

# The Diocese of Southwell



## The Ordination of Priests

*by*

*George, Bishop of Southwell*

In his Cathedral Church  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Southwell

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2001 at 5.00 p.m.

# Welcome!

We warmly welcome you to this Cathedral and Parish Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the Ordination Service.

As you prepare to take your part in this service, you may like to use these prayers.

**Come Holy Spirit;  
restore the lives which, without you, are dead;  
kindle the hearts which, without you, are cold and dull;  
enlighten the minds which, without you, are dark and blind;  
fill the Church which, without you, is an empty shrine;  
and teach us to pray.**

**Almighty Father,  
give to these your servants  
grace and power to fulfil their ministry.  
Make them faithful to serve,  
ready to teach,  
constant in advancing your gospel;  
and grant that, always having full assurance of faith,  
abounding in hope,  
and being rooted and grounded in love,  
they may continue strong and steadfast  
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit,  
belong glory and honour,  
worship and praise, now and forever. Amen.**

**Music:** The Hymns are printed in this order of service. The Choir will sing the Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei to the music of William Byrd's Four Part Mass.

**Cameras:** Members of the congregation are asked to refrain from using cameras and videos during the service. You are most welcome to photograph the candidates with the Bishop outside the west door of the Minster after the service.

**Toilets:** There are limited facilities in the Great Hall, opposite the south door of the Minster, and in the Refectory/Minster Shop building. There are also toilets (including wheelchair access) in the car park on Church Street.

**Receiving Communion:** Please move to one of the communion points at the direction of a steward. Communicant members of other Christian Churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion at this service. If you are not a communicant you may come to receive a blessing at one of the communion points. Please indicate this by keeping your head bowed and your hands by your sides.

**Induction Loop:** If you wear a hearing aid, turn the control to 'T'.

## The Candidates

**Ben Beecroft** is married to Christine who is also ordained, and they have a daughter, Emily. Ben studied at Oak Hill, London, Trinity College Bristol and Sydney University. He is serving his title with the Rev'd Jeffrey Fewkes at St. Helen's Stapleford.

**Robert Chapman** is married to Sarah and they have one daughter, Isobel. Robert is from Sutton-in-Ashfield, and was a Management Accountant before training at St. John's College, Nottingham. He is serving his title with the Rev'd Chris Rattenberry at St. Paul's and St. Timothy's Daybrook.

**Michael Chatfield** is married to Helen and they have a daughter, Hannah. Michael served for a year with USPG in South Africa before training at Ridley Hall, Cambridge. He is serving his title with the Rev'd Peter Gibbs at St. Peter's Toton.

**David Gray** is married to Joanne and they have two children, Nathan and Natashia. David was a production worker before training at Oak Hill College, London. He is serving his title with the Rev'd Beverley Stark in the Bestwood Team.

**David Henson** is married to Patricia and they have 5 sons. David is a retired Police Officer. He trained on the East Midlands Ministry Training Course, and is serving his title as a Self Supporting Minister with Derek Hollis at the parishes of Beckingham, Walkeringham and Gringley on the Hill.

**Jan Leeming** is an Admin. Assistant and Bereavement Officer at the QMC, Nottingham and has three grown up sons. Jan trained on EMMTC and is serving her title as a Self Supporting Minister with Robert Lovatt at Holy Trinity, Lenton.

**Simon Mason** is married to Louisa and they have one daughter, Emily. Simon was Deputy Warden & Director of the Lee Abbey International Students Club before training at Trinity College, Bristol. He is serving his title with the Rev'd Trevor Hatton at St. Nicholas' Nottingham.

**Robert Murray** is married to Liz and they have two children, Rebecca and William. Robert is a Quality Manager, from Selston. He trained on EMMTC, and is serving his title as a Self Supporting Minister with the Rev'd Linda Church at Annesley and Newstead.

**Karen Padley** was a Clinical Nurse Specialist before training at St. John's College, Nottingham. She is serving her title with the Rev'd Rachel Creighton at St. Martha's Broxtowe.

**David Robbins**, from Southwell, is married to Judith and they have three adult children. David is a retired Deputy Headteacher, and now works as a Supply Teacher and School Governor Clerk. David trained on EMMTC, and is serving his title as a Self Supporting Minister in the Newark Team Ministry with the Rev'd Pauline Hutchinson.

**Phil Wood**, from Mansfield Woodhouse is married to Yvonne and they have three adult children. Phil works as a Drop-In Centre Manager, trained on EMMTC, and is serving his title with the Rev'd Angie Smythe in the parishes of Pleasley Hill, St. Augustine's and Ladybrook in West Mansfield.

*Ordained Priest on 24<sup>th</sup> May at St. John's College:*

**Dee Dyas** is a tutor at St John's College and the director of *Christianity and Culture*, a project hosted by St John's, which works with university lecturers in a number of countries to equip students with the understanding of Christian

thought and practice necessary for the study of Western literature, history and art. She is married to Stuart, and they have two adult sons. Dee is serving her title with the Rev'd Dr. John Darch at St. John's College.

*Would you also pray for those to be ordained deacon on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July in Southwell Minster:*

**Christopher Butler** is married to Ruth and they have three children. A Joiner by profession, Chris has worked in shopfitting management and has served as a Carpentry Instructor in Uganda with Tear Fund for nearly 5 years. Chris trained at St. John's College, Bramcote and will serve his title with Revd. Tony Walker at St Saviour's Retford within the proposed Retford Team Ministry.

**Sue Caddy** worked as a Building Society Customer Services Assistant before training at Westcott House, Cambridge. She is also a licensed Reader. She has two daughters. She will serve her title with Revd. Tony Evans at St. Mary Magdalene, Sutton-in-Ashfield.

**Benedict Cambridge** is married to Georgina (George). Benedict is from Merseyside and prior to training at Cranmer Hall Durham, spent six months in India working for Scripture Union, was an Outdoor Activity Instructor in Kent for three years, and studied theology in Oxford. He will serve his title with Revd. Andrew Cullis at Christ Church, Chilwell.

**Nicola (Nicky) Carnall** is married to Chris and they have one son, Adam. Nicola was Pastoral Assistant at St. Saviour's Retford before training for ministry at St John's College, Bramcote. She will serve her title with the Revd. Annette Cooper at St. Mary's Edwinstowe.

**Christine Dolby** is married to Brian and they have a son and a daughter. Christine works as a Senior Nursing Sister in a local Medical Centre. Having served as a Reader at Southwell Minster, Christine trained on the East Midlands Ministry Training Course and will serve her title with the Revd. Andrew Wigram in the Wiverton Group of Parishes.

**John Draycott**, from Broxtowe, is married to Violet and has a son and a daughter. Prior to training at St. John's College, Bramcote, John worked as a Factory Shift Manager and trained as a Reader. He will serve his title with Revd. Peter Hill and Revd. Mike Brock in the Cluster Parishes of Calverton, Epperstone, Gonalston and Oxton.

**Joan Whysall** is married to Don and lives in Trowell. They have two sons and one daughter. Until recently, Joan worked as a School Teacher and has now taken early retirement. Joan trained on the East Midlands Ministry Training Course and will serve her title with the Revd. Graham Booth in the Parishes of Trowell, Awworth and Cossall.

**Ricarda Witcombe** spent her childhood in Wantage, Oxfordshire. Having studied English and Theology in Cambridge, she trained as a nurse in London, and has also worked as a Freelance Writer and a Parish Secretary. She trained at St. John's College, Bramcote where she met her husband John. They were married last year and with Ricarda's two daughters and John's three children, live at St John's, where John is the Dean of the College. She will serve her title with the Revd. David Rowe at St Wilfrid's, Wilford.

*Please remember other Diocesan candidates selected for training.*

Jackie Allen	EMMTC
Phil Andrew	St. John's Nottingham.
Cathy Blair	St. John's Nottingham.
Jonny Blair	St. John's Nottingham
Mark Cantrill	St. John's Nottingham
Mandy Cartwright	St. John's Nottingham.
Carolyn Cooke	St. John's Nottingham.
Henry Curran	Wycliffe Hall, Oxford.
Janice Dewhirst	EMMTC
Mary Essex	EMMTC
Bronwen Gamble	EMMTC
James Grainger-Smith	St. John's Nottingham.
Lillian Heptinstall	EMMTC
June Kirkham	EMMTC
Chris Manning	EMMTC
Edward Martin	Mirfield
Liam O'Boyle	EMMTC
Fiona Shouler	St. John's Nottingham.
Robert Taylor	Cranmer Hall, Durham.
Samantha Tredwell	EMMTC
Sue Waterston	Ripon College, Cuddesdon
Peter Wenham	St. John's Nottingham.
Katie Windle	St. John's Nottingham.

**Awaiting Training**

Sally Baylis	St. John's Nottingham.
Claire Dawson	
Hilary Geisow	St. John's Nottingham
Kirsten Rosslyn-Smith	St. John's Nottingham
Adrian Stone	St. John's Nottingham

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## ¶ *The Gathering*

### Processional Hymn

All my hope on God is founded;  
he doth still my trust renew.  
Me through change and chance he guideth,  
only good and only true.  
God unknown, he alone  
calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory,  
sword and crown betray his trust;  
what with care and toil he buildeth,  
tower and temple, fall to dust.  
But God's power, hour by hour,  
Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth,  
deep his wisdom, passing thought:  
splendour, light, and life attend him,  
beauty springeth out of naught.  
Evermore from his store  
new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'Almighty Giver  
bounteous gifts on us bestow;  
his desire our soul delighteth,  
pleasure leads us where we go.  
Love doth stand at his hand;  
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal  
sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising  
for the gift of Christ his Son.  
Christ doth call one and all  
ye who follow shall not fall.

*Robert Bridges (1844 – 1930) based on Joachim Neander (1650-1680)  
Tune: Michael, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)*

### *Bishop*

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
And the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you.**

*Bishop*

God our Father, Lord of all the world,  
we thank you that 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 your servants now to be ordained  
the needful gifts of grace;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

*sit*

## ¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

### **Old Testament Reading**

*The Dean of Southwell*

*Isaiah 61.1-3a*

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has  
anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's  
favour,  
and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn;  
to provide for those who mourn in Zion - to give them a garland  
instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **The Psalm**

*Remain seated as the Choir sings:*

*Psalm 145.1-7,21*

<sup>1</sup> I will magnify thee O God my King:

I will praise thy name for ever and ever.

<sup>2</sup> Every day will I give thanks unto thee:

and praise thy name for ever and ever.

<sup>3</sup> Great is the Lord, and marvellous, worthy to be praised:

there is no end to his greatness.

<sup>4</sup> One generation shall praise thy works unto another:

and declare thy power.

<sup>5</sup> As for me, I will be talking of thy worship:  
thy glory, thy praise and wondrous works.

<sup>6</sup> So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts:  
and I will also tell of thy greatness.

<sup>7</sup> The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed:  
and men shall sing of thy righteousness.

<sup>21</sup> My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:  
and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

*stand*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

*sit*

**New Testament Reading**  
*The Rev'd Karen Padley*

*2 Corinthians 5.14-19*

The love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn**

Breathe on me, breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God,  
until my heart is pure;  
until with thee I will one will,  
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,  
till I am wholly thine;  
until this earthly part of me  
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God:  
so shall I never die,  
but live with thee the perfect life  
of thine eternity.

*Edwin Hatch (1835 – 1889)  
Tune: Carlisle, Charles Lockhart (1745 – 1815)*

*Remain standing.*

**Gospel Reading**  
*The Rev'd Phil Wood*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*John 20.19-23*

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

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

**The Sermon**  
*The Rev'd Prebendary John Pearce*

*Stand*

## The Nicene 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.**

*Sit*

### ¶ *The Presentation*

*The Archdeacon of Newark reads the names of those to be  
ordained priest, and the places where they are to serve, first  
saying*

Reverend Father, I present these persons to be ordained to the  
office of priesthood in the Church of God.

*The Bishop presents the candidates to the people, and says*

Those whose duty it is to inquire about these persons and examine them have found them to be of godly life and sound learning, and believe them to be duly called to serve God in this ministry. Is it therefore your will that they should be ordained?

*People*

**It is.**

*Bishop*

Will you uphold them in their ministry?

*People*

**We will.**

*Sit*

## ¶ *The Declaration*

*The candidates stand before the Bishop*

*Bishop*

Priests are called by God to work with the bishop and with their fellow-priests, as servants and shepherds among the people to whom they are sent. They are to proclaim the word of the Lord, to call their hearers to repentance, and in Christ's name to absolve, and to declare the forgiveness of sins. They are to baptize, and prepare the baptized for Confirmation. They are to preside at the celebration of the Holy Communion. They are to lead their people in prayer and worship, to intercede for them, to bless them in the name of the Lord, and to teach and encourage by word and example. They are to minister to the sick, and prepare the dying for their death. They must set the Good Shepherd always before them as the pattern of their calling, caring for the people committed to their charge, and joining with them in a common witness to the world.

In the name of our Lord we bid you remember the greatness of the trust now to be committed to your charge, about which you have been taught in your preparation for this ministry. You are to be messengers, watchmen, and stewards of the Lord; you are to teach and to admonish, to feed and to provide for the Lord's family, to search for his children in the wilderness of this world's temptations and to guide them through its confusions, so that they may be saved through Christ for ever.

Remember always with thanksgiving that the treasure now to be entrusted to you is Christ's own flock, bought through the shedding of his blood on the cross. The Church and congregation among whom you will serve are one with him: they are his body. Serve them with joy, build them up in faith, and do all in your power to bring them to loving obedience to Christ.

Because you cannot bear the weight of this ministry in your own strength but only by the grace and power of God, pray earnestly for his Holy Spirit. Pray that he will each day enlarge and enlighten your understanding of the Scriptures, so that you may grow stronger and more mature in your ministry, as you fashion your life and the lives of your people on the word of God.

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 give yourselves wholly to his service and devote to him your best powers of mind and spirit, so that, as you daily follow the rule and teaching of our Lord, with the heavenly assistance of his Holy Spirit, you may grow up into his likeness, and sanctify the lives of all with whom you have to do.

*The Bishop says to those who are to be ordained*

In order that we may know your mind and purpose, and that you may be strengthened in your resolve to fulfil your ministry, you must make the declarations we now put to you.

Do you believe, so far as you know your own heart, that God has called you to the office and work of a priest in his Church?

*Answer*

I believe that God has called me.

*Bishop*

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

*Answer*

I do so accept them.

*Bishop*

Do you believe the doctrine of the Christian faith as the Church of England has received it, and in your ministry will you expound and teach it?

*Answer*

I believe it, and will so do.

*Bishop*

Will you accept the discipline of this Church, and give due respect to those in authority?

*Answer*

By the help of God, I will.

*Bishop*

Will you be diligent in prayer, in reading holy Scripture, and in all studies that will deepen your faith and fit you to uphold the truth of the Gospel against error?

*Answer*

By the help of God, I will.

*Bishop*

Will you strive to fashion your own life and that of your household according to the way of Christ?

*Answer*

By the help of God, I will.

*Bishop*

Will you promote unity, peace, and love among all Christian people, and especially among those whom you serve?

*Answer*

By the help of God, I will.

*Bishop*

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 to all?

*Answer*

By the help of God, I will.

*Bishop*

Almighty God, who has given you the will to undertake all these things, give you also the strength to perform them; that he may complete that work which he has begun in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Kneel*

## **The Prayers**

*The Bishop commends those who are to be ordained to the prayers of the people 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.

*Latin, 9<sup>th</sup> cent., tr. John Cosin (1594–1672)*  
*Tune: Veni Creator Spiritus*

*Bishop*

Let us pray

*The Bishop of Sherwood leads The Prayers for the candidates and  
for the ministry of the whole Church.*

God the Father,  
**have mercy on us.**  
God the Son,  
**have mercy on us.**  
God the Holy Spirit,  
**have mercy on us.**  
Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity,  
**have mercy on us.**

From all evil and mischief;  
from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy;  
from envy, hatred, and malice;  
and from all evil intent,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From sloth, worldliness, and love of money;  
from hardness of heart  
and contempt for your word and your laws,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From sins of body and mind;  
from the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,  
from error and false doctrine,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

In all times of sorrow,  
in all times of joy;  
in the hour of death,  
and at the day of judgement,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and  
grant it that unity which is your will.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to  
make disciples of all the nations.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Enlighten your ministers with knowledge and understanding, that  
by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Bless your servants now to be made priests,  
that they may serve your Church and reveal your glory in the  
world.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Give your people grace to hear and receive your word, and to  
bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

**Hear us, good Lord.**

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted;  
raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

**Hear us, good Lord**

Give us true repentance;  
forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance, and our deliberate  
sins;

and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit  
to amend our lives according to your holy word.

**Holy God,  
holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.**

*Bishop*

Lord, you are merciful and forgive our sins. You hear those who  
pray in the name of your Son. Grant that what we have asked in  
faith we may obtain according to your will; through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ *The Ordination*

*The Bishop stands with the priests who assist him; the candidates  
kneel before him; he stretches out his hands towards them, and  
says*

We praise and glorify you, almighty Father, because 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 to be the Apostle and High Priest of our  
faith, and the Shepherd of our souls.

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, making some, apostles; some,  
prophets; some, evangelists; some, pastors and teachers; to  
equip your people for the work of ministry and to build up his  
body.

And now we give you thanks that you have called these

your servants, whom we ordain in your name, to share this ministry entrusted to your Church.

*Here the Bishops and priests lay their hands on the head of each candidate, and the Bishop says*

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

*When the Bishop has laid hands on all of them, he continues*

Almighty Father, give to these your servants grace and power to fulfil their ministry among those committed to their charge; to watch over them and care for them; to absolve and bless them in your name, and to proclaim the gospel of your salvation. Set them among your people to offer with them spiritual sacrifices acceptable in your sight and to minister the sacraments of the new covenant. As you have called them to your service, make them worthy of their calling. Give them wisdom and discipline to work faithfully with their fellow-servants in Christ, that the world may come to know your glory and your love.

Accept our prayers, most merciful Father, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit, belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Giving of the Bible**

*The newly-ordained priests stand, and the Bishop gives the Bible to each one, saying*

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.

### **¶ The Communion**

*Stand*

### **The Peace**

*Bishop*

We are fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

**Preparation of the Table  
Taking of the Bread and Wine**

*The Offertory Hymn is sung, and a collection is taken for the  
Ordination Candidates fund.*

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.

*William Chatterton Dix (1837 – 1898)*

*Tune: Hyfrydol, R.H. Pritchard (1811 – 1887)*

### **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Bishop*

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.**

Father, you made the world and love your creation.  
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.  
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And now we give you thanks  
because within the royal priesthood of your Church  
you ordain ministers to proclaim the word of God,  
to care for your people,  
and to celebrate the sacraments of the new covenant.  
And so we gladly thank you,  
with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

*The Choir sings*

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, dominus deus sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.  
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Osanna in excelsis.  
*Holy, holy, holy, 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*

*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.

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

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 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. **Amen.**

*Kneel*

## The Lord's Prayer

*Bishop*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray,  
**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 Bread

*Bishop*

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.**

*Agnus Dei is sung by the Choir*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace*

## Giving of Communion

*Bishop*

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.

*The newly-ordained receive communion first. Members of the  
congregation who intend to receive communion are asked to move  
to communion points at the direction of the stewards.*

*During Communion the Choir sings:*

Sacerdotes Domini incensum et panes offerunt Deo

Et ideo sancti erunt Deo suo

Et non pollutent nomen eius, Alleluia

*The priests of the Lord offer incense and loaves to God*

*and therefore they shall be holy to their God and shall not defile his name.*

*Alleluia*

*William Byrd 1543 - 1632*

*All are invited to sing the following hymns*

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;  
here faith would touch and handle things unseen;  
here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,  
and all my weariness upon thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God;  
here drink with thee the royal wine of heaven;  
here would I lay aside each earthly load;  
here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

I have no help but thine; nor do I need  
another arm save thine to lean upon;  
it is enough, my Lord, enough indeed,  
my strength is in thy might, thy might alone.

*Horatius Bonar (1808 – 89)*

*Tune: Toulon, Louis Bourgeois (1510– 1561)*

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here;  
come bow before Him now with reverence and fear.  
in Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground;  
be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;  
He burns with holy fire, with splendour He is crowned.  
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!  
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;  
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace.  
No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him;  
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

*David J. Evans. © 1986 Kingsway's Thankyou Music.*

**After Communion**

*Bishop*

Father,

you have appointed your Son  
to be our high priest for ever.

Fulfil now your purpose in choosing these your servants  
to be ministers and stewards of your word and sacraments;  
and grant that they may be found faithful  
in the ministry they have received;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**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.**

## Hymn

Church of God, elect and glorious,  
holy nation, chosen race;  
called as God's own special people,  
royal priests and heirs of grace:  
know the purpose of your calling,  
show to all his mighty deeds;  
tell of love which knows no limits,  
grace which meets all human needs.

God has called you out of darkness  
into his most marvellous light;  
brought his truth to light within you,  
turned your blindness into sight.  
Let your light so shine around you  
that God's name is glorified;  
and all find fresh hope and purpose  
in Christ Jesus crucified.

Once you were an alien people,  
strangers to God's heart of love;  
but he brought you home in mercy,  
citizens of heaven above.  
Let his love flow out to others,  
let them feel a Father's care;  
that they too may know his welcome  
and his countless blessings share.

Church of God elect and holy,  
be the people he intends;  
strong in faith and swift to answer  
each command your master sends:  
royal priests, fulfil your calling  
through your sacrifice and prayer;  
give your lives in joyful service;  
sing his praise, his love declare.

*James E. Seddon (1915 – 1983)*

*Tune: Abbots Leigh, Cyril Taylor (1907 – 1991)*

## **The Dismissal**

*Bishop*

Almighty God,  
who for the salvation of the world  
gives to his people many gifts and ministries  
to the advancement of his glory,  
stir up in you the gifts of his grace,  
sustain each one of you in your own ministry;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Please remain standing for the departure of the Bishop with the  
newly ordained Priests, the Clergy and Cathedral Choir*