

The Catholic Parish Christ the King & St Joachim

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The churches were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit - Acts 9.31

Dear friends,

Every year in the weeks of Easter, the Church makes us read through Acts - a fascinating book giving the history of the very earliest days of the Church's life after Christ had ascended. Many of the things which we still take for granted about how the Church does things can be found there - including the vitally important matter that we're allowed to eat bacon.

But one fact which keeps being repeated through the book is the consolation and guidance of the Holy Spirit. The first Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended upon Our Lady and the Apostles, is in the second chapter - and thereafter he never departs from those Apostles and the increasing number of followers of Christ who gather around them. There were moments fraught with difficulties, and there were moments of calm and peace (both being included in our first reading today); but throughout all of this, the Holy Spirit was there with them guiding and giving consolation.

Indeed, the Holy Spirit still works throughout the Church bringing that same consolation. Now, as then, we have moments of calm and we have challenging moments - in both of these we should turn to the Holy Spirit, asking for his work in our lives, making sure that we have that same consolation - that same peace and comfort - which our fathers in the faith enjoyed. With the Holy Spirit at our sides, however big our problems seem to be, there is nothing which we cannot face safe and secure in the knowledge that God is with us.

Blessings,

Fr. Thomas.

May Devotions. At CTK, there will be May Devotions to Our Lady, including a decade of the rosary using the glorious mysteries. The prayers will start at 11am every Sunday in May. On Sunday the 30th of May, we will conclude mass with the the crowning of Our Lady in the memorial garden.

ONLINE RETREATS: The Open Cloister @ Worth Abbey:
Saturday 8th May: Wisdom of the Desert Fathers and Desert Mothers: the thoughts..
Led by Fr Peter Williams OSB
Further information and to book your place online: <https://worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats>
For enquiries, please email: toc@worth.org.uk

'Prayer is to the spirit what breathing is to the body' - The Friday Zoom Parish Prayer meeting : the prayer group will meet next on May 7th, May 28th, June 4th, June 25th, at 7.00pm. All welcome.
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. Link : <https://youtu.be/GjMJJaPmDH8>

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.

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/>

10-16th May is Marriage week, a time for us to celebrate the blessings of marriage. Pope Francis tells us that "Marriage is like a plant. A plant is alive, and it needs to be cared for every day." Why not take some time this week to find some time to talk to your spouse and nurture your marriage?

Calling all parents and those supporting families on the adventure of faith! 'The Colour and Shape Online Community' is a new way to support children on their own faith journey. But it's not just for parents! It's for all those supporting families : grandparents, teachers, clergy. On May 4th, we will be starting 'The Prayer Course' (an eight week journey through the Lord's Prayer.) See www.colourandshapeonline.com to find out more about the community and to sign up. It's free and we can't wait to meet you!

Fr Thomas leaves us at the end of May. If you would like to offer a token of thanks to him for his ministry over the past 3 years, there are envelopes at the back of the church.

Pope Francis has asked us to join him in praying the Rosary each day at 5pm during May, for the end of the Covid-19 pandemic. We can join him daily on 'Vatican News'. On Friday at CTK at 5pm, the Rosary will be recited at the end of Adoration.

Flowers during May : thanks to those who donated the cost of flowers at CTK for this weekend.

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Sacramental Confession on Friday 1-5pm, Saturday 9-11am 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

Fifth Sunday of Easter		Mass Intentions
Saturday May 1st St Joseph the Worker	11am Mass	Davis & Sheeba families
	CTK 5.00pm	Sylvia Seelagama RIP
Sunday May 2nd 5th Sunday of Easter	St Jo's 9.30am mass CTK 11.30am mass	Douglas Weidemann RIP Terence & Margaret Carmody RIP Maria McCabe
	CTK 4.00pm mass	
Monday May 3rd Ss Philip & James	CTK 10am mass	Holy Souls
	7.00pm Live streamed Mass on the Eastbourne Ordinariate Facebook page	Sara McNaughton RIP
Tuesday May 4th English Martyrs	7.30 am CTK (Latin Mass)	Matthew Ward
Wednesday May 5th	10.00am Mass : St Jo's	A. Janka's family
Thursday May 6th	6.00pm CTK. Exposition and adoration followed by 7.00pm Mass	Russell de la Motte
Friday May 7th	12 noon Mass CTK Followed by Exposition and Adoration till 5.00pm Rosary.	Pope Francis
Saturday May 8th	9.00am : CTK - Exposition and Adoration till 11am Mass	Pope Francis
	5pm Mass CTK	George Redmond RIP
Sunday May 9th 6th Sunday of Easter	St Jo's 9.30am mass	Sieyes, Hutchison & Mawas families (in thanks) Roy Wise RIP
	CTK 11.30am mass CTK 4pm mass (Divine Worship)	Brenda Fox & Alan Putland RIP

We pray for: Emma Raper, Eithne Lloyd, Peter Champion, Pam Chatfield, Sister f, Chris Gimmons, Don Wilkins, 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, Colleen Stock, Sr Mary Keiley, Jane Hollands, Kirina Blaty, Moira Morrison, Philip Duffy, Maria Socora Franca, Alison Hodder

For the recently deceased: George Redmond, Peaidade Payne & Billy (Lorraine) McKeen, Richard Stanczack, Sarah Philomena Wroclawski, Mary Bateman, Pat Raper, Charlotte Van Der Horst, Fausto Ambrosia, Anita Hammond

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 charities.