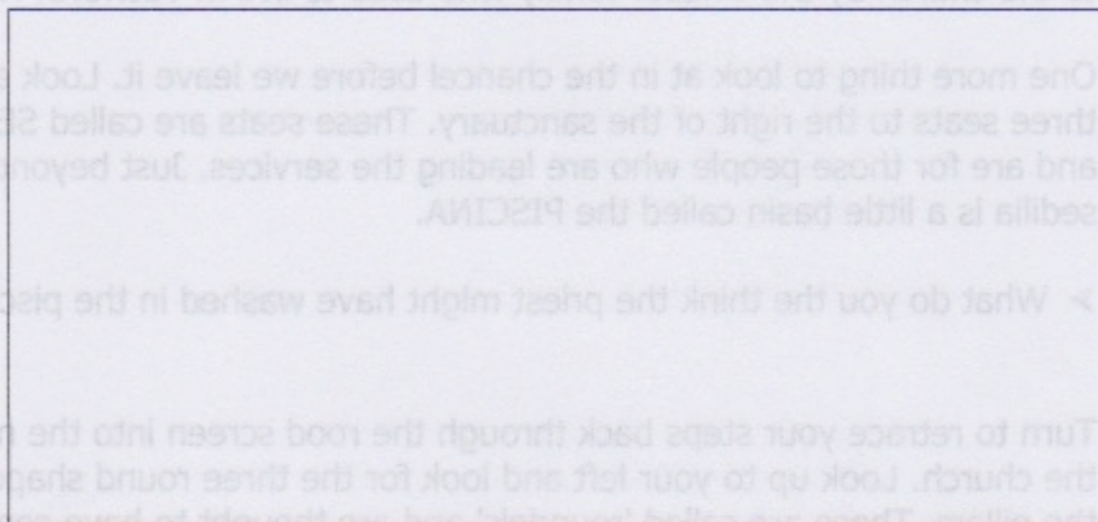


◆ So now let's go through the doors into the CHANCEL which has the space around the ALTAR(9) and is where the CHOIR sits. Let's explore the CHOIR STALLS more closely as they have all kinds of hidden secrets!

◆ Backing onto the rood screen are six hinged seats dating from 1440. Underneath these tipping seats are little perches called MISERICORDS(6) meaning 'mercy seat'. In Medieval times, the services were very long and the priests had to stand for a very long time so, to rest their aching legs, they could perch on these ledges without sitting down. The elbow pieces on these seats also have lots of beautiful carvings.

➤ Have a look underneath these seats and find the four carved misericords and draw your favourite one here.



◆ Can you see the panelling at the back of the choir stalls? These panels on either side lift up and behind them are small windows which allow for air circulations.

➤ See if you can spot these windows when you go outside the church.

◆ Now let's have a look at the ORGAN which was made in the mid-19th century. Look at the right side of the organ.

➤ What do you think is the purpose of the wooden handle attached to the panelling at the side of the organ?