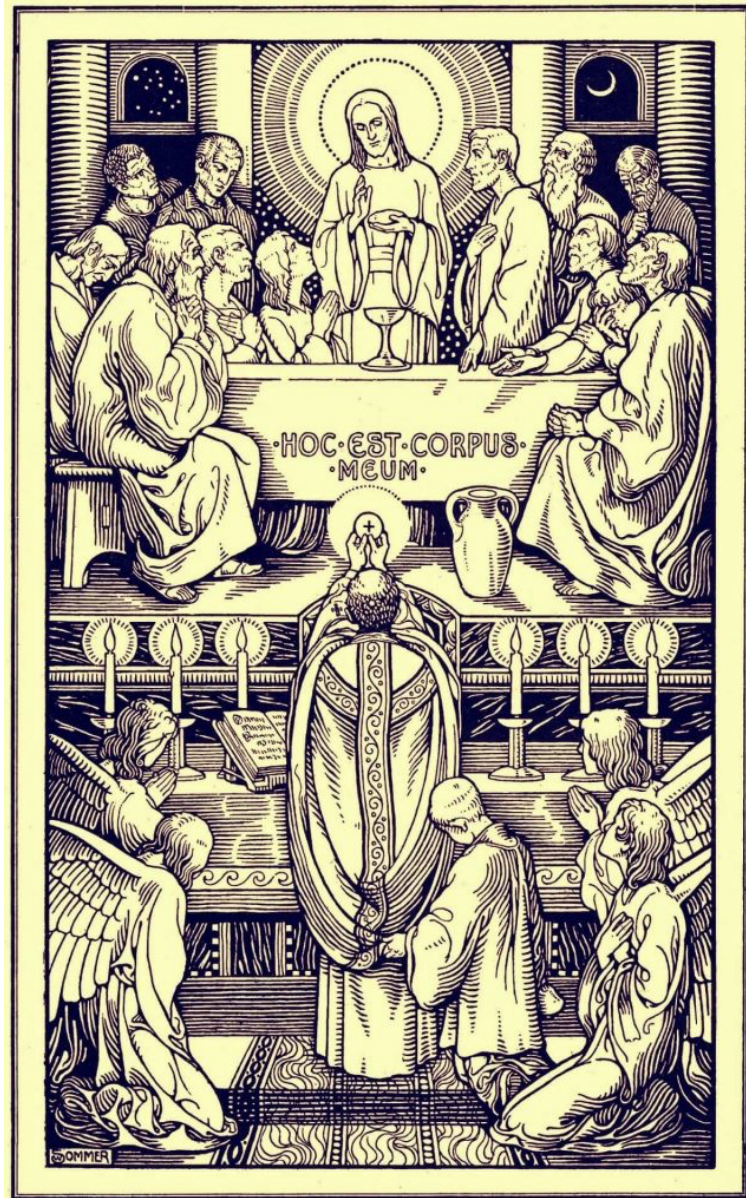




Christ Church

St Leonards on Sea



The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sung Mass

4th October

1030am

Welcome to Christ Church!

Whoever you are and wherever you are from, know you are very welcome to join us for our worship this morning.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration on the Altar from 10am, during which time we also offer Morning Prayer.

All are welcome to join, using the books or booklets at the back of church.

Please remember to be reverent & keep silence when Our Lord is exposed on the altar and not to disrespect Him.

After the Mass, please join us for refreshments at the back of church.

Children & families

Children and families are very welcome here: there is a 'Children's Chapel' space with books and toys in the South Aisle, for young children and their parents to use at any point during Mass. Toilets are available at the back of church and in the crypt, accessed via the stairs at the end of the South Aisle.

During the Mass

'Talk to God before Mass, and each other afterwards!'

Please follow the directions to *sit, stand or kneel in italics* and join with the words in bold. Please remember that people are trying to pray before Mass, so keep silence as much as possible and don't disturb those at prayer.

Please also remember that the time after receiving Holy Communion is for quiet prayer and contemplation – not to have conversations.

Holy Communion

At the Giving of Holy Communion, if you are confirmed and wish to receive the Sacrament, please come forward to receive Communion via the main aisle following the directions of the stewards.

Everyone is very welcome to come forward for a blessing: if you would like one, please bow your head.

Holy Communion is offered at the communion rail in both forms. Please kneel, unless you are unable. The Host is received on the tongue, (or if preferred on the hands). If you wish to receive from the Chalice, please assist the Eucharistic Ministers by guiding the Chalice towards your lips and not bowing your head forward.

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Please stand when the bell rings for the entrance of the sanctuary party

Entrance Hymn

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art,
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

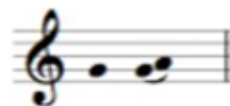
Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,
Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Be thou my inheritance now and always,
Be thou and thou only the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won,
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

The Greeting

In the name of the Father ✠ and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit
The Lord be with you.



A-men.



And also with you.

*The Mass then continues with **The Penitential Rite** as the Priest invites us to prepare to confess to God with the Collect for purity:*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

The Priest invites us to consider our sins in silence, before we confess them to the Lord saying:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against thee and against our neighbour, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve thee in newness of life to the glory of thy name. Amen.

The Priest pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you,  pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*The Choir lead the **Kyrie***

Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy,

*The Choir lead **The Gloria***



[Organ]

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.



Glo-ry to God in the High-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,



Hea'vn-ly King, Al-mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo-ry. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the



High-est. Lord, Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther. Lord God



Lamb of God you take a way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; You are



sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God,



Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly one,



You a - lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the most high, Je-sus Christ,



with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the Glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.



Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.

*The Priest sings the **Collect**:*

Almighty ever-living God,
who in the abundance of your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you,
pour out your mercy upon us
to pardon what conscience dreads
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Isaiah 5.1-7 Philippians 4.6-9 Matthew 21.33-43

Please sit for the readings

First Reading A reading from the Prophet Isaiah
This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalms 80 vv9-12 R/ Show the light of your countenance, O Lord God of hosts, and we shall be saved

- 9 You brought a vine out of Egypt; •
you drove out the nations and planted it.
10 You made room around it, •
and when it had taken root, it filled the land.
11 The hills were covered with its shadow •
and the cedars of God by its boughs.
12 It stretched out its branches to the Sea •
and its tendrils to the River.

Second Reading A reading from the Letter to the Philippians
This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

I chose you from the world to go out and bear fruit, fruit that will last,
says the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Please turn to face the Gospel, proclaimed from the midst of the people

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel (✠) of Our Lord Jesus Christ (✠) according to St Matthew
(✠) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Please sit for the **Homily** - The homily is followed by a time of silent reflection.

The Creed – please stand.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
(all bow)

*was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please remain standing for the **Intercessions**

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

As we pray for the dead: Rest eternal, grant unto them O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

After the final petition we entrust all our prayer and petitions to the unceasing prayers of the Saints in heaven, especially to the Blessed Virgin Mary who we greet saying: **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

The Priest concludes the prayer, and all respond: **Amen**

The Peace

The Priest introduces the peace, then shares it with the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All share a sign of peace with those near them

Please then sit for the offertory hymn as bread and wine are brought forward for the preparation of the altar, as we sing the Offertory Hymn.

During this hymn a collection is taken towards the costs of Christ Church's ministries – if you don't have cash, there is a contactless reader by the entrance or you can donate online here:

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THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand when the congregation is censed by the thurifer.

Offertory Hymn

1. My God, accept my heart this
day
And make it always thine,
That I from thee no more may
stray,
No more from thee decline.

2. Before the cross of him who
died,
Behold, I prostrate fall;
Let every sin be crucified,
And Christ be all in all.

3. Anoint me with thy heavenly
grace,
And seal me for thine own,
That I may run this earthly race
In thy strong might alone.

4. Let every thought and work
and word
To thee be ever given,
Then life shall be thy service,
Lord,
And death the gate of heaven.

5. The vision of thy glory there
Shall be my hope and song,
That where thou dost a place prepare,
I may at length belong.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God our almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

The Priest offers the Prayer over the Gifts, and all respond. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you And also with you
Lift up your hearts We lift them up to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give Him thanks and praise

*The Priest continues with the Opening (Preface) of the Prayer of Thanksgiving at the end of which the choir leads the **Sanctus***

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel as the Priest continues the Prayer of Thanksgiving.

He first invokes the Holy Spirit to sanctify the offerings of bread and wine.

He then recalls the Lord's actions the night before he died.

A bell is rung as the Priest elevates the consecrated Host and Chalice.

He then says:

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

At the end, all respond:



A-men.

Please remain kneeling for The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

As the Priest breaks the bread, he says:

We break this bread, to share in the Body of Christ

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

The choir lead the Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Please remain kneeling as the Priest shows the Body of Christ

Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Before coming forward to receive Holy Communion, all pray together:

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

As the Priest receives Holy Communion, a bell is rung & the people begin to come forward. If you are confirmed and wish to receive Holy Communion, please come forward via the main aisle, following the directions of the stewards.

*All are welcome to come forward for a blessing:
if you would like one, please bow your head.*

Holy Communion is offered in both forms at the Communion Rail. Please kneel, unless you are unable. The Host is received on the tongue (or, if preferred, on the hands.) If you don't wish to receive from the Chalice, you can return to your seat after receiving the Host.

Intinction (dipping the Host in the Chalice) is not permitted.

*During the receiving of Holy Communion, the Choir sing an **Anthem***
I am the true vine – Peter Aston

*All then join in the **Communion Hymn***

**1. O for a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!**

**2. Return, O holy Dove, return,
Sweet messenger of rest:
I hate the sins that made thee
mourn,
And drove thee from my
breast.**

**3. The dearest idol I have
known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from thy
throne,
And worship only thee.**

**4. So shall my walk be close with
God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the
road
That leads me to the Lamb.**

*As the Sacred Vessels are cleansed, all give thanks together with the
Prayer of Thanksgiving after Holy Communion:*

**Almighty God, we thank thee for feeding us with the body and blood
of thy Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer thee our souls and
bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of thy Spirit to
live and work to thy praise and glory. Amen.**

Please stand for the Priest to sing the **Prayer after Communion**

Grant us, almighty God,
that we may be refreshed and nourished
by the Sacrament which we have received,
so as to be transformed into what we consume.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Please remain standing for **The Blessing and Dismissal**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you**

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

The Mass is ended, let us go in the peace of Christ! **Thanks be to God!**

As the Sanctuary party departs, all sing the **Recessional Hymn**

1. We have a gospel to proclaim,
 Good news for men in all the
earth,
The gospel of a Saviour's name:
 We sing his glory, tell his
worth.

2. Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,
 Not in a royal house or hall,
But in a stable dark and dim:
 The Word made flesh, a light
for all.

3. Tell of his death at Calvary,
 Hated by those he came to save,
In lonely suffering on the Cross:
 For all he loved, his life he gave.

4. Tell of that glorious Easter
morn,
 Empty the tomb, for he was
free:
He broke the power of death and
hell
 That we might share his victory.

5. Tell of his reign at God's right hand,

By all creation glorified:
He sends his Spirit on his Church,

To live for him, the Lamb who died.

6. Now we rejoice to name him King:

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel message we proclaim;

We sing his glory, tell his worth.

As the procession approaches the Image of Our Lady, all turn to focus on the Blessed Virgin as the Priest leads the singing of the Angelus

The angel of the Lord brought glad tidings to Mary
And she conceived by the Holy Ghost

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Behold the handmaid of the Lord Be it unto me according to thy word
Hail Mary...

And the Word was made flesh And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary....

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God

That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ

The Priest sings the collect, and all respond Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Please join us after the Mass for refreshments at the back
of church