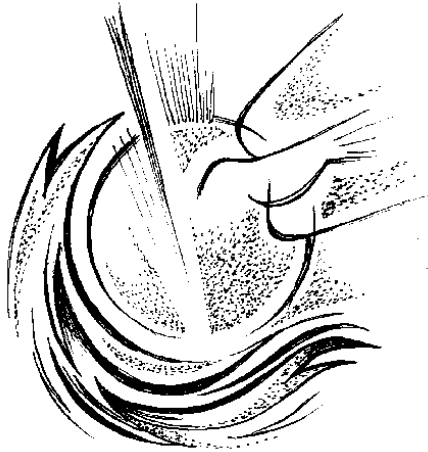


The Ordination of Priests



In the Octave of Peter
and Paul, Apostles

Spazten-Messe K220
W A Mozart

Saturday 1st July 2023
2.00 pm

Welcome to Manchester Cathedral

Welcome to the Cathedral and Collegiate Church of St Mary, St Denys and St George in the heart of the City of Manchester. The building is the old mediaeval Parish Church of Manchester. King Henry V first granted it Collegiate status in 1421 and it became Manchester's Cathedral on the creation of the Diocese of Manchester in 1847. It is believed that there has been a church on or near this site for over a thousand years.

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Hearing-loop

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Have you turned off your mobile phone?

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Collection for the Bishop's Ordination Fund

During the service there will be a collection for the Bishop's Ordination Fund. If you would like the Fund to reclaim the tax that you have paid on the donation, at no cost to yourself, please use the Gift Aid envelope that is with this order of service.

Receiving Holy Communion

We offer a very warm welcome to any who are visiting us today. If you would normally receive communion in your own church you are very welcome to do so here. If you do not receive communion please feel free to come up for a blessing instead. Just bow your head when you come up so the Eucharistic Minister will know.

If you require a gluten free communion wafer please inform a steward before the service. Please note that the wine may contain traces of gluten.

Musicians

The Cathedral Choir is conducted by Christopher Stokes,
Organist and Master of the Choristers.

The organ is played by Geoffrey Woollatt, Sub-Organist

President

The Rt Rev'd Dr David Walker
Bishop of Manchester

Ordaining Bishop

The Rt Rev'd Dr Matthew Porter
Bishop of Bolton

Preacher

The Rev'd Dr Miranda Threlfall-Holmes
Acting Archdeacon of Liverpool

Order of Procession

Crucifer

Acolytes

Choir

Vergers

Incumbents with Candidates

Vergers

Director of Vocations

Archdeacons

Registrar

Vergers

Cathedral Clergy

Preacher

Bishop of Middleton

Bishop of Bolton

Sub-Deacon and Deacon

Bishop of Manchester

Bishop's Chaplain

**Please pray for those who are being ordained Priest
in Manchester Cathedral this weekend:**

**By the Bishop of Bolton
on Saturday July 1st at 2.00 pm**

André Aderemi Adefope

The Benefices of Deane and Lostock, St Thomas and St John
with the Revd Dr Terry Clark

Katrin Alldavoodi

The Benefice of Didsbury, St James and Emmanuel
with the Revd Dr Nick Bundock

Gary Lee Anderton

The Benefice of Prestwich, St Mary
with the Revd Shaun Conlon

Caroline Jane Bailey

The Benefice of Flixton, St Michael
with the Revd Huw Thomas

Sarah Elizabeth Bradley

The Benefice of Rusholme, Holy Trinity
with the Revd Dr Paul Mathole

Laura Elizabeth Brinicombe

The Benefice of Rossendale
with the Revd Janet O'Neill

John Arthur Evans

The Benefice of Clifton
with the Revd Grace Thomas

Kausar (Kay) George

The Benefice of Moss Side, St James with St Clement
and Whalley Range, St Edmund with the Revd Tom Studman

Ian William Harvey

The Benefice of Whalley Range, St Margaret
with the Revd Tom Studman

Margaret Irwin

The Benefice of West Bolton
with the Revd Stephen Tranter

Jason Timothy Lawton

The Benefice of Bury, Roch Valley
with the Revd Simon Watkinson

Robert (Bob) Alexander Grant May

The Benefice of Radcliffe, St Andrew
with the Revd Jo McKee

Ann Meadowcroft

The Benefice of West Didsbury, Christ Church and Withington,
St Christopher with the Revd Anne Pilkington

Joshua (Josh) James Harry Openshaw

The Benefice of Davyhulme, Christ Church and Urmston, St Clement
with the Revd James Spence

Marie Pattison

The Benefice of Walkden and Little Hulton
with the Revd David Cooper

Hannah Rudd

The Benefice of Atherton and Hindsford with Howe Bridge
with the Revd Tracy Marshall

Alexa Joy Russell

The Benefice of Wythenshawe
with the Revd Ian Fellows

**By the Bishop of Beverley
on Saturday July 1st at 5.00 pm**

Warren Mitchell

The Benefice of Lower Broughton, The Ascension
with the Revd Canon Falak Sher

Lewis Sebastian Steven Oliver Hemmings Faye

The Benefice of Failsworth, The Holy Family
with the Revd Paul Hutchins

Harold (Al) Thompson

The Benefice of Swinton and Pendlebury
with the Revd Dr Jeremy Sheehy

**By the Bishop of Ebbsfleet
on Sunday 2nd July at 7:00 pm**

James Gordon Greenfield

The Benefice of Christ Church and Balderstone, St Mary
with the Revd Ben Wilkinson

We also pray for **Lydia Anne Taylor** from this cohort as she continues her ministry as a Distinctive Deacon at Haughton Green, St Mary the Virgin with the Revd Mark Glew

Introduction to the ordination service

All Christian ministry has its roots in baptism, is enabled by the Holy Spirit and shares in the ministry of Christ, the Good Shepherd and High Priest. The Church's ordained ministry has been shaped under the guidance of the Holy Spirit through the processes of human history, and the Church of England has maintained the three-fold order of bishop, priest and deacon. In their life and ministry, bishops, priests and deacons are called to speak in Christ's name and to build up the Church.

Ordination is a weighty calling, and is undertaken after much consideration, preparation, and prayer. As the ordination service progresses, the nature of each distinct ministry is revealed within the words and actions, in the readings, questions, explanations and prayers.

Symbolic actions

Anointing priests with oil became an established feature in the Middle Ages, based on an Old Testament practise. Anointing has been increasingly popular in recent years in the Church of England; the Bishop anoints the hands of each candidate with fragrant oil, called 'chrism'.

Ordination takes effect by prayer and the laying-on of hands. Within a sequence of prayer, the Bishop says the Ordination Prayer, during which he lays hands on each candidate with the words:

Send down the Holy Spirit on your servant *N*
for the office and work of a priest in your Church.

At the ordination of priests, other priests may also lay hands on each candidate during the prayer.

After the ordination a number of secondary symbolic acts take place:

The giving of a Bible to each candidate has always been an element of Anglican ordination. It is a sign of the authority given by God to preach the Word of God, and the action gives vivid expression to the truth that all Christian ministers are under the authority of that Word.

After the ordination the newly-ordained are symbolically vested in robes appropriate to their new order. In fact, the ordinand will have been wearing most of their robes since the beginning of the service, and this 'vesting' is indicated by the adjusting of the stole. A deacon wears a stole across the body; a priest wears a stole around the back of the neck, hanging down at the front.

The Declaration of Assent

This Declaration is made by the ordinand before the service.

Preface

The Church of England is part of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds, which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, *The Book of Common Prayer* and the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons. In the declaration you are about to make, will you affirm your loyalty to this inheritance of faith as your inspiration and guidance under God in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making him known to those in your care?

Declaration of Assent

Candidate I, N, do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the sacraments, I will use only the forms of service which are authorized or allowed by Canon.

Oaths

Taking the New Testament in the right hand, the candidate says:

Candidate I, N, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, his heirs and successors, according to law: so help me God.

I, N, do swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Manchester and his successors, in all things lawful and honest: so help me God.

Music before the service

Psalm Prelude Set I No 1, Op 32 No 1

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

The Gathering and Presentation

All stand at the entry of the ministers

Introit

Sung by the Choir

Tu es Petrus,
et super hanc petram aedificabo ecclesiam meam.

*You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my church.*

Maurice Durufié (1902-1986)

Matthew 16.18

Hymn

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness,
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

Was Lebet NEH 52
Melody from the Rheinhardt MS 1754

J S B Monsell (1811-1875)

The Greeting

Bishop Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All **Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

All There is one body and one spirit.
There is one hope to which we were called;

All One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all.

All Peace be with you
and also with you.

The Bishop introduces the service

Bishop God calls his people to follow Christ, and forms us into a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to declare the wonderful deeds of him who has called us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

The Church is the Body of Christ, the people of God and the dwelling-place of the Holy Spirit. In baptism the whole Church is summoned to witness to God's love and to work for the coming of his kingdom.

To serve this royal priesthood, God has given particular ministries. Priests are ordained to lead God's people in the offering of praise and the proclamation of the gospel. They share with the Bishop in the oversight of the Church, delighting in its beauty and rejoicing in its well-being. They are to set the example of the Good Shepherd always before them as the pattern of their calling. With the Bishop and their fellow presbyters, they are to sustain the community of the faithful by the ministry of word and sacrament, that we all may grow into the fullness of Christ and be a living sacrifice acceptable to God.

Please sit

The Presentation

Each ordinand stands as their names are called by an Archdeacon

Reverend Father in God, I present the following to be ordained to the office of Priest in the Church of God:

N to serve in the Benefice of N.

Once all the ordinands have been presented, the Bishop asks these questions of the Rev'd Canon Nick Smeeton, Director of Vocations

Bishop Have those whose duty it is to know these ordinands and examine them found them to be of godly life and sound learning?

Response **They have.**

Bishop Do they believe them to be duly called to serve God in this ministry?

Response **They do.**

The Bishop turns to the ordinands and says

Bishop Do you believe that God is calling you to this ministry?

Ordinands **I do so believe.**

Bishop I invite the Registrar to confirm that these ordinands have taken the necessary oaths and made the Declaration of Assent.

Response They have duly taken the oath of allegiance to the Sovereign and the oath of canonical obedience to the Bishop. They have affirmed and declared their belief in 'the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness'.

The Collect

The Bishop introduces a period of prayer with the following bidding

Let us pray for all those to be ordained,
and for the ministry of the whole people of God.

God our Father, Lord of all the world,
through your Son you have called us into the fellowship
of your universal Church:

hear our prayer for your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
each may be an instrument of your love,
and give to your servants now to be ordained
the needful gifts of grace;

through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading

Exodus 3.1-4

A Reading from the Book Exodus:

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.'

When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.'

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Hymn

Lord, make us servants of your peace:
where there is hate, may we sow love;
where there is hurt, may we forgive;
where there is strife, may we make one.

Where all is doubt, may we sow faith;
where all is gloom, may we sow hope
where all is night, may we sow light;
where all is tears, may we sow joy.

Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek
to be consoled, but to console,
nor look to understanding hearts,
but look for hearts to understand.

May we not look for love's return,
but seek to live unselfishly,
for in our giving we receive,
and in forgiving are forgiven.

Dying we live, and are reborn
through death's dark night to endless day;
Lord, make us servants of your peace
to wake at last in heaven's light.

O waly waly Sing Praise 290
English traditional melody

James Quinn SJ
after Francis of Assisi

Please remain standing and face the Gospel book

Gospel Reading

John 20.11-21

All turn to face the Gospel book. An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading

All 
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Cantor I chose you and appointed you, says the Lord,
that you should go and bear fruit that shall last.

All sing **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Deacon Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.



(Choir: Glo - ry to you) All: Glo - ry to you O Lord

Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?'

Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

At the end

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All



(Choir: Praise to you) All: Praise to you O Christ.

Please sit

Sermon

The Rev'd Dr Miranda Threlfall-Holmes
Acting Archdeacon of Liverpool

A period of silence is kept for reflection. Please stand for the hymn

Hymn

We believe in God the Father,
 God almighty, by whose plan
 earth and heaven sprang to being,
 all created things began.
 We believe in Christ the Saviour,
 Son of God in human frame,
 virgin-born, the child of Mary
 upon whom the Spirit came.

Christ, who on the cross forsaken,
 like a lamb to slaughter led,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 he descended to the dead.
 We believe in Jesus risen,
 heaven's king to rule and reign,
 to the Father's side ascended
 till as judge he comes again.

We believe in God the Spirit;
 in one church, below, above:
 Saints of God in one communion,
 one in holiness and love.
 So by faith, our sins forgiven,
 Christ our Saviour, Lord and friend,
 we shall rise with him in glory
 to the life that knows no end.

*Blaenwern NEH 408
William Rowlands (1860-1937)*

*Timothy Dudley-Smith (b 1926)
from the Apostles' Creed*

Please sit

The Liturgy of Ordination

The Declarations

The ordinands stand before the bishop, who addresses the congregation

Bishop Priests are called to be servants and shepherds among the people to whom they are sent. With their Bishop and fellow ministers, they are to proclaim the word of the Lord and to watch for the signs of God's new creation. They are to be messengers, watchmen and stewards of the Lord; they are to teach and to admonish, to feed and provide for his family, to search for his children in the wilderness of this world's temptations, and to guide them through its confusions, that they may be saved through Christ for ever. Formed by the word, they are to call their hearers to repentance and to declare in Christ's name the absolution and forgiveness of their sins.

With all God's people, they are to tell the story of God's love. They are to baptize new disciples in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and to walk with them in the way of Christ, nurturing them in the faith. They are to unfold the Scriptures, to preach the word in season and out of season, and to declare the mighty acts of God. They are to preside at the Lord's table and lead his people in worship, offering with them a spiritual sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. They are to bless the people in God's name. They are to resist evil, support the weak, defend the poor, and intercede for all in need. They are to minister to the sick and prepare the dying for their death. Guided by the Spirit, they are to discern and foster the gifts of all God's people, that the whole Church may be built up in unity and faith.

The bishop addresses the ordinands directly

We trust that long ago you began to weigh and ponder all this, and that you are fully determined, by the grace of God, to devote yourself wholly to his service, so that as you daily follow the rule and teaching of our Lord and grow into his likeness, God may sanctify the lives of all with whom you have to do.

And now, in order that we may know your mind and purpose, you must make the declarations we put to you.

Do you accept the Holy Scriptures as revealing all things necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ?

Ordinands **I do so accept them.**

Will you be diligent in prayer, in reading Holy Scripture, and in all studies that will deepen your faith and fit you to bear witness to the truth of the gospel?

Ordinands **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you lead Christ's people in proclaiming his glorious gospel, so that the good news of salvation may be heard in every place?

Ordinands **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you faithfully minister the doctrine and sacraments of Christ as the Church of England has received them, so that the people committed to your charge may be defended against error and flourish in the faith?

Ordinands **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you, knowing yourself to be reconciled to God in Christ, strive to be an instrument of God's peace in the Church and in the world?

Ordinands **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you endeavour to fashion your own life and that of your household according to the way of Christ, that you may be a pattern and example to Christ's people?

Ordinands **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you work with your fellow servants in the gospel for the sake of the kingdom of God?

Ordinands **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you accept and minister the discipline of this Church, and respect authority duly exercised within it?

Ordinands **By the help of God, I will.**

Will you then, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, continually stir up the gift of God that is in you, to make Christ known among all whom you serve?

Ordinands **By the help of God, I will.**

The ordinands turn to face the congregation

Brothers and sisters, you have heard how great is the charge that these ordinands are ready to undertake, and you have heard their declarations. Is it now your will that they should be ordained?

All **It is.**

Will you continually pray for them?

All **We will.**

Will you uphold and encourage them in their ministry?

All **We will.**

The ordinands turn back to face the bishop, who continues, addressing them

In the name of our Lord we bid you remember the greatness of the trust that is now to be committed to your charge.

Remember always with thanksgiving that the treasure now to be entrusted to you is Christ's own flock, bought by the shedding of his blood on the cross. It is to him that you will render account for your stewardship of his people.

You cannot bear the weight of this calling in your own strength, but only by the grace and power of God. Pray therefore that your heart may daily be enlarged and your understanding of the Scriptures enlightened.

Pray earnestly for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The ordinands kneel and silence is kept

Veni Creator

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above
is comfort, life and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace;
keep far our foes, give peace at home;
where thou art guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both, to be but one;
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song:
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Veni Creator (Machlin) NEH 138
Mode viii

John Cosin (1594-1672)
based on *Veni, Creator Spiritus*

The Litany

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

After each petition:

Let us pray to the Lord:

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world,
for the welfare of the Holy Church of God,
and for the unity of all,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For all the members of the Church
in their vocation and ministry,
that they may serve him in truth and love,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For David, Mark and Matthew our bishops,
and for all bishops, presbyters and deacons,
that they may hunger for truth and thirst after righteousness.
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For these ordinands now called to be priests in his Church,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church,
that in faithful witness
we may proclaim the gospel of reconciliation
to the ends of the earth,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For the unity of the Church,
that we may be one in Christ, according to his will,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are lost and for those who have strayed,
that they may return to the way of Christ,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and suffering,
for the aged and infirm,
for the lonely and neglected,
and for all who remember and care for them,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the hungry,
for the homeless and the oppressed,
for all prisoners and captives,
and for our brothers and sisters
who are persecuted for their faith,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For Charles our King,
for the leaders of the nations,
and for all in authority,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For ourselves;
for grace to repent and amend our lives,
that we may be pardoned and absolved from all our sins,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Remembering all who have gone before us in faith,
 and in communion with all the saints,
 we commit ourselves, one another,
 and our whole life to Christ our God:



All **to you, O Lord.**

The Ordination Prayer

The congregation remains seated and the candidates remain kneeling. Training incumbents and supporting clergy only move to the platform. The Bishop stands with the priests who assist him; he stretches out his hands towards the candidates, and says

Bishop We praise and glorify you, almighty Father,
 because in your infinite love
 you have formed throughout the world
 a holy people for your own possession,
 a royal priesthood, a universal Church.

We praise and glorify you because you have given us
 your only Son Jesus Christ,
 the image of your eternal and invisible glory,
 the firstborn of all creation and head of the Church.

We praise and glorify you that by his death
 he has overcome death;
 and that, having ascended into heaven,
 he has given his gifts abundantly,
 to equip your holy people for the work of ministry,
 for the building up of the body of Christ.

And now we give you thanks
 that you have called these your servants,
 whom we ordain in your name,
 to share as a priest in the ministry of the gospel of Christ,
 the Apostle and High Priest of our faith,
 and the Shepherd of our souls.

Therefore, Father, through Christ our Lord we pray:

Candidates move forward and kneel in front of the Bishop as his or her name is called. The Bishop lays his hands on the head of each ordinand, having been anointed, saying

Send down the Holy Spirit on your servant N
for the office and work of a priest in your Church.

When the bishop has laid hands on each ordinand, the prayer continues

Through your Spirit, heavenly Father,
give these your servants grace and power
to proclaim the gospel of your salvation
and minister the sacraments of the new covenant.
Renew them in holiness,
and give them wisdom and discipline
to work faithfully with those committed to their charge.
In union with their fellow servants in Christ,
may they reconcile what is divided,
heal what is wounded
and restore what is lost.

May they declare your blessings to your people;
may they proclaim Christ's victory
over the powers of darkness,
and absolve in Christ's name those who turn to him in faith;
so shall a people made whole in Christ
offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to you,
our God and Father,
to whom, with the Son and the Holy Spirit,
belong glory and honour, worship and praise,
now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Giving of the Bible

Each of the newly ordained priests is given a Bible and the Bishop then says

Bishop Receive this book,
as a sign of the authority which God has given you this day
to preach the gospel of Christ
and to minister his holy sacraments.

Where appropriate, the training incumbents adjust the stoles of the newly ordained to signify their new office. The newly ordained priests stand and face the people.

The Welcome

The newly-ordained priests turn and face the people. The Sub-Dean welcomes the newly ordained priests

Sub-Dean God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself,
and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

All **We welcome you as an ambassador for Christ:
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.**

Please stand

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace

The Bishop introduces the Peace

God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us,
and as a pledge of what is to come
has given us the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

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

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

The Offertory Hymn

During the hymn a collection will be taken for the Ordinands' Support Fund and the holy table is prepared

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia! His the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark! The songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia! He is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia! Here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia! Born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
thou on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.

Hyfrydol NEH 271

W Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Richard Huw Pritchard (1811-1887)

Please remain standing

Preparation of the Table

Bishop Wise and gracious God,
 you spread a table before us;
 nourish your people with the word of life
 and bread of heaven.

All **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Bishop The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

Bishop Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Bishop It is indeed right and good,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise
through your Son Jesus Christ, our great high priest.

He was lifted up for us on the cross
that he might reveal your glory
and draw all people to himself.
You exalted him to your right hand on high
and through your Holy Spirit
you sent upon your people a rich diversity of gifts.

From this royal priestly people you raise up ministers
to proclaim your word, to care for your people
and to be the stewards of your holy mysteries.
You call them to serve the world your Son redeemed
and build up his body the Church to be his bride.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

Choir	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
	Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Osanna in excelsis.	<i>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.</i>

Bishop We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.
On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

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

Bishop Lord of all life, help us to work together
for that day when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

The Lord's Prayer

Bishop As our Saviour taught us, so we pray
All **Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Lead us not into temptation
 but deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours
 now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The bishop breaks the bread and says

Bishop Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
All **we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

Giving of Communion

The invitation to Communion is said

Bishop Jesus is the Lamb of God
 who takes away the sin of the world.
 Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
 but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The bishops and people receive communion. Authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies

Amen.

Members of all Christian Churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please keep your hands down. Holy Communion will be offered in both kinds (that is in both elements of bread and wine). If you prefer, continuing to receive only bread is also permitted. Consecrated bread must not be intincted (dipped) in the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available by the nave platform. Please follow the directions of the stewards.

Agnus Dei

Sung by the Choir

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
grant us peace.*

Anthem

God is a Spirit:
and they that worship him must worship him
in spirit and in truth.
For the Father seeketh such to worship him.

William Sterndale Bennett

John 4. 23-24

Communion Hymns

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast,
body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,
blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,
wash me with water gushing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be,
O blessèd Jesu, hear and answer me;
deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,
so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign,
in death's dread moments make me only thine;
call me and bid me come to thee on high
where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

Anima Christi NEH 305
William Maher (1823-1877)

Latin, 14th Century, anon

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
his goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in you alone.
And I will trust in you alone,
for your endless mercy follows me,
your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,
and he anoints my head with oil,
and my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on his pure delights.

And I will trust...

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
for you are with me, and your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know.

And I will trust...

The Lord's my shepherd SP 314

Stuart Townsend (b 1963)
based on Psalm 23

Prayer after Communion

Bishop Holy and blessed God,
 you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
 and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
 may we honour you,
 not only with our lips but in lives dedicated
 to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

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

Please stand

The Dismissal

Hymn

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King,
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
Power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
Yours the glory...

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
Death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:
Yours the glory...

Priestly King, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
Sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:
Yours the glory...

So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:
Yours the glory...

*Guiting Power CP 398
John Barnard (b 1948)*

Michael Saward (1932-2015)

The Blessing

Bishop God who has called you is faithful.

May the Father, whose glory fills the heavens,
cleanse you by his holiness
and send you to proclaim his word.

All **Amen.**

May Christ, who has ascended to the heights,
pour upon you the riches of his grace.

All **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, the comforter,
equip you and strengthen you in your ministry.

All **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The Sending Out

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Music after the service

Hymne d'Actions de graces 'Te Deum', Op 5 No 3
Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

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Bishop's Chaplain

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