



Sunday 13th October 2024

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

You are most welcome.

A message to new visitors is found on page 4.
Our 10:30am order of service begins on page 5.

8:00am Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*)

Celebrant: The Reverend Howard Pashley

10:30am Parish Eucharist (*Common Worship*)

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Preacher: The Reverend Howard Pashley

Setting: 'A People's Mass', *Dom Gregory Murray*
with 'The Coventry Gloria', *Peter Jones*

Hymns: 407, 234, 433 (omit *), 'To God be the Glory'

Music at Communion:

'Teach me, O Lord the way of thy statutes' *William Byrd*

'Strengthen for service' *Ach Gott Und Herr*

Postlude:

'Allegro from Concerto No 1'

Claude Balbastre

For your prayers

At This Time

Baby Dylan Andrew Brooks, Gillian Kullman, HM The King, HRH The Princess of Wales, the bereaved, and those suffering during warfare

Recently Departed

André 'Dédé' Devinck, Malcolm Lodwick, Cheto Perez, Carolyn Bower

Year's Mind

William Freckleton Sale, Gerald Augustus Secrett, Denis Martin, Joyce Coston, Ralph John Sage, Harold Rawlinson, Winifred Constance Warwick, Carole Anne Brown, Edwin Ronald Whorlow, Eric Pay, Ronald Shaw, William Frederick Burton, Alan Anderson Tait, Mary Isabella Fuller, Susan Margaret Robinson

Reflection for the week

The Reverend Doctor Jeanne Males

Reflection for Autumn

“For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under
heaven”

(Ecclesiastes 3:1)

A book I'm reading at present has a chapter looking in part at the seasons of the year, and the author challenges us: “What time is it in your life?”

Autumn is a time of considerable change: the evenings are becoming darker and longer, the natural world changes not least with the colour of the leaves, and of course many trees lose their leaves. Such flowers as are in bloom are often of a deeper perhaps more reflective hue.

And the church changes too.... from the almost never-ending season of Trinity – the ‘green’ season – a season of growth (lets hope so). It won't be long before we come upon the Sundays before Advent.

Here at St Clements, we celebrate Harvest Festival and it is soon followed by our own Patronal Festival. The solemn times of All Souls tide and Remembrance Sunday follow quickly after All Saints Day. Its almost as if it's a time of light and darkness and the liturgical colours of white and rich

red begin to reflect that before we move into the deep purple of Advent.

So, the author asks, what time is it for me? What is my favourite time? I guess it's a very good question, that we could all reflect upon. I for one could do with thinking about it all – I enjoy the changing of the seasons. I'd probably be bored if the land we lived in was the same all of the time! And I do enjoy the change into Autumn, and I thank God for it.

Yes autumn is good as it slowly changes, with cooler fresher mornings (even if it is raining!) and the different colours around us are certainly inspiring. I'm not sure tho' that I enjoy the shorter days very much, and I really don't like it when I feel cold and when the house feels cold as well.

Perhaps all the seasons contain things we like and things we find harder. There are times when we find it hard to pray alongside times for considerable spiritual growth. And times we should perhaps admit that its all a bit of a struggle

Pray that God will help us through all the times of change around us.

New to St Clements?

Welcome! We're delighted that you're here

There has been a place of Christian prayer on this site for more than 1,000 years. All are welcome at our services - whatever your background and whatever your faith.

Many of the words of our service can be found from page five of this booklet. Feel free to join in with the words in bold, and to stand, kneel, or sit as you feel able and comfortable. Don't worry about getting it 'right', we're all learning to pray!

The service will start with notices and a hymn. We then bring to mind the times we've not loved God, our neighbours, and ourselves fully. Though it can be uncomfortable admitting we are sinners, we want to be honest with God (and ourselves) that we're not perfect. We can trust that God is utterly loving and forgiving.

A series of readings from scripture follows, and then the sermon, in which the preacher attempts to break open the scriptures and apply them to our lives today.

We pray for the needs of the Church and world, and then the altar is prepared. A collection will be taken, as 'giving' is an important part of

our Christian lives, but don't worry if you're unable to contribute as a visitor.

The priest leads the Eucharistic Prayer - the prayer of thanksgiving - during which we offer bread and wine to God, and He transforms it into the Body and Blood of Christ.

All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion (it's fine to only receive the Body or Blood if you prefer. For reasons of hygiene please don't dip the wafer into the chalice). Or do come forward holding this booklet to receive a blessing. **If you need a gluten-free wafer please let someone at the door know before the service.**

We share refreshments in the Sunley Room (accessed up the ramp behind the organ), and you are most welcome to stay. Toilets may also be found here.

The Church is open daily for peace and prayer. If you'd like to know more about our worship or faith, do talk to people in the congregation or one of the priests. You can also visit our website, www.stclementschurchsandwich.org.uk

Music at 10:30am today

The choir sings during the communion a setting of “*Teach me O Lord the way of thy statutes*” by the 16th century English composer William Byrd. Taking words from Psalm 119, it was apparently not designed as an anthem as such, but as a truly liturgical piece, a festal Psalm to be sung after the Preces in the office of Mattins or Evensong. It is set in verse form with the soprano sections alternating with full five-part choir responses accompanied by a very plain organ accompaniment or even sometimes played on viols as would have been the custom at the time. It is followed by a short hymn “Strengthen for service” apparently based on 4th or 5th century words translated by Percy Dearmer and C W Humphreys and sung to a Lutheran Chorale melody harmonised by J S Bach. This was a prayer used in the liturgy of the Ancient Church of St Thomas in Malabar South India and was said by the deacon while the people were receiving communion as preparation for going out into the life of the world.

The outgoing voluntary is a movement from an organ concerto by Claude Balbestre who was born in Dijon in 1724 and moved to Paris in 1750. The piece uses the louder stops on the organ, particularly the trumpet in an exuberant style of

composition which was very much in vogue in the early late eighteenth century. Such was performer’s popularity, that the Archbishop of Paris, Christophe de Beaumont had to forbid him to play at Saint Roch during some of the services, because the churches were always crowded when Balbestre played!

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Order of Service

The Gathering

*Notices are given before the service.
Stand for the opening hymn:*

Hymn 407

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confessing our Sins

The Celebrant introduces a period of silence in which all call to mind their sins. Then all kneel or sit.

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in

thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces the forgiveness of sins. All stand. The Gloria is sung, the congregation singing parts in bold.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. **Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father. **Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.**

We worship you, **glory in the highest, give you thanks, glory in the highest, praise you for your glory. Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, **have mercy on us**. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer, **receive our prayer**.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. **Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth**.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father. **Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. Amen. Amen.**

The Celebrant says: Let us pray: God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Scriptures

Amos 5.6-7, 10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

*Remain seated as the Choir sing
Psalm 90 v12-end - Domine,
refugium*

*So teach us to number our days :
that we may apply our hearts unto
wisdom.*

*Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last
: and be gracious unto thy servants.*

*O satisfy us with thy mercy, and
that soon : so shall we rejoice and be
glad all the days of our life.*

*Comfort us again now after the time
that thou hast plagued us : and for
the years wherein we have suffered
adversity.*

*Shew thy servants thy work : and
their children thy glory.*

*And the glorious majesty of the Lord
our God be upon us : prosper thou
the work of our hands upon us, O
prosper thou our handywork.*

Hebrews 4.12-end

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore

approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn Number 234

*Turn to face the Book of the Gospels
as it moves to the centre of the nave.
'Alleluia' is sung.*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mark 10.17-31

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother." ' He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing;

go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in

the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.' This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

A sermon is preached.

The Creed

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, 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.

The Intercessions & Peace

Kneel or sit to pray. The following response may be used: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer

At the end: Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

As the altar is prepared, and a collection taken, we sing:

*Hymn Number 433 (Omit *)*

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Celebrant prays over the offerings, and all respond Amen.

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant prays the Preface, leading into:

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. All kneel or sit

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the

whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary, Clement, Peter, Paul, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All say boldly: **Amen.**

Preparation for Communion

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.

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.**

Jesus, lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Holy Communion

Sidespeople will indicate when to move for Holy Communion. All who are baptised are welcome to receive Communion, or do bring this booklet with you to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing instead.

*After all have received Holy Communion, **Stand** as the Celebrant says* Let us pray: God our Father, whose Son, the light unfailing, has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance: let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Hymn To God be the Glory

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 an atonement for sin,
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;
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son
and give Him the glory; great things He hath done!*

O 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....

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 rapture, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord....

Going out into the World

All remain standing for the blessing and dismissal:

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

The Celebrant blesses and dismisses the congregation.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ, Amen!**

*The organ postlude is part of our act of worship, please remain quiet.
If you are able, do please stay for refreshments after the service -
served in The Sunley Room (behind the organ)*

Parish Notices and Events

Please send any news or notices for a Sunday booklet to the Parish Office before noon on the Wednesday preceding.



Our Harvest Festival Parish Eucharist will be next Sunday 20th October at 10:30am. This year we will be collecting a Harvest Offering of food for the Sandwich Pantry. The Pantry directly supports more than two dozen families in our parish, and several members of our congregation help to organise it.

Due to the storage facilities available to the Pantry fresh food is not as desirable, since it cannot be kept so easily, and therefore the list of most requested items are:

- Tins of tuna
- Tinned meat
- Small jars of coffee
- Tinned soup
- Christmas treats
- 'Instant' Rice/pasta sachets for those without ovens
- Biscuits
- Bottles of squash
- Stock cubes or gravy granules
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Cleaning sprays.

Evensong at St Paul's, Canterbury

Our Choir, and the Choir of St Paul's, will be singing Evensong together on Sunday 20th October at 5:00pm. This service will be followed by refreshments, and it would be helpful for St Paul's to have an idea of numbers. If you're hoping to come please speak to the Rector or Julian Sampson

Warm Welcome Project

Thank you to those who attended the launch of our five-year Project last Sunday, and especially to those who have already responded by exploring the Parish Giving Scheme.

I will be in St Clement's from **1:30pm to 4:30pm on Wednesday 23rd October** available to talk about ideas, about the Parish Giving Scheme and regular giving, about concerns, or indeed about anything else that you might wish to discuss with me.

I am also happy to meet separately by appointment, or to communicate by email.

October		
Sunday 20th October	10:30am	Harvest Festival Parish Eucharist <i>We give thanks to God for the fruits of the earth, and (where possible) make an offering of goods - see page 12</i>
Sunday 20th October	5:00pm	Evensong at St Paul's, Canterbury <i>Our Choir, and the Choir of St Paul's, sing Evensong together in Canterbury, with our Rector preaching.</i>
November		
Friday 1st November	5:30pm	Choral Eucharist at Canterbury Cathedral <i>Our Choir sing for the All Saints' Day Eucharist at the Cathedral</i>
Saturday 2nd November	Time TBA	All Souls' Day Requiem <i>A quiet, said Requiem Mass/Eucharist will be offered for all departed souls and loved ones</i>
Sunday 10th November		Remembrance Sunday <i>11:00am - Act of Remembrance at the Town War Memorial, Market Street</i> <i>c11:20am - Service of Remembrance at St Clement's</i> <i>5:00pm Sung Requiem Mass/Eucharist, the Choir sing Fauré's Requiem, offered for all departed souls and loved ones</i>
Saturday 16th November	9:00am	Churches Together Prayer Breakfast <i>We host the Churches of Sandwich for prayer, food, and preparation of our Christmas cards</i>
Sunday 17th November	10:30am	Patronal Festival Parish Eucharist <i>Followed by Reception. The Archdeacon of Ashford, the Venerable Darren Miller, will be guest preacher</i>
Saturday 30th November	10:00am - Noon	Advent Coffee Morning and Raffle <i>A chance to talk to friends and neighbours over coffee and cake in our Church Hall</i>
December		
Sunday 1st December	5:00pm	Advent Carol Service - Worth <i>At our sister parish of St Peter and St Paul, Worth. We prepare for the keeping of Advent with readings, hymns, and anthems from our Choir</i>
Tuesday 17th December	Time TBA	Advent Compline <i>Our Choir bring light into darkness by leading this quiet service of Night Prayer</i>

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Services and Events this week

Monday 14th October - Feria (No Feast)

Tuesday 15th October - Feast of Teresa of Avila

Wednesday 16th October - Feria

10:00am Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*)

Thursday 17th October - Feast of Ignatius, Bishop

Friday 18th October - Feast of Luke the Evangelist

10:00am Coffee Pot (*Parish Hall*)

Saturday 19th October - Feast of Henry Martyn

Sunday 20th October - Twenty First Sunday After Trinity et Harvest Festival

8:00am Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*)

Celebrant: The Rector

10:30am Parish Eucharist (*Common Worship*)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rector

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