

The Catholic Parish Christ the King & St Joachim

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Dear Friends,

“Avenge me of mine adversary” (Luke 18:1-8)

In the Parable of the Unjust Judge and the Persistent Widow we are given a purely human account of how ‘justice’ works. Men grant ‘rights’ and follow ‘laws’ simply out of convenience, rarely if ever, for the right reasons the fulfilment of natural law. What is justice, anyway? We so often find ourselves caught up in a culture of entitlement, litigation, conflict, and division. Some semblance of order may sometimes result, but it never lasts long, and it’s hard to see what it is we *really* want.

The Unjust Judge “neither feared God nor respected man”. After much nagging, he reluctantly gives the widow her rights, but his actions are not motivated by charity. What motivates our actions is known only to God and our conscience. If, unlike the Unjust Judge, we find unaffected, sincere, selfless love within ourselves, we are keeping Christ’s commandment to love, and “whatsoever we ask, we receive of him” (1 John 3:22). For, God, utterly unlike any earthly judge, is Love, and by his nature is also Just.

When we appeal to God, like the Persistent Widow, we are praying in a particular way. Petitionary prayer is perhaps the most common form of prayer, especially in times of distress and need. When we ask God for things, we are not pleading with an arbitrary, human judge - God is different. Even the perfect prayer does not guarantee we receive from God those things for which we ask. This is because prayer is itself the expression of a desire, a desire for union with God above all. When we ask for something and God does not give it to us, this does not mean that we lack charity or prayed badly. Rather, it means God is loving, healing, and judging us in a way which transcends human understanding: he knows best. In doing this, he fulfils our *primary* desire for union with him, rather than other desires. Instead of asking God for our ‘rights’, we should simply love our God and neighbour and understand that suffering can be a part of love’s transforming work. This love is what keeps us coming back to God, as did the widow to the judge, and we know that God does whatever is necessary to fulfil love’s desire by bringing us to eternal life.

Prayers and best wishes,
Keir, (seminarian on placement).

Rosary for the Unborn. The KSC and SPUC invite you to please continue praying the Rosary. The intention for October is for the end of abortion in our country. October is the month of the Holy Rosary.

Church Cleaning Rotas. New rotas for the next few months for those cleaning Christ the King church are available at the back of the church.

Canonisation of Cardinal Newman. John Henry Newman was canonised last weekend in Rome; to celebrate this, there is a Mass at St Peter’s, Hove, on October 31st celebrated by Mgr Keith Newton. See poster in the church.

Patcham Silver Band. This year’s performance is on November 2nd at 7.00pm at Christ the King. Tickets will be on sale from this weekend.

Missio (Red boxes). This Sunday is World Mission Day, which we support with the red boxes. Dina Green has kindly agreed to count the money from the boxes for Christ the King and Tony McWall for St Joachim; if you have a box that needs emptying, please bring it to church. If you would like to have a box, please speak to one of the clergy. There is a **second collection** this weekend for Missio.

Parish Christmas Meal. The list is now closed; please pay £5 deposit by 27th October when Heather will be at the back of church to collect the deposits.

Calx Mariae. Copies of this magazine which provides articles and analysis about Catholic life, family and culture are available at the back of the church. Suggested donation - £4.50.

Prayer Before Mass All are welcome on the last Sunday of each month to the Chapel of Our Lady at Christ the King at 10.15. In the following months the Prayer will take place on Sundays the 27th October and the 24th November. In Advent we will meet for the Prayer every Sunday, i.e. on the 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd December.

Baptism - Sienna Dunbar. Please keep in your prayers baby Sienna who will be baptised this Sunday afternoon at St. Joachim’s. Pray too for her parents, godparents and family whose responsibility it will be to keep her active in the faith of the Church.

Bishop Richard’s Pastoral Message. This weekend we have a pastoral message on the diocesan pastoral plan, which will be played at all Masses. There are copies of the back of the church if you want to take one home.

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Sacramental Confession on Saturday
9-10am as well as
either before
or after most Masses; please ask Fr Neil
or Fr Thomas

For enquiries for baptism, first
communion, confirmation, and
marriages please speak
to either Fr Neil, Fr Thomas or
Deacon Eugene and also ring the office.
Tel. 01323 760048

Parish Hall Bookings
Enquiries: 01323 760048

website [https://](https://christthekingchurch.org.uk)
christthekingchurch.org.uk

Facebook page: Christ The King with
St Joachim, Eastbourne

Banking Matters

For parishioners who would like to set up a monthly standing order with their bank to cover their regular offertory to the Parish our bank details are:

CTK - Sort Code: 40-05-20
Account No: 91127012

St. Joachim’s - Sort Code: 40-05-20
Account No: 51077058.

Last Sunday’s Offertory :
CTK. : £306.64
St Jo’s : £206.69

Average Weekly Standing Order :
CTK : £180
St Jo’s : £170

Mass Attendance :
CTK. : 210
St Jo’s : 142

Eucharistic Adoration
St Joachim :
Wed 9-10am

Christ the King :
Thursday : 7-8.00pm
Fri : 1.00pm-7.00pm
Sat : 9-10am

29th Sunday in Ordinary time		Mass Intentions
Saturday 19th October	Confessions : 9-10am (CTK) 5.00pm Christ the King	Edmund O’Sullivan RIP
Sunday October 20th	9.30am St Joachim 11.30am Christ the King	Lynn Gilliat RIP (Farrant family) J.D.Castro RIP
29th Sunday in Ordinary time	4.00pm St Agnes	Divine Worship
Monday 21st October	10.00am Christ the King 7.30pm Our Lady of Ransom	Mass Divine Worship
Tuesday October 22nd St John Paul II	7.30am Christ the King	Latin Mass
Wednesday October 23rd	9.00am St Joachim 10.00am St Joachim	Exposition Holy Souls
Thursday October 24th St Anthony Mary Claret	7.00pm Christ the King 8.00pm Christ the King	Adoration Divine Worship
Friday October 25th English & Welsh Martyrs	12.00noon Christ the King	Mass
Saturday October 26th Ss Chad & Cedd	Confessions : 9-10am (CTK) 5.00pm Christ the King	Sonia de La Motte
Sunday Oct 27th 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am. Christ the King 9.30am St Joachim 11.30am Christ the King 4.00pm St Agnes	Latin Mass Colin Smitherman RIP Tina Carnaghi RIP Divine Worship

People we have been asked to pray for :

Chris Gimmons, Don Wilkins, Mary Bateman, Thelma Kemp, Stuart McCarthy, James & Sheila Douds, Helena Sagnelia, Peter Sollis, Frankie Farrell, Daisy Kelly, Sue & Mick O’Driscoll, Eddie Burke, Rene Cook, Gill Cooke, Jan Blake, Sandra McMeekin, David Dwyer, Eileen Kehoe, Diana Smith, Pat Raper, Colleen Stock, Sr Mary Keiley, Fr Gerry Flood, Charles El Mawas, Jane Hollands, Kirina Blaty, Moira Morrison, Fr Laurence Quin-Morris, Fr Jerome Bertram, Peggy Walsh



For those who have died : all who have died recently, and for all our deceased relatives and friends. May they rest in peace.

200 Club

Supports the work of Sisters of Mercy at Mutomo Hospital, in Kenya, and The Infant Jesus Sisters School in Nigeria.

September
38 Debbie Adams
76 Neil Chatfield
149 Audrey Shadbolt
200 David Cockett

October
30. Iona Hollands
34. R.P. Sherlock
88. Geoffrey Blake
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