

What is a Church?

A church is a special building where people go to worship God. Several services are held on Sundays and weekdays too. There are special services, such as baptisms, weddings and funerals, and services to mark special times like Easter, Christmas and Remembrance Sunday. Churches are also beautiful places to visit.



The lectern is a special desk from where the Bible is read during services.

The parts of a Church -



The Pulpit is a tall stand from where the priest will preach a sermon to the people.

The Altar is the table used when Christians share bread and wine in the Communion service.

The parts of a Church - continued



The Nave is the main central area where people worship.



The Chancel is the part between the altar and the nave, used by the choir and clergy, often separated from the Nave by steps or a screen.

Transepts - many churches are built in the shape of a cross. The Transepts are the 'arms' of the cross. Holy Trinity once had transepts.



Aisles are spaces along each side of the Nave, usually separated from it by columns.

Holy Trinity only has a South Aisle left.



The Font is a container for holy water used when a person (often a baby) is baptised as a Christian.

The font is usually placed near the door, as a sign that the baptised person has entered the Christian family and faith.

Baptism is also called Christening - as this is when a baby is given his or her Christian (first) name.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH TREASURE HUNT

Churches are full of wonderful things. Here are pictures of eight things to be found in this church. Some are easier to spot than others! Look very closely and see if you can find all eight!



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