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Please put a note in the 'reference' box for online banking so treasurers know what the payment is for and/or from whom, if that is important. Thank you.

May 1st, 2024

Dear Friends of St Clement and St Nicholas

NOTICES OF SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK:

Sunday May 5th 9am Holy Communion at St Nicholas

10.30am Holy Communion in Eastertide at St Clement

At the end of May we will be holding the annual Ecclesiastical Assembly where we elect church officers and approve the Tresor accounts. If we have any building plans we often use that meeting rather than holding an extra assembly to show them and if approved pass a resolution to apply for a faculty at the next Ecclesiastical Court. That runs alongside the planning process. If there are sufficient funds in the Tresor (funded by an annual parish grant plus grave fees) then the work goes ahead or if not then it is over to the Constable and Procureurs to approve or seek permission for a parish grant. So a number of hurdles.

Last year the assembly approved the plans for a shed behind the current store and another behind the 'Angel tomb' plus extending water and electricity into the top part of the churchyard. We have spent around a year negotiating a route through the planning process which has finally been approved by Planning and their historic buildings department. The main issue has not been the shed designs - wooden walls with slate roofs on concrete bases (almost identical to the style of the garages on the other side of Route de Seigneur) - but because parts of the churchyard are considered potentially important for archaeological remains . The main churchyard we currently use was a ploughed field until the 1970s but we had to abandon proposals to scrape off the tarmac from little used paths and add a layer of earth and grass over because the parish would have had to underwrite an agreement that if an archaeologist supervising that work spotted anything of possible interest in the uncovered earth then the work could be halted and the parish would have to fund an archaeological dig of unknown duration. Thankfully the shed behind the existing store is on a pile of waste earth and the site was dug up several years ago and the possible remains of the priory were several feet down.

Apart from historic buildings requiring a gap between the Angel tomb and the digger shed, which has added an extra wall to the costs, the plans are the same as last year . A large hedge already runs along the Route de Seigneur side and more hedging and planting will mean the shed behind the store and WC will blend in .

Machinery which currently rusts slowly under tarpaulins will have a proper shelter and the mowers etc jam packed into store built around fifty years ago will be properly stored and accessible plus space created for a workshop for cleaning and maintaining them. The area looked after had increased hugely but with less labour compensated via machinery, the buildings have been needed for a long time.

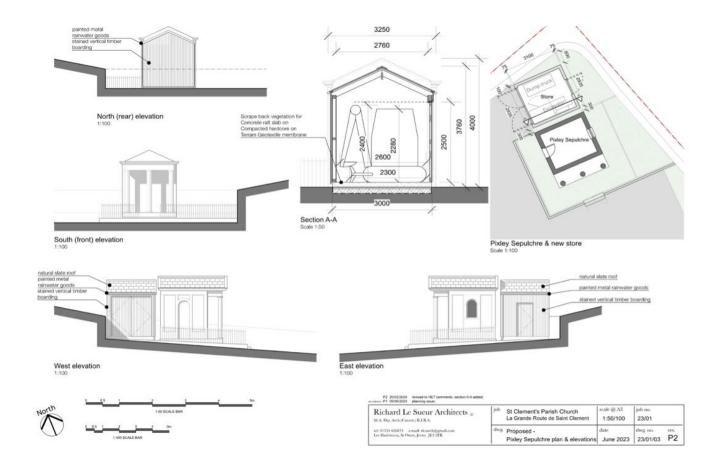
Feel free to ask if you have any questions and do come to the Ecclesiastical Assembly on **Tuesday 28th May at 7 pm** in the Parish Hall. This will be followed by a short congregational meeting to approve other church officers and the annual accounts .

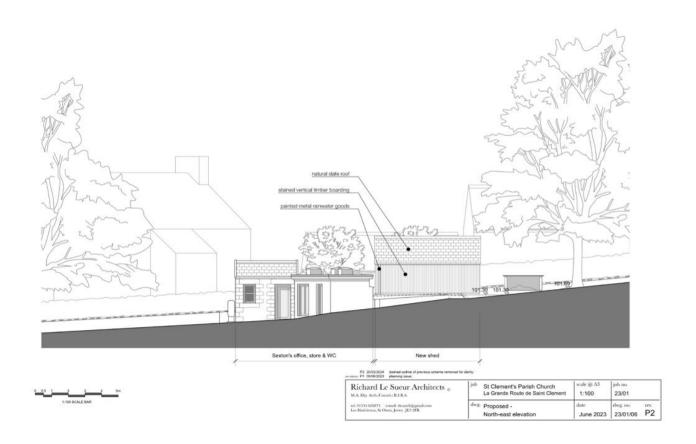
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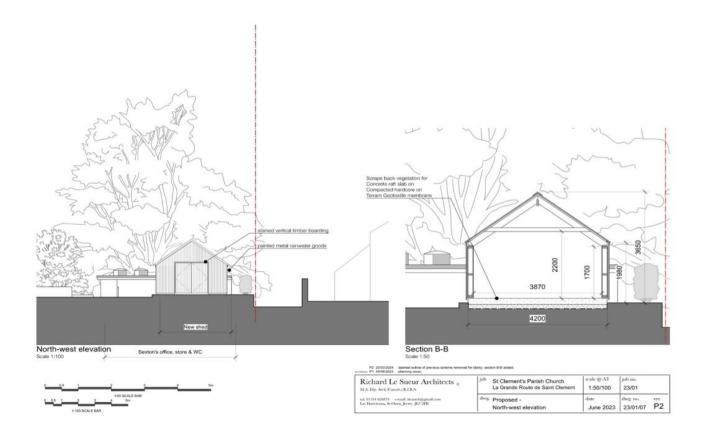
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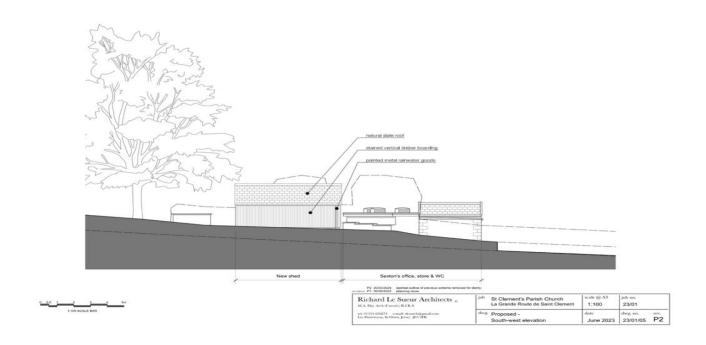








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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION IN ST CLEMENT May 5th, 2024 HOLY COMMUNION IN EASTERTIDE

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Come, let us join our cheerful songs With angels round the throne; Ten thousand, thousand are their tongues, But all their joys are one.

'Worthy the Lamb that died' they cry, 'to be exalted thus'; 'Worthy the Lamb, our lips reply, For he was slain for us.

Jesus is worthy to receive Honour and power divine; And blessings, more than we can give, Be, Lord for ever thine.

Let all that dwell above the sky, And air, and earth, and seas, Conspire to lift thy glories high, And speak thine endless praise.

The whole creation joins in one To bless the sacred name Of him that sits upon the throne And to adore the Lamb.

The Greeting

The Lord be with you. and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation: 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; though Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

We sit or kneel Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, Heav'nly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

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; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

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 Father. Amen.

The Collect for the Sixth Sunday of Easter: God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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 First Reading is taken from Acts, Chapter 10, beginning to read at the forty-fourth verse (Acts 10 44-48)

While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God.

Then Peter said, "Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptised with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have." So he ordered that they be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

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

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Send, O God, your Holy Spirit On your people gathered here. Fill our lives with gentle courage; Let your love cast out our fear.

Every perfect gift is given
By the God whose name we bear
To equip the saints of Jesus
For the saving work we share.

Gifts of wisdom, gifts of knowledge, Gifts of faith and healing grace, Gifts that in the Spirit's power Will reveal the Saviour's face.

All God's children, all Christ's people, All the saints, receive this word! Claim the gift, the faith, the promise, Build the body of the Lord.

The Gospel Reading: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you, O Lord. (John 15 9-17)

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other.

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon Martin: All our liturgy, including our Communion Service this morning, comes from Common Worship, which was published by the Church of England in 2000. I think it is a worthy addition to the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, but it is not perfect. For example, the marriage service doesn't contain a single mention of friendship. I find this surprising, especially when you consider Jesus' words to his disciples in our gospel reading. Friendship was the glue that enabled the early church to survive and prosper, and it's the glue that we need today in our marriages, our families, our churches and our communities, not forgetting among the nations. How would you

rate the importance of friendship on a scale of 1-10? Jesus gives it a 10: "You are my friends if you do what I command: love one another as I have loved you."

We stand to say 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.

Prayers of Intercession Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

May Christians all over the world be united in love as one family of faith.

Pray for Christians from another denomination eg Methodist/Catholic/Baptist/Freedom Church

May humanity remember that we are all from the same human family and love each other as God loves us.

Pray for the hostages held in Gaza and for all working for a peaceful end to the hostilities between Israel and Hamas. Pray for the people of Ukraine and all peoples living through conflict.

May friends and neighbours respond to the needs of the community around them in love. Pray for people who seek to meet the needs of our community: eg Meals on Wheels, Nursing Home Care, Age Concern, Rapid Response Teams, Community Support

May all who are ill or at the limits of their endurance be held in the love of God and find healing. Pray for people known to you.

May all who mourn know the closeness of God and God's love for all creation. *Pray for all who are mourning.*

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

The Peace We stand to share the Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you

All: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

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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 for thy presence While we trust thy love and power.

All for Jesus, at thine altar
Thou wilt give us sweet content;
There, dear Lord, we shall receive thee
In the solemn sacrament.

All for Jesus, thou hast loved us; All for Jesus, thou hast died; All for Jesus, thou art with us; All for Jesus crucified.

All for Jesus, all for Jesus, This the church's song must be, Till, at last, we all are gathered One in love and one in thee.

Creator of all, you wash away our sins, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. and also with you
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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works. For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal. And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

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.

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. Great is the mystery of faith: **Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

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 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. **Amen**.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us. 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.

Breaking of the Bread

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.

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. Prayer before the distribution

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your 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.

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayers After Communion: God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

Post Communion Prayer: Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; We who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Dismissal: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

He is not here. He is risen. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia. In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia. CA 503

O Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
Be thou for ever near me,
My Master and my friend:
I shall not fear the battle
If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me; The world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle The tempting sounds I hear; My foes are ever near me, Around me and within; But, Jesus draw thou nearer, And shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking In accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, The murmurs of self-will O speak to reassure me, To hasten or control; O speak and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised, To all who follow thee, That where thou art in glory There shall thy servant be; And, Jesus, I have promised To serve thee to the end: O give me grace to follow, My master and my friend.

O let me see thy foot-marks
And in them plant mine own
My hope to follow duly
Is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end;
And then in heav'n receive me,
My Saviour and my friend.

We say the Grace together: May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen.