Scott Hahn reflects on this weekend's readings :

Called From Every Nation:

On the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year, we hear how God gathers people from all corners of the earth. The message is clear. God's love is not limited to one group. He wants all people to come to Him. This Sunday reminds us that following God is not always easy.

In the Gospel, Jesus speaks about the narrow gate. He says that many will try to enter, but not all will succeed. It takes effort, trust, and a steady heart.

Hebrews tells us that discipline is part of love. Just like a parent teaches a child, God teaches us. This is not to punish us but to help us grow stronger. The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C invites us to keep walking with God, even when the road is hard. God is calling all people to come and share in His joy. Let us respond with open hearts and ready hands

(Scott Hahn is a Catholic scripture scholar and former Protestant minister)

Welcome to Mass this weekend to any visitors or holiday makers.

Fr John's collection. Fr Neil mentioned that we will have a collection for Fr John's parish in Nigeria. He is in the process of building a youth centre for the school and church. The main structure is completed but the decorating and furnishings for the centre need to be added. He would also like to purchase musical instruments for the youth of the parish to use for school and church activities. He has estimated that it will cost £2000 to finish the project. Our donations this weekend will go a long way to support this excellent work as well as showing our appreciation for Fr John's time with us over the last few weeks. Thanks to all who donated last weekend. If you use to DONA machine, please leave your name in the sacristy stating you have used DONA to contribute to Fr John's collection.

Hospital Mass: Next Mass: Tues 26 August, 12.00noon in the Hospital Chapel on Level 3, next to Michelham ward. All welcome as we pray for patients, staff and families. If you or a loved one are in hospital, and would like a visit from a priest, or are going for surgery and would like to be Anointed in advance, please let Fr Neil or Deacon Eugene know.

March For Life takes place in London on September 6th. This is a chance for us as Catholics, along with our fellow Christians, to show public support and our respect for human life from birth to natural death. March begins at 1.30pm from Emmanuel Centre, Marsham St, London SW1P 3NT, finishing in Parliament Square. Mass at Westminster Cathedral 10.30am.

CWL meets on Wed 3rd September in the parish room at CTK 7-9.00pm.

CTK Seniors meets on Sept 10th 11.30-1.30pm in the parish room. Come along and spend time with fellow parishioners. There will be tea and coffee available, and a light lunch.

Holy Rosaries: we have been given a number of rosaries from Medjugorje; they are free of charge and are available at the back of the church. This is a good opportunity to take up this excellent prayer and devotion to Our Lady.

Family Adoration will resume on September 6th 11.00-11.30am at CTK. Come along as a family and spend time in front of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for our family, friends and the parish community.

'God Who Speaks' The summer months can offer us an opportunity to take a break from the business of everyday life. The "God Who Speaks" website has a number of resources available to those who wish to use the warmer weather and longer evenings to deepen their faith, with materials from a range of contributors available at https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/recommendations/?ct=t

Hymns for 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Opening Hymn:

CTK: (27). 'All people that on earth'
St Jo's: (22). 'All people that on earth'
Off: CTK: (226). 'I am the bread of life.'
St Jo's: (272). 'I am the bread of life'
Closing Hymn

CTK: (26). 'All over the world' St Jo's: (357). 'Let all the world'

Assisted Suicide Bill: We are expecting the Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill to have its Second Reading in the House of Lords on Friday 12 September. Right to Life UK have just launched a new EasyAction tool to help you email a few Peers directly about the Assisted Suicide Bill. To email the peers go to: Ask Peers to oppose the Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill.

Relics of St Andrew, the Apostle, St

Columba of Iona and St Margaret of Scotland are touring through Scotland, England and Wales during this Jubilee year. The Relics will be displayed on Wed 27th Aug, at St Wilfrid's, South Road, Hailsham, between 9.30am and 7pm. All welcome. Leaflets are available at the back of the church with more information.

Late Summer Fayre and Garden Party at CTK on September 20th, 10.30am-2.30pm. We already have local stall holders booking their places. We need donations for our raffle, which can be left in the box at back of the church. Can you help on the day? Sign up sheet at the back of the church. Please see Amanda for questions and a poster. Thanks.

Matthew 25 Mission is in urgent need of a volunteer to drive their small Vauxhall van to collect food donations from our main source etc. The hours are 8.am-10.30am Mon-Fri; even if you do just 1 day a week that would be great. We are also in urgent need of volunteers who can spare us a couple of hours of their time to help prepare lunch for the people we help. We are open from 7.30am-2.30pm. Please contact the centre manager for more details: manager@matthew25mission.org; tel 01323.726960. Many thanks.

DONA Machine has been repaired and is now available for use. If you have no cash you can still make a contribution to the parish finances by tapping your debit or credit card on the machine. Contributions via the machine had increased before the issues we had a few months ago.

Bible Alive for September is available at the back of the church. It contains a comment on scripture readings for each day at Mass and reflections about our Catholic faith. Donations welcome.

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Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Sacrament of Confession is available at CTK on Thurs 6-6.45pm, Friday, 12.45-2.00pm Saturday, 4-4.45pm. And on-call. Contact Fr Neil.

For enquiries for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, and Marriage, please speak to either Fr Neil or Deacon Eugene; also ring the office : 01323 760048

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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: A/C Name: RCD A&B Christ the King Eastbourne. Sort Code: 40-05-20 A/C No: 91127012; St Joachim's A/C. Sort Code: 40-05-20; A/C No: 51077058.

Votive Candles. Would you like to sponsor a candle for a personal intention or a special need at CTK? There are forms available at the back of the church if you would like to sponsor a candle.

DONA Contactless payment card machine is now available at the back of CTK. Thanks to all who use this method of payment.

	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Intentions
Saturday Aug 23rd St Rose of Lima	CTK: 4-4.45pm.: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament CTK.: 5.00pm Vigil Mass	Elio Bracuti RIP
Sun Aug 24th	St Jo's. 9.30am	People of the parish
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	CTK 11.30am (DW)	Noreen McCormack
Mon Aug 25th St Louis	No Public Mass today.	(celebrant's' intention)
Tues Aug 26th	CTK.: 10.00am Mass	Holy Souls
Blessed Dominic Barberi	Hospital Mass: 12noon	
Wed Aug 27th St Monica	St Jo's : 10.00am	Maya
Thurs Aug 28th St Augustine	CTK: 5.30-7.00pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour for priests.	
	CTK : 7.00pm Mass. (DW)	Maya
Fri Aug 29th Passion of St John the Baptist	CTK: 10.00am-3.00pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament CTK: 12noon: Mass	Bernadette Chandler
Sat Aug 30th St Margaret Clitherow	CTK. 4.00pm-4.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament CTK: 5.00pm Vigil Mass	Members of CWL
Sun Aug 31st	St Jo's.: 9.30am Mass	People of the parish
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	CTK.: 11.30am Mass (DW)	Stephen Graves RIP

We pray for all the sick of the parish, and especially: Eithne Lloyd, Stuart McCarthy, Marie Williams, Maria P Veras, Sylvia Brady, Alexandra Waters, Neidilane Emerch, Rose Hellyer, Graham Pegley, Serena May, Enogue G Peixoto, Freda Swales, Bernadette Chandler

For the recently deceased and the repose of the soul of all the faithful departed.