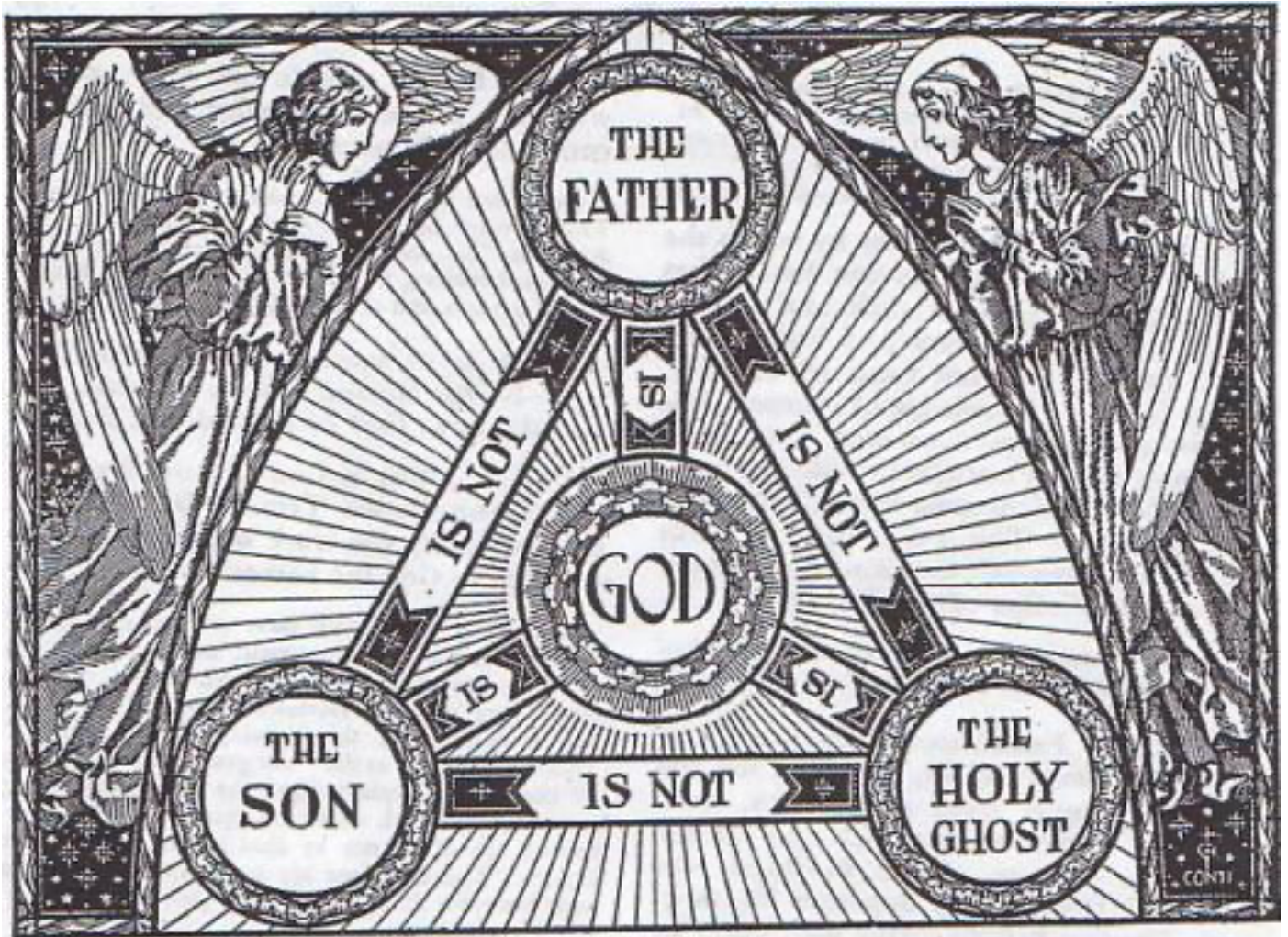




# Christ Church

St Leonards on Sea



## The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Sung Mass

*with Sunday School*

31<sup>st</sup> May

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 booklets at the back of church. Please remember to be reverent 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: 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 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

### 1. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

### 2. Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and Seraphim falling down before thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

### 3. Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee,

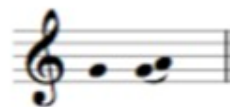
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

### 4. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

## 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** 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:*

God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty.

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

*Exodus 34.4-6, 8-9    II Corinthians 13.11-14    John 3.16-18*

*Please sit for the readings*

**First Reading** A reading from the Book of Exodus

This is the word of the Lord    **Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 8 R/ Above the heavens your majesty be praised**

1 O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!

2 Your majesty above the heavens is praised out of the mouths of babes at the breast.

3 You have founded a stronghold against your foes, that you might still the enemy and the avenger.

4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have ordained,

5 What is man, that you should be mindful of him; the son of man, that you should seek him out?

6 You have made him little lower than the angels and crown him with glory and honour.

7 You have given him dominion over the works of your hands and put all things under his feet,

8 All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.

10 O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!

**Second Reading** A reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians

This is the word of the Lord    **Thanks be to God**

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is, who was, and is to come! **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 John (✠)

**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 How shall I sing that majesty  
Which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand  
around  
Thy throne, O God most high;  
Ten thousand times ten  
thousand sound  
Thy praise; but who am I?

2 Thy brightness unto them  
appears,  
Whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
A sound of God comes to my  
ears,  
But they behold thy face.  
They sing because thou art their  
Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
For where heaven is but once  
begun

There alleluyas be

3 Enlighten with faith's light my  
heart,  
Inflame it with love's fire;  
Then shall I sing and bear a part  
With that celestial choir.  
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,  
With all my fire and light;  
Yet when thou dost accept their  
gold,  
Lord, treasure up my mite.

4 How great a being, Lord, is  
thine,  
Which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
To sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore,  
A sun without a sphere;  
Thy time is now and evermore,  
Thy place is everywhere.

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.*



*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 sin of the world, have mercy on us.*

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

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin 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**  
O Trinity, most blessed light - Turner*

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

**1. May the grace of Christ our  
Saviour,  
And the Father's boundless love,  
With the Holy Spirit's favour,  
Rest upon us from above.**

**2. Thus may we abide in union  
With each other and the Lord,  
And possess in sweet communion,  
Joys which earth cannot afford.**

**3. To the God whose wisdom made us,  
To the Son who set us free,  
To the sanctifying Spirit,  
Glory, endless glory, be! Amen.**

*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***

May receiving this Sacrament, O Lord our God, bring us health of body and soul, as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and undivided Unity. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Please sit for the **Notices**

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!**

Please remain standing to pray *Day Five of the Novena for Corpus Christi*  
(SEPARATE BOOKLET)

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

**1. To God be the glory, great things He hath done,  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life our redemption to win,  
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,*

*Let the earth hear His voice;*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,*

*Let the people rejoice;*

*Oh, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,*

*And give Him the glory; great things He hath done.*

**2 Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To every believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.**

*Praise the Lord...*

**3 Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see.  
*Praise 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**

**Please join us after the Mass for refreshments.**

*Make sure to take a copy of the 'Week Ahead' booklet which gives details of the  
times of worship this week at Christ Church, as well as upcoming events.*

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF

# CORPUS CHRISTI

# Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June

1030am  
Low Mass

7PM

**SUNG MASS &  
BENEDICTION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

*followed by drinks at the Nags Head*

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