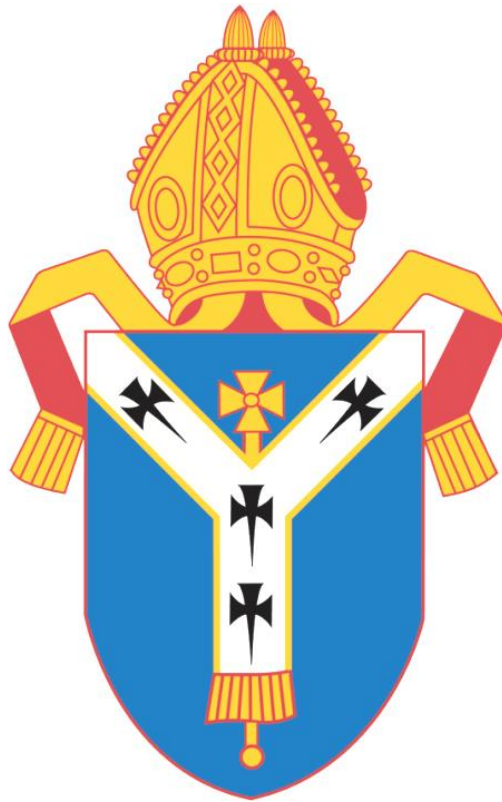




THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

# Ordination of Priests



Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2026

2.30pm

Nave

# Welcome to Canterbury Cathedral for this Service

Please ask the priest if you require a gluten-free communion wafer

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please ask one of the stewards,  
who will be pleased to assist you.



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## **The Ordination of Priests**

The ministry of the Church is the ministry of Christ, its chief shepherd and high priest. The ordained ministry is Christ's gift to his Church, and in their life and ministry, bishops, priests and deacons are called to speak in Christ's name and build up the Church of which he is the head. In this way the whole body of the Church is ordered in faithful response to the Lord's summons to share his work.

The ministry of priests is focussed in calling the Church to enter into Christ's self-offering to the Father, drawing God's people into a life transformed and sanctified.

*from 'Introduction by the House of Bishops' to  
Common Worship: Ordination Services (2007)*

*Before this service, the Ordinands have taken the Oath of Allegiance to His Majesty The King and the Oath of Canonical Obedience to the Archbishop of Canterbury, and made the following Declaration of Assent:*

### **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**

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.

# The Ordinands

James Barber, *Birchington with Acol and Minnis Bay*

Eddie Bijl, *Whitstable Team Ministry*

Ripeka Bijl, *Whitstable Team Ministry*

Margaret Bowers, *River*

Lesley Brookes, *Shepherds Lees*

Stephen Brown, *Cheriton with Newington*

Benjamin de Garis, *Margate, Holy Trinity*

Timothy Gosden, *Folkestone, St John the Baptist*

Penny Lowe, *Romney Marsh*

David Mulcock, *Margate, St Paul Cliftonville*

Henry Setright, *Tenterden, Rother, and Oxney*

Graham Snellin, *Dover Town*

Angela Swindley, *Canterbury, All Saints*

Anne Talbert, *Canonry Benefice*

Nicholas Tomaszewski, *Upper Deal and Great Mongeham*

Philip Trainer, *Maidstone, St Luke*

John Wakeman, *Upper Deal and Great Mongeham*

Tracy Williams, *Bapchild, St Laurence*

Sally Willins, *The Wantsum Group*

Anderson Yan, *Hythe*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Please remain seated when, shortly before the service begins, a procession enters the Cathedral via the West Door in the following order:*

*A virger*

*Supporting Clergy  
Area Deans and Lay Chairs*

*During the opening hymn, all stand as the main procession enters the Cathedral via the West Door in the following order:*

*Crossbearer and Taperers*

*Assistant Diocesan Director of Ordinands*

*The Reverend Clair Ullmann*

*The Diocesan Registrar and the Director of Mission and Ministry  
Training Incumbents*

*A virger*

*The Chapter*

*A virger*

*The Diocesan Director of Ordinands*

*The Deacon of the Liturgy*

*The Dean*

*The Bishop*

*Chaplain*

*The Archdeacons*

*The Ordinands*

*A welcome and explanation of the service is offered*



*The Bishop introduces the service*

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.

## **Prayers of Penitence**

*The Deacon of the Liturgy says*

As we gather before God,  
and trusting in his grace alone,  
let us join with these ordinands in confessing our sins.

*All kneel or sit to say*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*The Bishop says*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness  
and keep you in life eternal,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Remain seated for*

## **The Presentation**

*The Archdeacons present the Ordinands*

Reverend Mother in God, I present ... to be ordained to the office of priest in the Church of God; *he/she* is to serve in the parish of ... .

*When the Ordinands have been presented they turn to face the Bishop*

*The Bishop asks these questions, to which the Diocesan Director of Ordinands responds*

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

*Director of Ordinands* They have.

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

*Director of Ordinands* They do.

*The Bishop turns to the Ordinands and says*

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

*Ordinands* **I do so believe.**

*The Bishop continues*

I invite the Diocesan Registrar to confirm that the Ordinands have taken the necessary oaths and made the Declaration of Assent.

*The Diocesan Registrar says*

They have duly taken the oath of allegiance to the Sovereign and the oath of canonical obedience to the Archbishop. 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 says*

Let us pray for those to be ordained today  
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. **Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **Old Testament Reading**      *Isaiah 52.7-10*

*Read by The Reverend Clair Ullmann, from the Episcopal Church in Europe, celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her ordination in Canterbury Cathedral*

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.'

Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion.

Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

This is the word of the Lord.

### **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand as the Deacon says the Alleluia and we respond*

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed apostles sing praise; prophets and martyrs give glory:

'For your majesty praise the Spirit, praise the Son!'

### **Alleluia, alleluia.**

### **The Gospel**      *John 10.1-16*

The Lord be with you.

### **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

### **Glory to you, O Lord**

Jesus said

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf

snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

*The Organist plays a Gospel fanfare*

*Once the Sermon has been introduced please sit*

**Sermon**        The Archdeacon of Canterbury

*Following the Sermon please remain seated for a short time of silence*

## **The Liturgy of Ordination**

*The congregation remains seated*

### **The Declarations**

*The Ordinands stand before the Bishop, who addresses the congregation*

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 congregation stands and the ordinands turn to face them  
The Bishop addresses 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*

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 congregation kneel or sit and silence is kept*



*Bishop:*

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,

<sup>3</sup>Anoint and cheer our soiled face

**All: And lighten with celestial fire;**

**With the abundance of thy grace:**

**Thou the anointing Spirit art,**

**Keep far our foes, give peace at home;**

**Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.**

**Where thou art guide no ill can come.**

<sup>2</sup>Thy blessed unction from above

<sup>4</sup>Teach us to know the Father, Son,

**Is comfort, life, and fire of love;**

**And thee, of Both, to be but One;**

**Enable with perpetual light**

**That through the ages all along**

**The dullness of our blinded sight:**

**This may be our endless song,**

**Praise to thy eternal merit,**

**Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Words: John Cosin (1594-1672)

Tune: VENI CREATOR (MECHLIN)

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## **The Litany**

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

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.



*Let us pray to the Lord.*

**Lord, have mer-cy.**

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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For Sarah, our Archbishop, Bishop Rose, and for all bishops, presbyters  
and deacons, that they may hunger for truth and thirst after  
righteousness,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those called to be priests in the Church,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**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.

**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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who do not yet believe, that they may receive the light of the  
gospel, and for those whose faith has grown cold,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**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.

**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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**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.

**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;  
**To you, O Lord.**



*and our whole life to Christ our God; To you, O Lord.*

*The Ordinands stand before the Bishop, who stands to pray*

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 priests 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:

*Here the bishops and priests lay their hands on the head of each  
Ordinand, and the Bishop says*

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

*When the Bishop has laid hands on all of the Ordinands, 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.

**Amen.**

## **Anointing of the Priests**

*The Bishop anoints the palms of the newly ordained priests, then says*

May God, who anointed Christ with the Holy Spirit at his baptism,  
anoint and empower you to reconcile and bless his people.

## **The Giving of the Bible and Vesting of the Priests**

*The Bishop gives the Bible to each of the newly ordained priests  
When all have received the Bible, the Bishop says*

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 Archdeacons then vest the newly ordained priests*

## **The Welcome**

*When the vesting is completed, The Dean says to the newly ordained  
priests*

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

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

*Stand*

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*The Bishop says*

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.

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

*The Deacon says*

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Members of the congregation greet one another.*

*Remain standing to sing*

**The Offertory Hymn** *during which the table is prepared and a collection is received for the Ordination Candidates Training Fund.*



O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my dear Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!

<sup>2</sup>Jesus! the name that charms our fears,  
that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life, and health, and peace.

<sup>3</sup>He breaks the power of cancelled sin,  
he sets the prisoner free:  
his blood can make the foulest clean;  
his blood availed for me.

<sup>4</sup>He speaks; and, listening to his voice,  
new life the dead receive,  
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
the humble poor believe.

<sup>5</sup>Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,  
your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Saviour come;  
and leap, ye lame, for joy!

<sup>6</sup>My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim  
and spread through all the earth abroad  
the honours of thy name.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Tune: LYNNGHAM

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## The Eucharistic Prayer

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.**

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 saying:

*We say*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, 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**

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:  
**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.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*The Bishop says*

As we join our prayers with the Church Universal, so we say,  
each in our own language, the prayer that Jesus taught us.

**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.**

*Notre Père...*

*Vater Unser...*

*Onze Vader...*

*Padre Nuestro...*

*Ojcie Nasz...*

*Baba Yetu...*

*E to matou Matua...*

*Ein Tad...*

*Πάτερ ἡμῶν*

*Remain standing for*

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The Bishop breaks the consecrated bread, saying*

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**

*We say*

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

*The Bishop says*

Come to this table, not because you must but because you may,  
not because you are strong, but because you are weak.

Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you a right to come,  
but because you need mercy and help.

Come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more.

Come, because he loved you and gave himself for you.

Come and meet the risen Christ, for we are his Body.

*Sit as the Bishop and other ministers begin*

## **The Distribution of Communion**

*Please come up for Communion as directed by the stewards. All baptised Christians who receive communion in their own church are encouraged to receive today. If you are accompanied by children who do not yet receive, please bring them with you to receive a blessing. They must not be left on their own.*

*If you are not a communicant, you are welcome to come forward at this point in the service to receive a blessing, keeping your hands to your sides. Please ask the priest if you **need a gluten-free host**.*

*We request that **you do not intinct (dip) your host in the wine** but either take a sip from the cup or remain with your head bowed. This is for the reasons of good hygiene.*

*If you wish to receive communion in your seat, please inform a steward.*

*We keep a **prayerful silence** during Communion to allow others to prepare to receive the sacrament or pray afterwards.*

*During Communion, we remain seated to sing*



Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
in you and you in me?

<sup>2</sup>Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer  
in you and you in me?

<sup>3</sup>Will you let the blinded see  
if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free  
and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean,  
and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean  
in you and you in me?

<sup>4</sup>Will you love the 'you' you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?

<sup>5</sup>Lord, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.

*Words:* John Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958) *Tune:* KELVINGROVE AM 510

## Prayer after Communion

*Stand as the Bishop says*

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept*

Lord God, heavenly Father,  
grant to your Church today the faith of her apostles,  
the hope of her martyrs and the love of her Lord,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## The Sending Out

*Stand to sing*



Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;  
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

<sup>2</sup>Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;  
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;  
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

<sup>3</sup>Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;  
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

<sup>4</sup>Riches I heed not, nor earth's empty praise:  
be thou mine inheritance now and always;  
be thou and thou only the first in my heart;  
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

<sup>5</sup>High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after victory is won;  
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: Irish c 8<sup>th</sup> century  
Tr M Byrne (1880-1931)

Tune: SLANE

AM 595

## **Blessing and Dismissal**

*The Bishop says*

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**who has made heaven and earth.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
**now and forever. Amen.**

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.  
**Amen.**

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

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

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

*The Deacon says*

Go in the light and peace of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Organ Voluntary**

*All remain standing as the procession leaves in the following order*

*(Applause is appropriate at this point)*

*Crossbearer and Taperers*

*A virger*

*The Bishop*

*Newly Ordained Priests*

*The Deacon of the Liturgy*

*The Dean*

*The Diocesan Director of Ordinands*

*The Archdeacons*

*The Chaplain*

*The other clergy and laity are then virged to their robing places as follows*

*To St Andrew's Chapel*

*Training Representatives*

*The Reverend Clair Ullmann*

*The Diocesan Registrar and the Director of Mission and Ministry*

*Assistant Diocesan Directors of Ordinands*

*A virger*

*The Chapter*

*To the Chapter House*

*A virger*

*Supporting Clergy*

*Area Deans and Lay Chairs*