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### **Papal installation ceremony**

Richard Owen carelessly said the new Pope Benedict XVI was installed in a 'centuries-old ceremony'. In fact the ceremony has been altered greatly in recent years so as to delete the coronation with the triple crown and in other ways emphasise that the Holy Father is the humble 'servant of the servants of God'.

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### **Pope Benedict is not 'smug'**

Ruth Gledhill spitefully said Pope Benedict had a 'smug' smile when he showed himself on the balcony for the first time. On the contrary his smile displayed humility mingled with incredulity that he had been chosen by the cardinals, coupled with a remarkable friendliness and compassion for all.

*In the Times on 27 April 2005-*

Laura Peek ignorantly described the Dean of Ripon as a clerk in Holy Order (instead of Holy Orders – there are several of them).