

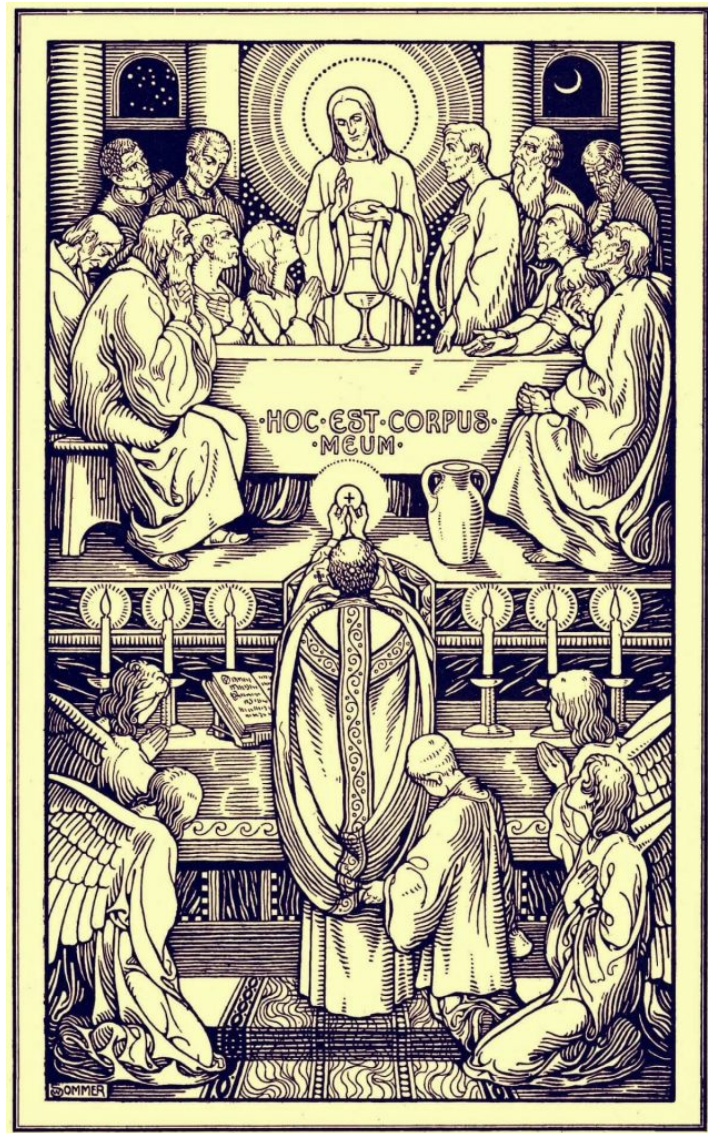
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Christ Church

St Leonards on Sea



The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

The 15th in Ordinary Time

Sung Mass

with Sunday School

13th July

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

We are pleased this morning to host the commissioning of one of our Christ Church family, Linda Astell, as a Street Pastor at the end of today's Mass. We offer Linda every prayer and blessing in this ministry.

Children & families

Children and families are very welcome here: our Sunday School meets at the back of Church and there is also 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 sidesmen.

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)

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

Introit Hymn

1 How sweet the name of Jesus
sounds

In a believer's ear!

It soothes his sorrows, heals his
wounds,

And drives away his fear.

2 It makes the wounded spirit
whole,

And calms the troubled breast;

'Tis manna to the hungry soul,

And to the weary rest.

3 Dear name! the rock on which I
build,

My shield and hiding-place,

My never-failing treasury filled

With boundless stores of grace.

4 Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother,
Friend,

My Prophet, Priest, and King,

My Lord, my Life, my Way, my

End,

Accept the praise I bring.

5 Weak is the effort of my heart,

and cold my warmest thought;

but when I see thee as thou art,

I'll praise thee as I ought.

6 Till then I would thy love
proclaim

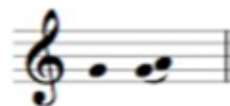
With every fleeting breath;

And may the music of thy name

Refresh my soul in death.

The Greeting

In the name of the Father ✠ and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit



A-men.

The Lord be with you.



And also with you.

The Priest introduces the Mass, and the children of the parish come forward to receive their bible and blessing, and the items to prepare their altar.

The Mass then continues with **The Penitential Rite**

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 **Kyrie Eleison**
Christe Eleison **Christe Eleison**
Kyrie Eleison **Kyrie Eleison**

Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy**
Christ have mercy, **Christ have**
mercy
Lord 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.

Music: Mass of St Thomas by David Thorne

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

O God, who show the light of your truth
to those who go astray,
so that they may return to the right path,
give all who for the faith they profess
are accounted Christians
the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ
and to strive after all that does it honour.
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

Deuteronomy 30.10-14; Colossians 1.15-20; Luke 10.25-37

Please sit for the readings

First Reading A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 82 R/ Arise, O God and judge the earth

1 God has taken his stand in the council of heaven; in the midst of the gods he gives judgement:

2 'How long will you judge unjustly and show such favour to the wicked?

3 'You were to judge the weak and the orphan; defend the right of the humble and needy;

4 'Rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

5 'They have no knowledge or wisdom; they walk on still in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

6 'Therefore I say that though you are gods and all of you children of the Most High,

7 'Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals and fall like one of their princes.'

8 Arise, O God and judge the earth, for it is you that shall take all nations for your possession.

Second Reading A reading from the Letter to the Colossians

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! 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 Luke (✠)
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.

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 THE Lord will come and not be
slow,
His footsteps cannot err;
Before him righteousness shall
go,
His royal harbinger.

3 Rise, God, judge thou the earth
in might,
This wicked earth redress;
For thou art he who shalt by
right
The nations all possess.

2 Truth from the earth, like to a
flower,
Shall bud and blossom then;
And justice from her heavenly
bower,
Look down on mortal men.

4 The nations all whom thou hast
made
Shall come, and all shall frame
To bow them low before thee,
Lord,
And glorify thy name

5 For great thou art, and wonders great
By thy strong hand are done:
Thou in thy everlasting seat
Remainest God alone.

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.

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.

As the bread is broken, 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 remaining 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 - Hurford

All then join in the Communion Hymn

**1 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost,
Taught by thee, we covet most
Of thy gifts at Pentecost,
Holy, heavenly love.**

**2 Love is kind, and suffers long,
Love is meek, and thinks no
wrong,
Love than death itself more strong;
Therefore give us love.**

**3 Prophecy will fade away,
Melting in the light of day;
Love will ever with us stay;
Therefore give us love.**

**4 Faith will vanish into sight;
Hope be emptied in delight;
Love in heaven will shine more
bright;
Therefore give us love.**

**5 Faith and hope and love we see
Joining hand in hand agree;
But the greatest of the three,
And the best, is love.**

**6 From the overshadowing
Of thy gold and silver wing
Shed on us, who to thee sing,
Holy, heavenly love.**

*When the Sacred Vessels are cleansed in the Lady Chapel, 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**

Having consumed these gifts, we pray, O Lord,
that, by our participation in this mystery,
its saving effects upon us may grow.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Please sit **for the Notices &
The Commissioning of Linda Astell as a Street Pastor**

Street Pastors are called to show the love of Jesus to those whom they meet. They are called to be a listening ear, a practical help, a ready friend and a prayerful presence on the streets of Hastings. Street Pastors are called to be open and approachable, and to take responsibility as citizens of integrity to make our streets a better and a safer place to be. You are called to this ministry and have been trained for it. You will need to rely on the power and sensitivity of God's Spirit; his quiet guidance and his desire to bring glory to Jesus in everything you do.

Q: Will you commit yourself to a Christian lifestyle of integrity, depending on the Holy Spirit to strengthen you?

A: With God's help, I will.

Q: Will you show Jesus' love and care to everyone, without regard to class, colour or creed?

A: With God's help, I will

Q: Will you walk the streets as a public, prayerful presence representing Jesus and his Church to all you meet?

A: With God's help, I will

Q: Will you work constructively with the police, the local authorities and other agencies involved in serving the night-time economy of Hastings?

A: With God's help, I will

Q: Will you exercise this ministry under the authority of the Street Pastors Initiative and remain accountable to God through it for all you do as a Street Pastor?

A: With God's help, I will

*You have made these promises before God and this congregation and so I commission you as a Street Pastor. May God grant you the grace to fulfil what you have promised, guide you with the power of his Holy Spirit and minister the love of Christ through you to all whom you meet. In the name of Jesus, we pray,
Amen.*

Please stand 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 Ye that know the Lord is
gracious,
ye for whom a corner-stone
stands, of God elect and
precious,
laid that ye may build thereon,
see that on that sure foundation
ye a living temple raise,
towers that may tell forth
salvation,
walls that may re-echo praise.

2 Living stones, by God
appointed
each to his allotted place,
kings and priests, by God
anointed,
shall ye not declare his grace?
Ye, a royal generation,
tell the tidings of your birth,
tidings of a new creation
to an old and weary earth.

3 Tell the praise of him who called you
out of darkness into light,
broke the fetters that enthralled you,
gave you freedom, peace and sight:
tell the tale of sins forgiven,
strength renewed and hope restored,
till the earth, in tune with heaven,
praise and magnify the Lord.

*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

Join us for our Patronal Festival to celebrate the
FEAST OF ST MARY MAGDALEN
CO-PATRON OF CHRIST CHURCH

Saturday 19th July 6pm - Low Vigil Mass (Latin)
in the Chapel of St Mary Magdalen

SUNDAY 20TH JULY

8am - Low Mass
in the Chapel of St Mary Magdalen

1030AM
SUNG MASS

followed by a
'Bring & Share' Lunch
in the courtyard

All Welcome!



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