 10.00am. Mass	Janusz Grobowski RIP
St Rita Cascia		
Thurs May 23rd	5.30-7.00pm : CTK. Holy Hour for Priests Mass 7.00pm (DW)	Micheline McCarthy
Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest		
Fri May 24th	CTK : 12noon Mass 12.30pm CTK : Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 5.00pm followed by the Litany of Loreto	John Kimberley RIP
Our Lady, Help of Christians		
Sat May 25th	CTK : 4.15-4.45pm : Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
St Bede the Venerable	5.00pm. Mass	Sr Angela McCabe
Sun May 26th	St Jo's. : 9.30am. Mass	People of the Parish
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity	CTK. : 11.30am Mass (DW)	Sheila & Bryan

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 Blyat, 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 : Rev John Kimberley, Agnes Popoola, June Neville, Sr Rosemary Claire Skinner SBVM, Fr John Hunwicke

