

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

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Dr Scott Hahn writes on Love Commanded.

Jesus came not to abolish the Old Testament law but to fulfil it (see Matthew 5:17).

And in this Sunday's Gospel, He reveals that love—of God and of neighbour—is the fulfilment of the whole of the law (see Romans 13:8–10).

Devout Israelites were to keep all 613 commands found in the Bible's first five books. Jesus says that all these, and all the teachings of the prophets, can be summarized by two verses of this law (see Deuteronomy 6:5; Leviticus 19:18).

He seems to summarize the two stone tablets on which God was said to have engraved the ten commandments (see Exodus 32:15–16). The first tablet set out three laws concerning the love of God—such as the command not to take His name in vain; the second contained seven commands regarding love of neighbour, such as those against stealing and adultery. Love is the hinge that binds the two tablets of the law. For we can't love God, whom we can't see, if we don't love our neighbour, whom we can (see 1 John 4:20–22).

But this love we are called to is far more than simple affection or warm sentiment. We must give ourselves totally to God—loving with our whole beings, with all our heart, soul and mind. Our love for our neighbour must express itself in concrete actions, such as those set out in Sunday's First Reading.

We love because He first loved us (see 1 John 4:19). As we sing in Sunday's Psalm, He has been our deliverer, our strength when we could not possibly defend ourselves against the enemies of sin and death.

We love in thanksgiving for our salvation. And in this become imitators of Jesus, as Paul tells us in Sunday's Epistle—laying down our lives daily in ways large and small, seen and unseen; our lives offered as a continual sacrifice of praise (see John 15:12–13; Hebrews 13:15).



Bishop Stephen was consecrated and enthroned as Bishop of Arundel & Brighton at the Cathedral of Our Lady and St Philip Howard, Arundel, last Monday.

At the heart of a bishop's ministry is service, responsibility and care for God's people. As space in Arundel Cathedral is very limited, attendance at the Mass was by invitation only. If you didn't get to go, or to see it by watching the cathedral's livestream, it's still available online via abdiocese.org.uk/livestream. Yesterday (Saturday)'s Mass from Worth Abbey should still be available too, at youtu.be/ChpG5NwGDtY.

As we welcome Bishop Stephen, let us give thanks for his vocation and for the ministry he is beginning among us. Let us pray for him, for our priests, deacons, religious and lay faithful, and for the whole diocese. May we be united in faith, hope and love as we seek together to proclaim the Gospel and build God's Kingdom.

O God, eternal and loving Shepherd, we bless and thank you for the appointment of your

servant, Stephen, to the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton. May your Holy Spirit grace him with a spirit of counsel and fortitude, a spirit of knowledge and piety, so that he may gently and courageously sanctify, teach and govern the Church of Arundel and Brighton as we work together to build up the kingdom of heaven. May he be a shepherd after your own heart, who, with compassion and wise discernment, will care for and lead your people with the joy of the Gospel; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Children's Liturgy started at the 11:30 Mass at CTK at the end of last month, and it's also offered today. After today, dates for the rest of the year are: Sunday 29 November and Sunday 27 December. **Please complete a short form at the back of the church if you wish your child to take part.** We are hoping to increase this provision to every other week in January, but to do that we need more volunteers. Please speak to Fr Neil if you feel able to help.

All Saints' Celebration: Saturday 31 October 6:30pm after the Vigil Mass. Fireworks and fun for all the family! Free. Children can dress as their favourite saint and there will be a short children's liturgy. Please bring some food to share.

Fireworks Night at St Thomas à Becket School: Friday 6 November — gates open 5:15pm for the fireworks from 7:15. Tickets £7 on the gate or £5 in advance. Full details on the poster at the back of the church.

Young Adults' Retreat Day: Hosted by the diocese at St Richard of Chichester Church, Chichester on Saturday 7 November, 10am–6pm. £20 which includes lunch and refreshments; sign up via the diocesan website at abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/finkvrb9.

CTK Seniors next meet on Wednesday 11 November 11:30am–1:30 in the parish room. A small lunch will be provided. If you are attending the Christmas meal at the Marine on Wednesday 9 December, please bring the £10 balance for the meal. Thank you.

Pilgrims' Thanksgiving Mass: Saturday 14 November, 10:30am, giving thanks for the blessing that was the pilgrimage to Poland in September. It will be followed by some refreshments in the parish hall and a slideshow of the photos and reflections. Everyone is warmly welcome.

Men of St Joseph next meet at CTK on Tuesday 17 November at 7pm. This is for men seeking to grow in faith, prayer, friendship, and service; encouraging one another, learning from the example of St Joseph, and supporting one another in living the vocation of Christian men.

Catholic Women's League Christmas Tree of Giving: Again this year, there will be an opportunity to buy a gift for a child at Christmas. You can pick a bauble with some information about a child and a gift idea from the Christmas tree in the Lady Chapel at CTK from Saturday 14 November. Gifts will be distributed by the charity ***Warming Up the Homeless,*** who help children and families in temporary accommodation. Bring your gift and place it under the tree by Sunday 13 December.

Rorate Masses are to be held again at OLR on Fridays 4–18 December, 6:30am. If you would like to help with singing, please see Andrew (andrew.leach@eastbourneordinariate.org.uk); if you can help with refreshments/breakfast after Mass, please contact Marylou on marylou.joyofmusic@gmail.com.

200 Club: The numbers for the 200 Club were drawn recently. The winners are: 1st, 170 (Parish number); 2nd, 40 £75 Emma Encinas Steel; 3rd, 52 (Parish number). Congratulations to our winner this month. If you would like to join this excellent parish fundraising activity, there are forms at the back of the church.

Church cleaning rota: the new rota for those who clean the church at CTK is available at the back of the church. We are looking for more volunteers to help: currently it is once every six weeks; more volunteers will help us spread the load. Weekly cleaning takes about an hour.

Notices for this leaflet or other churches' leaflets should be sent to Dominic via the parish's new email address of eastbournectk@abdiocese.org.uk, clearly

marked in the subject line as notices for publication. Please allow a couple of weeks for your information to appear.

You can sign up to receive news from the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton. Go to https://tinyurl.com/ABnewslist or point your smartphone at the QR code here.

You can sign up to receive news from the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham by visiting their website at ordinariate.org.uk: enter your email about halfway down the page. Use the QR code here to get there. This month's newsletter email focuses on the 2026 Ordinariate Festival, *Beauty, Truth and Goodness,* which was held at CTK ten days ago.

Votive Candles: Would you like to sponsor a candle for a personal intention or a special need? Request forms for candles or Masses are available. This week candles burn for Luke Roarty RIP and the Obikwelu family.

We pray for all the sick of the parish, and especially: Eithne Lloyd, Stuart McCarthy, Marie Williams, Maria P Veras, Sylvia Brady, Alexandra Waters, Neidilane Emerch, Rose Hellyer, Graham Pegley, Serena May, Enogue G Peixoto, Freda Swales, Vicky Ferrera, Sheila Hichisson, Sharon McKechnie, John Brady, Eddy Cobb and baby Autumn.

And we pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful recently departed, particularly Zofia Davitt RIP and Phyllis Willmoth RIP.

Pope Leo's prayer intention for October is for mental health ministry, praying that it be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

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For enquiries about baptism, first communion, confirmation, and marriages please speak to Fr Neil or Deacon Neil; also ring the office on 01323 760048.

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Image: The Trinity (the Hospitality of Abraham)
Andrei Rublev (–1430), c.1420
Trinity Lavra of St Sergius, Sergiyev Posad (Moscow Oblast), Russia

Parish of Christ the King Langney with St Joachim Hampden Park

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Week of the Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

(Week 30) (Year A) (Year II)

Day			*Location**	*Intention*
Sunday 25 October **Trinity XXI** SUNDAY 30	Vigil Mass NO Mass NO Rosary Sung Mass DW	5:00 pm 9:30 am 10:45 am 11:30 am	CTK St Jo CTK CTK	As announced For our Community As announced
Monday 26 October *SS Chad and Cedd BB*	Private Mass			Sonia de la Motte
Tuesday 27 October *Feria*	Requiem Mass NO	12:00 noon	CTK	Zofia Davitt RIP
Wednesday 28 October **SS Simon & Jude App**	Mass NO	10:00 am	St Jo	Special intention
Thursday 29 October *Feria*	Holy Hour; confessions Private Mass	5:30 pm	CTK	 Roman Rudko RIP
Friday 30 October *Feria*	Mass NO	10:00 am	CTK	Anene Obikwelu RIP
Saturday 31 October *All Hallows' Eve*	Exposition; confessions Vigil Mass of All Saints NO All Saints' Celebration	4:00 pm 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	CTK CTK CTK	 David Rhys RIP
Sunday 1 November **All Saints**	Mass NO Exposition Sung Mass DW	9:30 am 10:30 am 11:30 am	St Jo CTK CTK	For our Community Amanda and Simon

Confessions are usually heard at Christ the King Church 6:15–6:50pm on Thursdays; for an hour after Mass on Fridays; 4:00–4:45pm on Saturdays; and on request or by arrangement.

Blessing of Graves: Saturday 7 November at Langney Cemetery BN23 8AE, 11:30am.

Sunday 8 November is Remembrance Sunday and the principal Mass at 11:30 at CTK will be a Requiem Mass for all those fallen in conflict, preceded by an Act of Remembrance and the Silence.

DW Divine Worship (2014)
NO Novus Ordo (2010)
SM Syro-Malabar Rite (2021)
TLM Traditional Latin Mass (1962), when available

* **CTK** Christ the King Church, 3 Princes Rd BN23 6HT
St Jo St Joachim's Church, 106 Brodrick Rd BN22 9NY
OLR Our Lady of Ransom Church, 2 Grange Rd BN21 4EU
Crem Eastbourne Crematorium, Hide Hollow BN23 8AE
‡ In the Parish room: enter by the side door

This parish is part of
The Catholic Deanery of Eastbourne and St Leonards
working towards implementing the Pastoral Plan

Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. Isaiah 43:5