

For your prayers

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Reflection for the week The Reverend Doctor Jeanne Males

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a psychologist I came from a profession that very often relied on surveys and questionnaires. And now sometimes I think that the church rather likes them too. And so having prepared a number of people (young and older) for confirmation when I was a parish priest, I think this season could be one where it would be good to start with a questionnaire. What do you think Corpus Christi is all about? And I think that many people slowly but surely change their views and their beliefs. Perhaps if we surveyed the whole congregation our views would be along a continuum.

But I think the very nature of these reflections is that perhaps we share a little of what we think so they are personal.

The very essence of communion – we receive bread and wine with the words "the body of Christ" and "the blood of Christ". These are not just words but they reveal the body and blood of Jesus Christ – his Real Presence among us. They are such precious moments for us all. I always smile when I receive those holy things – because they are so special.

I leave the place of communion with a prayer "you are closer to me than I am to myself" – words of St Augustine of Hippo. I love those words.

At home I have a pottery chalice and patten made for me in the parish from which I was ordained. The potter was very skillful and I treasure it. On the patten are the words 'I am' and on the base of the chalice 'Hidden and yet ever present one'.

Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand;

Ponder nothing earthly-minded, For with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth,

Our full homage to demand.

And if you'd like a visual image take a look at Caravaggio's 'Supper at Emmaus' I think its at the National Gallery in London.

I'm not sending round a questionnaire – just think about Corpus Christi.

Enjoy – now and every day.

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New to St Clements? Welcome! We're delighted that you're here

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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. Our collection is gathered before the service, for the work of St Clement's, and offered up to God at this point. You can still donate, if you wish, on the way out of church - the giving station is to the left of the porch.

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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

On this Feast of Corpus Christi, during the Communion the choir sings two pieces spanned by some 400 years written by foremost English composers. Firstly we sing an Offertory for the Feast of Corpus Christi for fourpart choir by William Byrd (1543-1623). The Latin words Sacerdotes Domini translate as "Then did priests make offering of incense and loaves of finest wheat to God and therefore shall they be holy to their Lord and shall not defile his most holy name. Alleluia" and come from the Gradualia of 1605.

Byrd remained a staunch Catholic even after the Reformation, writing in English and Latin to appease all faiths and regulations. Moving then on to the early 20th century, Edward Elgar, himself also a strong Roman Catholic composed his setting of the Ave Verum with its traditional 14th century words attributed to Pope Innocent VI. The music was originally written in 1887 while Elgar was organist at St George's R C Church in Worcester and composed as a setting of the Pie Jesu in memory of William Allen who was the Worcester attorney for whom Elgar worked as a fifteen-year-old. We have many settings of these words within our repertoire, notably more famous ones by William Byrd, Colin Mawby, and WA Mozart, but this Elgar version is perhaps the most beautiful, with it's simple and elegant vocal lines sung initially by the sopranos and echoed by the full choir. The words of the Ave Verum translate as Jesu, Word of God Incarnate, of the Virgin Mary born, on the cross thy sacred body for us men with

nails were torn. Cleanse us, by thy blood and water streaming from thy pierced side. Feed us with thy Body broken, now in death's agony! O Jesu, O Jesu hear us, Son of Mary

It is then followed by a lyrical anthem - The Call of Wisdom by the contemporary composer Will Todd (b1970). It was commissioned by the Chapter of St Paul's Cathedral for the Diamond Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II in 2012. The words are by Michael Hampel and based on Proverbs 8. What is striking about the piece is the frequent repetition of the words "I am here, I am with you. I have called; do you hear me?". After a short modern form of Gloria, it ends peacefully with the confident words of God's presence – "I am here, I am with vou".

Lord of wisdom, Lord of truth, Lord of justice, Lord of mercy; walk beside us down the years till we see you in your glory. Striving to attain the heights, turning in a new direction, entering a lonely place, welcoming a friend or stranger. I am here, I am with you. I have called: do you hear me? Silver is of passing worth, gold is not of constant value, jewels sparkle for a while; what you long for is not lasting. Rulers govern under me with my insight and my wisdom. Those who know me know mv love, those who seek me find their answer. God the Father and the Son, Holy Spirit co-eternal. Glory be ascribed to you, now and to the end of ages. I am here, I am with you, do you hear me, I have called; do you hear me? I am here. I am with you.

Order of Service

The Gathering

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

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine; thyself at thine own board make manifest, in thine own sacrament of bread and wine.

We meet, as in that upper room they met; thou, at thy table, blessing, yet dost stand: 'This is my body' - so thou givest yet; faith still receives the cup as from thy hand.

One body we, one body who partake, one church united in communion blessed; one name we bear, one bread of life we break, with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.

One with each other, Lord, for one in thee, who art one Saviour and one living Head; then open thou our eyes, that we may see: be known to us in breaking of the bread.

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

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.

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

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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 introduces the Collect with the words 'Let us pray' and a period of silence. Then Let us pray: Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament you have given us the memorial of your passion: grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruits of your redemption; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

All sit.

The Scriptures

Genesis 14:18-20

King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed Abram and said,

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High,

maker of heaven and earth;

and blessed be God Most High,

who has delivered your enemies into your hand!'

And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

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

Remain seated as the Choir sing Psalm 42

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks : so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God : when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night : while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself : for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God;

In the voice of praise and thanksgiving : among such as keep holy-day.

Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

Put thy trust in God : for I will yet give him thanks for the help of his countenance.

My God, my soul is vexed within me : therefore will I remember thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the little hill of Hermon.

One deep calleth another, because of

the noise of the water-pipes : all thy waves and storms are gone over me. The Lord hath granted his lovingkindness in the day-time : and in the night-season did I sing of him, and made my prayer unto the God of my life.

I will say unto the God of my strength, Why hast thou forgotten me : why go I thus heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

My bones are smitten asunder as with a sword : while mine enemies that trouble me cast me in the teeth;

Namely, while they say daily unto me : Where is now thy God?

Why art thou so vexed, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me? O put thy trust in God : for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

1 Corinthians 1:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

Turn to face the Book of the Gospels as it moves to the centre of the nave. Be still for the presence of the Lord, The Holy One is here Come bow before Him now, With reverence and fear In Him no sin is found We stand on holy ground Be still for the presence of the Lord, The Holy One is here

Be still for the glory of the Lord, Is shining all around He burns with holy fire, With splendor He is crowned How awesome is the sight Our radiant King of light Be still for the glory of the Lord, Is shining all around

Be still for the power of the Lord, Is moving in this place He comes to cleanse and heal, To minister His grace No work too hard for Him In faith receive from Him Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place

'Alleluia' is sung. The Lord be with you. And also with you. Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John. Glory to you, O Lord. John 6:51-58

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this

man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

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 the collection offered to God, we sing:

O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray that all thy Church might be for ever one, grant us at every Eucharist to say with longing heart and soul, 'Thy will be done.' O, may we all one Bread, one Body be, one through this Sacrament of unity.

For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede; make thou our sad divisions soon to cease; draw us the nearer each to each, we plead, by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace: thus may we all one Bread, one Body be, through this blest Sacrament of unity.

We pray thee too for wanderers from thy fold; O bring them back, good Shepherd of the sheep, back to the faith which saints believed of old, back to the Church which still that faith doth keep: soon may we all one Bread, one Body be, through this blest Sacrament of unity.

So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease, may we be one with all thy Church above, one with thy saints in one unbroken peace, one with thy saints in one unbounded love: more blessèd still, in peace and love to be one with the Trinity in Unity. NEH 302

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* All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; 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.

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion. Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe. Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing; 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.

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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.

In fine weather: Once the Choir have finished singing the anthem, and you have recieved Holy Communion, please take your possessions and make your way out of the porch and down Knightrider Street into the Rectory garden. Please gather there quietly, ready to continue our service.

Sweet Sacrament divine, hid in thine earthly home, lo, round thy lowly shrine, with suppliant hearts we come; Jesu, to thee our voice we raise in songs of love and heartfelt praise: sweet Sacrament divine, sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace, dear home for every heart, where restless yearnings cease and sorrows all depart; there in thine ear all trustfully we tell our tale of misery: sweet Sacrament of peace, sweet Sacrament of peace. Sweet Sacrament of rest, ark from the ocean's roar, within thy shelter blest soon may we reach the shore; save us, for still the tempest raves, save, lest we sink beneath the waves: sweet Sacrament of rest, sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine, earth's light and jubilee, in thy far depths doth shine the Godhead's majesty; sweet light, so shine on us, we pray that earthly joys may fade away: sweet Sacrament divine, sweet Sacrament divine. NEH 307

Let us pray: All praise to you, our God and Father, for you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the true vine: hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ, we may grow together in unity and feast with him in his kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! this our song shall ever be; for we have no hope, nor Saviour if we have not hope in thee.

All for Jesus! Thou wilt give us strength to serve thee hour by hour: none can move us from thy presence while we trust thy love and power.

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.

The Celebrant gives a blessing using the Blessed Sacrament. The Sacrament is then taken to St Margaret's Chapel as all sing: All for Jesus! At thine altar thou dost give us sweet content; there, dear Saviour, we receive thee in thy holy sacrament.

All for Jesus! Thou hast loved us, all for Jesus! Thou hast died, all for Jesus! Thou art with us, all for Jesus, glorified!

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! This the Church's song shall be, till at last the flock is gathered one in love, and one in thee.

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Parish Calendar

A Eucharist will be celebrated at 6:00pm this Tuesday for the Birth of John the Baptist. Zoom Compline returns on TUESDAY 1st July 7.30pm, then fortnightly.

June				
Saturday 28th June	1:00pm- 5:00pm	Little Gardens of Sandwich Returns! The anticipated return of Little Gardens of Sandwich - with 5 private gardens, tours of the allotments, ringing room, and churchyard, afternoon tea, the Grand Raffle, and more! Please do spread the word.		
Sunday 29th June	5:30pm	Patronal Festival Sung Evensong The Choir of St Clement's lead the singing of Sung Evensong at our Sister Church of St Peter & St Paul, Worth, for their Patronal Festival.		
August				
Saturday 2nd August		Southwark Cathedral Choir Trip & Parish Visit Our Choir sing Choral Evensong in Southwark Cathedral. Members of the congregation are invited to join them – booking form to include meal menus now available in church and on church website. Bookings to Derek Kirkaldie (d.kirkaldie@stclementsandwich. org.uk) or Julian Sampson (email opposite)		
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The week ahead

Monday 23rd June - Feast of St Etheldreda, Ab

Tuesday 24th June - <u>The Nativity of John the Baptist</u> 6:00pm Eucharist

Wednesday 25th June - Feria

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

Thursday 26th June - Feria

Friday 27th June - Feria

10:00am Coffee Pot (Church Hall)

Saturday 28th June - Feast of St Irenæus, B, M

1:00pm-5:00pm Little Gardens of Sandwich

Sunday 29th June - <u>Sts Peter and Paul the Apostles</u>

8:00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) 10:30am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) Celebrant: Father Seb Lundberg Preacher: The Rector

Day	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 27;30 + Job 13	Ps 26;28;29 + Luke. 12.1-12
Tuesday	Ps 50;149 +Malachi 3. 1-6	Ps 80;82 + Matthew 11. 2-19
Wednesday	Ps 34 + Job 15	Ps 119 . 33-56 + Luke 12.22-31
Thursday	Ps 37 + Job 16.1 - 17.2	Ps39;40 + Luke 12.32-40
Friday	Ps 31 +Job 17.3-end	Ps35 + Luke 12.41-48
Saturday	Ps 41;42;43 + Job 18	Ps45;46 + Luke 12.49-end

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