

The Catholic Parish Christ the King & St Joachim

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate Corpus Christi, the body, soul and divinity of Christ present in the sacrament and reserved in our churches in the tabernacle.

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This solemnity reminds us of the physical presence of Christ within his Church. That physicality is profoundly important. However good a live streamed mass can be we are only too aware that there is an absence of being in the physical presence of our Saviour. We are reminded, if we needed to be, that there is a profound privilege and grace in physically receiving and consuming the body and blood of Christ.

Jesus in our gospel today makes it perfectly clear that it is in this action of receiving and consuming his body and blood that we are assured of salvation.

Matter matters. Otherwise there would have been no need for the incarnation, his death and resurrection or indeed our Lord's sacramental presence in his Church. It also thus tells us that our faith in no mere philosophy but one that is lived out in the flesh. What we believe and pray we seek to live out in our lives or we run the risk of the accusation of 'virtue signalling'.

It is in contemplation of our Lord in the sacrament and his work of salvation that provides meaning to the statement that 'Black Lives Matter' and indeed that ever life matters from conception to nature death.

Every blessing Fr Neil

LIVE- STREAMING FROM THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Bishop Richard's Podcast
<https://vimeo.com/413915450>

Live streaming of Mass in the Parish
Given the ongoing crisis the mass will be streamed live on Facebook 10.00am Monday to Friday, Saturday 5pm and Sunday 11.30am. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday you will find on the 'Christ The King with St Joachim, Eastbourne' page and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday on the 'Eastbourne Ordinariate' page.

Sunday at 11.30am will be streamed direct to the Eastbourne Ordinariate YouTube channel.

Live interactive material for Children provided by CAFOD each Sunday Morning 10am

[https://cafod.org.uk/Education/
Children-s-liturgy](https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy)

You have to register (just name and email address) then you get emailed a link to the live webinar. Webinar does need installing onto your browser or download the app for phones/tablets. This is all instructed once you receive the first link. But if it's your first session, I would recommend doing this in advance as not to miss the 10am start.

Church Opening for Private Prayer

From the Sunday the churches will be open for private prayer. We have a number of volunteers who have been generous in giving their time so that we can once again inhabit our churches and come before the Lord in his sacramental presence.

Mondays	10-12
Tuesdays	10-12
Wednesdays	10-12 (St Joachim's)
Thursdays	6 -8pm
Fridays	12 -5pm
Saturdays	9- 11am
Sundays	3- 5pm

It would be helpful to have a few more stewards available if you can spare some time. One of the priests will be around for each session and confession will be available by use of the confessional only.

A number of chairs have been removed to allow 2 metres distance between chairs. There will be separate entrance and exit doors and a one way system around the churches. Hand gel will be available.

Sunday 14th June Corpus Christi

We will set up between 3-5pm adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at CTK.

Zoom parish prayer meetings:

We will continue our Sunday morning prayers every Sunday at 10.30am and also we are going to have our Fridays chats including a short evening prayer, on Fridays at 7.00pm.

Meeting ID: 343 302 3105
Password: 340767

it is possible now to join by phone:
Dial from landline:
[0203 481 5240](tel:02034815240) United Kingdom

We pray for : Chris Gimmons, Don Wilkins, Mary Bateman, Thelma Kemp, Stuart McCarthy, Sheila Douds, Helena Sagnelia, Peter and Pauline 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, & Rose Swift.

For the deceased -who have died recently: Mary Bennett, Terry Maud, Rose Swift, Anne Smiley and for all our deceased relatives & friends.

Mass for the Sick and their Families, NHS Front-Line workers and those working in Social Care

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales recognise that this time of the COVID-19 pandemic is affecting every person in our countries. Those who are sick, and their families, are suffering many hardships of isolation from contact with those they love. Our front-line workers in hospitals and in care homes all over our lands are giving exceptional service to those who are vulnerable at this time.

In order to show a spiritual solidarity a Catholic Bishop will celebrate Mass in their Cathedral which will be live-streamed for people to join. This will take place every Thursday at 7.00pm

18th June Archbishop Bernard Longley
Birmingham Cathedral
25th June Bishop Alan Hopes
Norwich Cathedral
2nd July Archbishop John Wilson
Southwark Cathedral
9th July Bishop Tom Williams
Liverpool Cathedral

By visiting the Cathedral webpage, or the Bishops' Conference Webpage (cbcew.org.uk) links for the live-streaming of these Masses can be found.

An online petition for Churches to open for private prayer

<https://www.citizenngo.org/en-gb/rf/179408-open-our-churches-and-restore-worship?>

Sunday 14 June 2020

Corpus Christi - Solemnity

Readings at Mass

Collect

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First reading

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not become proud of heart. Do not forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 147:12-15,19-20

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

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Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates he has blessed the children within you. R

He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He

sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command. R

He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees. R

Second reading

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Sequence

*Behold the bread of angels, sent For pilgrims in their banishment, The bread for God's true children meant, That may not unto dogs be given: Oft in the olden types foreshowed; In Isaac on the altar bowed, And in the ancient paschal food, And in the manna sent from heaven.

*Come then, good shepherd, bread divine, Still show to us thy mercy sign; Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine; So may we see thy glories shine In fields of immortality;

*O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best, Our present food, our future rest, Come, make us each thy chosen guest, Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest With saints whose dwelling is with thee. Amen. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowd:
'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'
Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself

draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

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