

The Catholic Parish Christ the King & St Joachim

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

During these present times, many are finding life something of a struggle. Days merge into weeks, weeks into months and isolation is a great burden for many, leading to concerns about mental well-being for people of every age. The increasing use of computers – welcome in many ways – can lead to the risk of a more sedentary lifestyle, with all the problems this can bring. Perhaps some are feeling rather like Job in the first reading of this Sunday's Mass - "Lying in my bed I wonder, 'when will it be day?' Risen I think 'how slowly evening comes.'" Job is inflicted with sufferings and his life drags. He is experiencing a sense of pointlessness. It might be suggested that Job is depressed.

In varying degrees, everyone has such experiences along the way – and these present times of the pandemic heighten such experiences and can make them more common.

Reading on through the book of Job, we find that the one thing he will not do is deny the presence of God in his life. He comes through his sufferings, the loss of everything and everyone he holds dear, and finds newness of life.

In today's Gospel, Jesus, the Word made Flesh, is present in our moments of suffering. He cures Peter's mother-in-law and, heals the sick who are brought to him and casts out devils. The Lord is present to us in our own times of suffering and struggle. He never leaves us. He is always present – and in this reality we experience true hope.

Jesus also teaches us another lesson today – the foundation of our action as His disciples must grow out of prayer. The Lord Himself gives time to this. He is alone, in the silence of the time before dawn, in the presence of His Father. It is out of this time of prayer that the Lord's actions flow. Prayer leads us to a real sense of purpose and direction. Just as Jesus went from prayer to his mission of healing and preaching – so our prayer ensures that our own actions are directed aright and produce the fruit that the Holy Spirit prompts in us.

With every blessing, Bishop Richard



Invited. Lent 2021 – The Mission Begins.

The Diocesan Formation Team is hosting a mission for you this Lent. It will be the first of five seasons of mission, helping you to explore God's *Invitation* to live your life with him.

What is a mission? An opportunity for everyone in the parish to sit back and reflect on the content provided. Season one is a series of programmes that help us to understand exactly how much we are loved by God, and features guest speakers such as David Wells, Eleanor Oliver and David Beresford. You will then be able to join a virtual conversation to meet like minded

people and discuss what you have learnt. Visit www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited to find out more.

You, are Invited. is a Diocesan wide mission. Starts on the 22nd February.

Prayer is to the spirit what breathing is to the body - The Friday Zoom Parish Prayer meeting Takes place every first and last Friday of the month. In Lent the prayer group will meet every Friday beginning 19th February. Meeting ID 343 302 3105 Password 340767 you can join by phone by ringing 0203 051 2874

Sister Mary Rose has produced some resources for children to help reflect on the Sunday Readings. Here is the link : <https://you.be/md4ZiJFJbQg>

First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Everything is different this year. For those wishing to embark on the journey of faith through FHC and Confirmation should make attendance at mass, when we are allowed, a priority which reveals a true desire to follow the Lord.

Vocations Weekend - Online Event 26th - 28th February

For women exploring the vocation to religious life. There will be times of prayer, reflection, input and discussion as well as a Q&A session with FCJ Sisters (Faithful Companions of Jesus) More information: FCJCentreStHughs@gmail.com or follow us on Facebook

Financial matters: we can now make donations, either one-off or regular giving, using the diocesan website and the funds would then be transferred direct to the parish. This is quicker than setting up payments through the bank and the donations can be gift-aided as well. <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/donate/>

Peter Lloyd has sadly died from the COVID-19 virus. His funeral is planned for Thursday February 18th at 2.30pm at St Joachim's. At present numbers are limited to 30 people. Please pray for Eithne his wife and Stephen and Simon his sons and the wider family.

Prayers for peace : We pray for peace and a solution to the current conflicts in the Ethiopian region of Tigre and Myanmar (Burma).

Lenten Stations of the Cross : will take place each Friday after Adoration finishes at 5pm.

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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://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.

Eucharistic Adoration St Joachim :
Wed 9-10am (Suspended)

Christ the King :
Thursday : 6-7.00pm
Fri : 1.00pm-5.00pm
Sat : 9-11am

Open Cloister Worth Abbey

Christian-Muslim Friendship: 12th-14th February (online weekend retreat)

Led by Fr Martin McGee OSB (monk of Worth Abbey)

Finding Silence 2: The Prayer of Meditation (online day retreat)

Saturday 20th February – 9am-4:30pm

Led by Fr Peter Williams OSB (monk of Worth Abbey)

The Lent Journey: (online weekend retreat). 26th-28th February

Book online for all of the above : www.worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats.

	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Intentions
Saturday 6th February	CTK 11am Mass	Students at Coventry Univ
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	CTK 5pm vigil mass	Cynthia Bravin
Sunday 7th February	St Jo's 9.30am mass CTK 11.30am mass St Agnes 4.00pm mass	Peter Lloyd (RIP) Katie McDonagh (RIP) Pamela Chatfield
Monday 8th February St Josephine Bakhita	CTK 10am mass 7.00pm online mass Ordinariate Facebook page	Patients in the EDGH Deacon Eugene
Tuesday 9th February	CTK 7.30am mass (latin)	Fr Neil
Wednesday 10th February St Scholastica	St Jo's 10am mass	Davina & Baz
Thursday 11th February Our Lady of Lourdes	CTK 6pm Adoration 7pm mass (Divine Worship)	Naomi
Friday 12th February	CTK 12noon followed by adoration till 5pm	Glenn
Saturday 13th February	CTK Adoration and confession 9am-11am CTK 11am mass CTK 5pm mass	Staff/patients in ITU EDGH Madeleine Smith (RIP)
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 14th February	St Jo's 9.30am mass CTK 11.30 am mass St Agnes 4pm mass	A. Janka's family Maureen Kavanagh (RIP) Brian Hichisson (RIP)

We pray for: Dc Eugene Adams, Liam Green, Emma Raper, Eithne Lloyd, Peter Champion, Pam Chatfield, Sister f, John Walters, Chris Gimmons, Don Wilkins, Mary Bateman, Thelma Kemp, Stuart McCarthy, Helena Sagnelia, Pauline Sollis, Frankie Farrell, Daisy Kelly, Sue & Mick O'Driscoll, Eddie Burke, Rene Cook, Jan Blake, Sandra McMeekin, David Dwyer, Eileen Kehoe, Diana Smith, Pat Raper, Colleen Stock, Sr Mary Keiley, Jane Hollands, Kirina Blaty, & Moira Morrison.
For the recently deceased: Peter Lloyd, Sue Payne, Peaidade Payne & Billy (Lorraine) McKeen, Fr Giles Goward, Fr Martin Jakubas

200 Club

An updated draw has been made and the winners have cheques made out to them.

We would like to encourage those who have fallen out of the 200 club and any new members to join. The profits over the year goes to support

Led by Fr Peter Williams OSB. Book online : [worth.co.uk/retreats/online retreats](http://worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats).

Flyer attached

Places can be booked online at <https://worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats>