The Catholic Parish Christ the King & St Joachim

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Dear friends,

One of the traditions associated with Epiphany is to bless one's house, and to mark the entrance with blessed chalk. This can be done by gathering the family together in front of the crib-scene or other suitably devotional item, with the head of the house leading the prayer below; or if you would prefer, a priest can perform the blessing - ask Fr. Neil or me, we would be more than happy to do so.

Let us pray. O Lord, Almighty God, bless this house that it may become a shelter of health, chastity, self-conquest, humility, goodness, mildness, obedience to the commandments, and thanksgiving to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Upon this house and those who dwell herein may Your blessing remain forever, through Christ out Lord. Amen.

At Mass today we will be blessing chalk, this is then used to write the inscription over the entrance to the house. The three letters in the middle stand for the names tradition gives to the three wise men (Caspar, Melchior, Balthazar), and also for the Latin *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* (may Christ bless this house) with the numbers at the beginning and end being the year. Do take some chalk with you as you leave church today.

Blessings, Fr. Thomas.

Prayer Before Mass All welcome to the Lady chapel at Christ the King at 10.15am. Our next meeting will be on the last Sunday of the month, i.e January 26th.

Used stamps. Please hand in any use stamps over the Christmas period. They can be recycled and any money raised will go towards cancer research. There is a box at the back of Christ the King church.

Red Boxes (Missio): Thanks to Dina Green who has now emptied and counted the Red Boxes; £418 was raised. The empty boxes are now at the back of Christ the King church. Please collect your box and take it home. If you would like to support this worthwhile mission charity, please speak to one of the clergy.

Diocesan Directories for 2020 are available at the back of the church. They contain information about priests, deacons, parishes, convents, schools and Mass times in our diocese. Price: £5.

Lumen Christi group: for those teenagers in Years 9, 10 and 11 wishing to explore the faith and perhaps seek Confirmation. Applications for the Retreat must be handed in by 31st December. The first meeting (with parents) is on Friday 10th January at 7:30pm at St Agnes.

Pantomime: This year's performance is Robinson Crusoe - a great story with all the traditional gags and lots of sing-along songs to gladden every heart. Performances will be on Saturday 25th Jan at 7.00pm, Sunday 26th Jan at 3.00pm. Tickets: £5 adults, £2 children under 14, on sale this weekend after Mass at Christ the King and St Jo's. Also by calling Chris and Julia: 01323.507712.

Parish lunch. There will be a lunch after the 11.30 Mass on January 5th; please come along and celebrate the Epiphany and the New Year as a parish. Lunch will be provided - chicken, jacket potato, side salad: £1.50. (£5 per family) Tea and coffee available. There is a list at the back of the church to sign up so we know the numbers.

Justice & Peace Assembly: 'Still No Room at the Inn?" How can we respond to the homelessness crisis today? Sat. 25th January, at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley (DABCEC). Doors open 9.30 am. Free event. Introduced by Bishop Richard, with Speakers from Turning Tides, Homelink, Crawley Open House, Life Housing, Caritas Portsmouth, and more. Stalls and stands. Drinks provided – bring own cup/mug. Limited parking. Bookings at Rosie.Read@abdiocese.org.uk

Ecumenical Mental Health Project

Please see the poster at the back of the church which has information about various support groups in the diocese for people in any kind of emotional or mental health need. For further information contact: catherine.martindale@abdiocese.org.uk

Worth Abbey: Silent Retreat: 13th-16th January 2020 (Mon-Thurs)

£265 per person (Concession/unwaged £225). Take some time out post-Christmas and join, for a short while, the rhythm of prayer and reflection with the monastic community at Worth Abbey. Enjoy time and space to be still, refresh your spirit and explore your relationship with God in beautiful and peaceful surroundings. For further information, to request a booking form or to reserve your place, please contact us: Tel: 01342 710318

Parish Clergy: Fr.Neil Chatfield Tel. 01323 760048 or in an emergency 07718123304 priest.ctk@icloud.com

Fr. Thomas Mason Tel. 01323 760048 fr.thomas.mason@gmail.com

Rev'd Deacon Eugene Adams Tel. 07917276140 revdeacon@icloud.com

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://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.: £363.77 St Jo's: £175.43 Average Weekly Standing Order:

CTK: £180 St Jo's: £170

Mass Attendance : CTK. : 213 St Jo's :

Eucharistic Adoration St Joachim : Wed 9-10am

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

| | Feast of the Epiphany | Mass Intentions |
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| Saturday January 4th | Confessions : 9-10am (CTK) 10.00am. Christ the King | Mass |
| | 5.00pm Christ the King | Anne Hudson RIP |
| Sunday January 5th Feast of the Epiphany | 9.30am St Joachim | Ella Smitherman RIP |
| | 11.30am Christ the King | John Devlin RIP |
| | 4.00pm St Agnes | Divine Worship |
| Monday January 6th | 10.00am Christ the King | Cornelius Donovan RIP |
| | 7.30pm Our Lady of Ransom | Divine Worship |
| Tuesday January 7th St Raymond | No Mass today | |
| Wednesday January 8th | 9.00am St Joachim 10.00am. St Joachim | Exposition George Gracrie & family |
| Thursday January 9th | 7.00pm. Christ the King 8.00pm Christ the King | Exposition Divine Worship |
| Friday | 0.00pm Christ the King | Divine Worship |
| January 10th | 12noon Christ the King | Collette Thompson |
| Saturday January 11th | Confessions : 9-10.00am (CTK) | |
| | 5.00pm Christ the King | Mass |
| Sunday January 12th Baptism of the Lord | 9.30am St Joachim 11.30am Christ the King | Mass Mass |
| | 4.00pm St Agnes | Divine Worship |

We pray for:

Chris Gimmons, Don Wilkins,
Mary Bateman, Thelma Kemp,
Stuart McCarthy, 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, Charles El
Mawas, Jane Hollands, Kirina Blaty, Moira
Morrison

For the deceased. All recently dead, & for all our deceased relatives & friends

200 Club Supports the Sisters of Mercy in Kenya, and The Infant Jesus Sisters in Nigeria

December Winners
47 Corazon Felicitas (£50)
82 Eileen Neil (£50)
37 Eugene Adams (£25)
197 Marie Williams (£25)
65 Peggy Welsh (£25)

53. David Hellicar (£25)