



# **EUCCHARIST**

## **with the Ordination of Deacons**

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The Right Reverend Saju Muthalaly  
Bishop of Loughborough

***Preacher***

The Reverend Vanessa Conant  
Team Rector in the Walthamstow Team Ministry

***Deacon***

The Reverend Wendy Dalrymple  
Rector of All Saints' Church, Loughborough

**10.45am**  
**Sunday 2 July 2023**  
**All Saints' Church, Loughborough**

*Please pray for all those being ordained throughout the Church at this time.  
Please also pray for the Colleges and Courses where candidates from our  
Diocese have been trained and the parishes in which they will serve.*

## **Those being ordained deacon in this Church today:**



### **Cecilia Adjadje**

A gorgeous baby Cecilia was born and raised from a humble Nigerian Christian family. She has a BSc in Computer science, MSC Information system Management and an MBA. She studied theology St Mellitus College East Midlands. She has wealth of experience as a system analyst, Customer Service and Marketing. Cecilia is married to her heartthrob Peter and the marriage is blessed with 3 adorable children.

Cecilia's call to ordained ministry was affirmed by her late mother, friends and Bishop. Her unrelenting passion to spread the word of God stood firm knowing that when God calls, He equips. I am overjoyed to be the heart and hand of the Almighty, serving God's people with The Reverend Adrian Jones at St Mary Magdalene Church, Knighton.



### **Bob Edge**

I was brought up in the Scottish Episcopal Church. I was drawn to ordination as a young teenager but I erred and strayed for many years. I have been a social worker for thirty years. I studied Theology, Ministry & Mission at St Mellitus College.

I play the fiddle for Morris Dancers and guitar in a ceilidh band. I'm married to Ange. We have a cat called Alan. My children, Lucy & Jack (twins) are both health care professionals. I'm looking forward to getting my sleeves rolled up and really engaging with the churches in the Barrow & Wolds Group.



### **Dave Rollett**

God got hold of me when I was working as Personal Trainer and a Doorman. A reorientation to following Jesus came with a new-found love for his Church and his world. At the time ordination was the last thing on my mind but as I followed God opened doors to learn and serve in a breadth of contexts, including a reconnection with my Anglican roots as an Assistant Minister in Colchester and a stint in Tanzania with the Diocese of Ruaha. My family (Tricia, Titus and Cassian) and I returned to the UK to work with St John's, Hinckley and ordination caught up with me!



### **Linda Harwood**

Born in Leicester into a loving Christian family, I became a Christian at an early age and have always felt a call upon my life to serve God. I trained as a nurse and worked in the NHS (mainly GP surgeries) for 30 years.

Five years ago, I had a career change and studied theology at CYM St John's Nottingham and became the family and children's worker for St Cuthbert's Church Great Glen where I started exploring my call to ordained ministry. I have been studying part time at St Mellitus College (East Midlands)

Married to Simon, two married sons, I love being Granny to two amazing grandchildren. I'm an avid crafter, love music and singing. Excited about starting as curate at St Peter's Church Oadby getting to know the congregation and the local community, learning how to serve them, and sharing the message of hope that we have in Christ.



### **Geoff Pinnington**

Born in Nottingham, I have lived most of my life in Liverpool. I have been a Boys' Brigade Officer, Sunday School Leader, Civil Servant, Training Officer, Justice of the Peace and Reader. I am married to Gill and have a son, Michael, who is married to Jo, and a grandson, Thomas. I am an avid *Doctor Who* fan and enjoy drawing and listening to pop music. Gill is Vicar at Christ Church, Coalville. We have been there five years and God told me that he wanted me to be ordained not long after arriving. I've trained at St Mellitus College, Nottingham, and I am excited at being Curate in Coalville and being involved in shaping a Minster Community.

## **Safety Note**

In case of emergency, please follow the direction of the Steward Team wearing rainbow lanyards to your nearest exit.

## **Additional Information**



*Visitors to the Church are requested to note that the use of all audio and visual equipment is not permitted during worship. Your cooperation is appreciated.*



*There is a hearing loop fitted across the central part of the church, please ask a steward where to sit.*

*Toilets and baby change facilities are situated at the front left-hand side of the church.*

*When prompted to stand, please only do so if you feel able and comfortable.*

*The music at this service is led by members of All Saints Contemporary Collective, directed by Kate Burns, and the All Saints Choir directed by Simon Headley, who is also principal organist and plays today. The Mass setting is The Mass of the Bread of Life by Margaret Rizza (b.1929).*

*This service will be live-streamed for those unable to attend in person and will also be available to watch on the YouTube channel of All Saints' Church Loughborough. Most of the views will be of those leading the service and the ordinands but you may be seen in some of the broader congregational shots. We do not film people coming up to take communion and please ask a steward if you would like to be seated in an area not seen on camera.*

*We welcome the noise of infants into our midst at this service. There are some activities available to do in the pew and if at any time young ones become very restless and as parents/carers you feel the need to escape there is a small crèche room at the front left-hand side of the church where there are further toys and the service can be heard through a speaker.*

## Introduction

Ordination is not just a special moment for the individual concerned but also for their family, friends and indeed the whole church. So, we are very pleased to welcome you today for this deeply significant service, recognizing that you represent others too who aren't able to be here.

God's call comes to us in many different ways. Each person being ordained has their own story to tell about how God called them and how their response led to this moment. Some of you will have accompanied them on this journey of exploring God's call. Some of you may even sense within this service "the faintest echo of a whisper of the voice of the God" calling you. If so, please don't be afraid to speak to someone about this. Most of us start off thinking "God would never call me" but the truth is that God calls every one of us – some to ordination, some to lay ministry in the church, some to the ministry of healing, teaching, administration or service in the wider world. The important thing is not to ignore God's call because it truly is the path to fulfillment and purpose in life.

So we invite you to pray with us for those being ordained, and to commit yourself to go on praying for them and supporting them in their ministry. There are many challenges in today's world and we need ordained priests and deacons to both remind us that God is present and active in the world and also help us make sense of it all.

I would like to extend my personal thanks to Revd Vanessa Conant, Team Rector in the Walthamstow Team Ministry, who has led the ordination retreat this week which I know has been an inspiring experience for all those being ordained. I have also spent time with each of the ordinands during this week at Launde including the very moving experience of washing their feet, as we all seek to follow the example of our Lord and Saviour.

Thank you for being a part of today's service.

*Bishop Saju*

# THE DECLARATION OF ASSENT AND OATHS

*Before the service the candidates will have made the Declaration of Assent and taken the Oaths of Allegiance and of Canonical Obedience.*

## **The Declaration of Assent**

*Preface (spoken by the Bishop):*

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?

*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 authorised or allowed by Canon.

## **The Oath of Allegiance**

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.

## **The Oath of Canonical Obedience**

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

## THE GATHERING

*Music is played as the congregation gathers including this song which we you are welcome to join in with as we remain seated.*

**Your love, shining like the sun,  
pouring like the rain,  
raging like the storm,  
refreshing me again.  
I receive your love.**

**Your grace frees me from the past,  
it purges every sin,  
it purifies my heart  
and heals me from within,  
I receive your grace.**

***Pour over me,  
pour over me,  
let your rain flood this thirsty soul.  
pour over me your waves of love,  
pour over me.***

**I come and lay my burden down  
gladly at your feet,  
I'm opening up my heart,  
come make this joy complete;  
I receive your peace.**

***Pour over me...***

*Stuart Townend (b.1963)*

*15 minutes before the service begins, the Rector will give a welcome to the Church on behalf of the ministry and warden team of All Saints' and will introduce some of the music we shall be using.*

*10 minutes before the service begins, the candidates for ordination are informally led by the Director of Ordinands and the Head of Learning and Ministry Development to their places with their families.*

*The following song is played to lead us into worship, please remain seated to join in.*

**I just want to say thank you Father, thank you.  
I just want to say thank you Father. Thanks.**

*Yoruba*

**I just want to say Baba O Eshe  
I just want to say Baba O Eshe**

*Tamil*

**I just want to say Nandri Appa  
I just want to say Nandri Appa**

*Yoruba*

**I just want to say Baba O Eshe  
I just want to say Baba O Eshe**

**Oluwa Esheun O, Ese-e**

**Oluwa Esheun O, Ese**

*x2 (Translation: Mighty God thank you)*

**I just want to say thank you Father, thank you.  
I just want to say thank you Father. Thanks.**

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*All stand to sing as the Bishop, Training Incumbents and other ministers enter in procession.*

- 1. God is here! As we his people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of his Spirit into open minds and hearts.**
- 2. Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal God the Spirit comes to each.**
- 3. Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold, here, as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.**
- 4. Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel, help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive: we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe.**

*All remain standing. The Rt Revd Saju Muthalaly, Bishop of Loughborough, leads*

## **The Greeting**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

There is one body and one spirit.

**There is one hope to which we were called;**

one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**one God and Father of all.**

Peace be with you

**and also with you**

*All sit. The Bishop welcomes the Congregation and introduces the Service.*

## **The Introduction**

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. Deacons are ordained so that the people of God may be better equipped to make Christ known. Theirs is a life of visible self-giving. Christ is the pattern of their calling and their commission; as he washed the feet of his disciples, so they must wash the feet of others.



*All remain seated for*

## **The Presentation**

*The Archdeacons stand, and The Venerable Richard Worsfold, Archdeacon of Leicester, presents those to be ordained deacon to the Bishop.*

Bishop Saju, we present to be ordained to the office of deacon in the Church of God, N.

*When the Ordinands have been presented, the Bishop asks The Revd Sue Willetts, Diocesan Director of Ordinands, and The Revd Dr Rob Hay, Head of Learning and Ministry Development*

DDO/HLMD            Have those whose duty it is to know these Ordinands and examine them found them to be of godly life and sound learning?  
They have.

DDO/HLMD            Do they believe them to be duly called to serve God in this ministry?  
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 and The Venerable Claire Wood, Archdeacon of Loughborough, to confirm that the Ordinands have taken the necessary Oaths and made the Declaration of Assent.

Archdeacon            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'.

*All stand. The Bishop leads*

## **The Collect**

Let us pray for  
Cecilia, Bob, Dave, Linda, and Geoff,  
who are being ordained here 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

*All sit for*

## **The First Reading**

### **Psalm 139**

*Read by Isabel Sandford, member of All Saints' congregation*

A reading of Psalm 139.

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.  
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
you discern my thoughts from far away.  
You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.  
Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.  
You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.  
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.  
Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?  
If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.  
If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,  
even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.  
If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,  
and the light around me become night,"  
even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day,  
for darkness is as light to you.  
For it was you who formed my inward parts;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.  
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.  
My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret,  
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.  
Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the  
days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.  
How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!  
I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—  
I am still with you.  
O that you would kill the wicked, O God,  
and that the bloodthirsty would depart from me—  
those who speak of you maliciously, and lift themselves up against you for evil!  
Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD?  
And do I not loathe those who rise up against you?  
I hate them with perfect hatred; I count them my enemies.

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts.  
See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Hear the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand and turn to face the reader of the Gospel*

## The Gospel Acclamation

*which is sung first by the Choir, then by the Congregation*

*organ*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Choir* Father we praise you as Lord,  
all of the earth gives you worship,  
for your majesty fills the heavens, fills the earth.

**All Alleluia.**

*The Deacon reads*

## The Gospel Reading

Luke 15.11–32

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

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

Then Jesus said, ‘There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, “Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.” So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant

country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate.

'Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found." '

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*All sit for*

## **The Sermon**

The Revd Vanessa Conant, Team Rector in the Walthamstow Team Ministry

# THE LITURGY OF ORDINATION

*All remain seated for*

## **The Declarations**

*The Ordinands stand and the Bishop of Loughborough addresses the Congregation*

Deacons are called to work with the Bishop and the priests with whom they serve as heralds of Christ's kingdom. They are to proclaim the gospel in word and deed, as agents of God's purposes of love. They are to serve the community in which they are set, bringing to the Church the needs and hopes of all the people. They are to work with their fellow members in searching out the poor and weak, the sick and lonely and those who are oppressed and powerless, reaching into the forgotten corners of the world that the love of God may be made visible. Deacons share in the pastoral ministry of the Church and in leading God's people in worship. They preach the word and bring the needs of the world before the Church in intercession. They accompany those searching for faith and bring them to baptism. They assist in administering the sacraments; they distribute communion and minister to the sick and housebound.

Deacons are to seek nourishment from the Scriptures; they are to study them with God's people that the whole Church may be equipped to live out the gospel in the world. They are to be faithful in prayer, expectant and watchful for the signs of God's presence, as he reveals his kingdom among us.

*The Bishop addresses the Ordinands directly*

We trust that you are fully determined, by the grace of God, to give yourself wholly to his service, that you may draw his people into that new life which God has prepared for those who love him.

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

- Bishop* 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.
- Bishop* 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.
- 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?
- Ordinands* I believe it and will so do.
- Bishop* Will you strive to make the love of Christ known through word and example, and have a particular care for those in need?
- Ordinands* By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop* Will you be a faithful servant in the household of God, after the example of Christ, who came not to be served but to serve?
- Ordinands* By the help of God, I will.
- Bishop* 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.
- Bishop* 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.
- Bishop* Will you accept the discipline of this Church and give due respect to those in authority?
- Ordinands* 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 grow in holiness and grace?
- Ordinands* By the help of God, I will.

*All stand.*

*The Bishop addresses the whole people of God*

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?

**It is.**

Will you continually pray for them?

**We will.**

Will you uphold and encourage them in their ministry?

**We will.**

*The Bishop continues, addressing the Ordinands*

In the name of our Lord, we bid you remember the greatness of the trust in which you are now to share: the ministry of Christ himself, who for our sake took the form of a servant.

Remember always with thanksgiving that the people among whom you will minister are made in God's image and likeness. In serving them you are serving Christ himself, before whom you will be called to account.

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.



All remain seated. The Bishop introduces

## The Litany

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

*The Revd Canon Emma Davies, Canon Precentor, leads the prayers for the Ordinands and for the ministry of the whole Church.*

After each petition please join in with the words **Lord have mercy:**

The image shows musical notation for the phrase "Lord have mercy." It consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter). The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The accompaniment is: G2 (quarter), A2 (quarter), B2 (quarter), C3 (quarter), B2-A2 (beamed eighth notes), G2 (quarter), F#2 (quarter), E2 (quarter), D2 (quarter). The lyrics "Lord have mercy." are written below the notes.

Let us pray to the Lord:

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.  
**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.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For all bishops, priests and deacons,  
that they may hunger for truth and thirst after righteousness,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For Cecilia, Bob, Dave, Linda, and Geoff,  
and for all those called to be deacons in his 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 are lost and for those who have strayed,  
that they may return to the way of Christ,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and the 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 those 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.**



... to Christ, our God:

*The Bishop concludes the Litany with the following Collect:*

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.**

*All remain seated for*

## **The Ordination Prayer**

*The Bishop of Loughborough stretches out his hands towards the Ordinands and says*

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 sent your only Son Jesus Christ  
to take the form of a slave;  
he humbled himself for our sake,  
and in obedience accepted death,  
even death on a cross.

We praise and glorify you  
because in every age you send your Spirit  
to fill those whom you have chosen,  
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 deacons in the ministry of the gospel of Christ,  
who came not to be served but to serve,  
and to give his life as a ransom for many.  
Therefore, Father, through Christ our Lord we pray:

*Each Ordinand comes to the Bishop in turn.*

*The Bishop lays his hands on the head of each Ordinand, saying*

Send down the Holy Spirit on your servant N  
for the office and work of a deacon 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 fulfil their ministry.  
Make them faithful to serve  
and constant in advancing your gospel in the world.  
May they follow the example of Jesus Christ your Son,  
who washed the feet of his disciples,  
and set the needs of others before his own.  
May their life be disciplined and holy,  
their words declare your love  
and their actions reveal your glory,  
that your people may walk with them in the way of truth  
and be made ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit,  
belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

*All remain seated for*

## **The Giving of the Bible**

*The Bishop gives a copy of The New Testament to each of the newly ordained deacons, saying*

N, receive this book.

This is a sign of the authority given you this day  
to speak God's word to his people.

Build them up in his truth and serve them in his name.

*The Training Incumbents place a stole over the left shoulder of each deacon.*

*All stand for*

## **The Welcome**

*The Revd Canon Karen Rooms, Acting Dean of Leicester, says to the new deacons*

We preach not ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord  
and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

**We welcome you as fellow servants in the Gospel:  
may Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,  
that you may be rooted and grounded in love.**

*Please greet the new deacons with applause!*

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*All remain standing. The Bishop introduces*

## The Peace

Christ is our peace.  
If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.  
The old order has passed away: behold, the new has come.

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

*Deacon* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All remain standing to sing the next hymn sung in Persian and English.*

*During this hymn the altar is prepared. If you wish to make a gift of money this may be done using this QR code or after the service using the card readers at the back of church or by leaving a cash donation in the plate. All donations will aid the mission and ministry of this Church of All Saints in Loughborough. Thank you!*



Make a gift

**Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King,  
his love endures forever,  
for he is good, he is above all things,  
his love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise,  
sing praise, sing praise.**

***Forever, God is faithful.  
Forever, God is strong.  
Forever, God is with us.  
Forever, forever.***

**With a mighty hand and outstretched arm  
Esh hash taw abad paw barjost عشقش تا ابد پا برجاست  
(His love endures forever)**

**For the life that's been reborn  
Esh hash taw abad paw barjost عشقش تا ابد پا برجاست  
(His love endures forever)**

**Daw away nyoï esh x2 ستایش بخوان  
(Sing praise)**

**Forever, God is faithful...**

**From the rising to the setting sun**

**Esh hash taw abad paw barjost عشقش تا ابد پا برجاست**

**By the grace of God, we will carry on**

**Esh hash taw abad paw barjost عشقش تا ابد پا برجاست**

**Daw awayay nyoï esh x2 ستایش بخوان**

**Forever, God is faithful...(x2)**

*Robin Mark (b.1957)*

*All remain standing. The Bishop leads*

## **The Prayer over the Gifts**

Heavenly Father,  
as we set before you these gifts of bread and wine,  
bless also the gift of our hearts and minds  
as we offer our lives in your service;  
for Jesus Christ's sake.  
**Amen.**

*All remain standing. The Bishop leads*

## **The Eucharistic Prayer (E)**

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 servant, Jesus Christ our Lord.

At his baptism he was revealed as your beloved Son.  
Coming among us as one who serves,  
he taught us that the greatest in your kingdom  
are those who make themselves least and the servants of all.

Although he was their teacher and their Lord,  
 he washed the feet of his disciples  
 and commanded us to do the same,  
 that we might reveal the power of your love,  
 made perfect in human weakness.

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:

All sing

## Sanctus and Benedictus

*mp*

organ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of pow'r and God of might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san na in\_\_ the

*f*

high - est; ho - san - na,\_\_\_ ho - san - na,\_\_\_ ho - san - na in\_\_ the

high - est; ho - san - na,\_\_\_ ho - san - na,\_\_\_ ho - san - na in the high - est.

*mp*

organ Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who

comes in the name, he\_\_who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho san - na in\_\_ the high - est; ho -

*f*

san - na,\_\_\_ ho - san - na,\_\_\_ ho - san - na in\_\_ the high - est; ho -

*ff*

san - na,\_\_\_ ho - san - na,\_\_\_ ho - san - na in the high - est.



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 [*N 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.  
**Amen.**

*Silence is kept.*

*All remain standing to say*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Jesus taught his disciples how to pray.  
Together, in our many voices, we use the prayer he gave.  
Today, Marek Ryznarski will lead us in Polish.  
Let us join in, praying in the language that is closest to our hearts.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses;  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.**

**Notre Père...  
Baba wa...  
我們在天上的父...  
Nna Anyi...  
Ojce Nasz...  
Vater unser...  
Ein Tad...  
Wo tye...  
Baba mu...  
...أبانا  
Padre nuestro...  
Πάτερ ἡμῶν...  
Отче наш...  
Pater noster...**

*All remain standing for*

## **The 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.**

*The Bishop leads*

## **The Invitation to Communion**

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

**All sit.** We share the wine as well as the bread at Communion. If you normally receive Communion in your church you are welcome to receive here. Please do not dip the wafer in the wine. You are most welcome to receive only the bread if you do not wish to drink from the common cup.

Please go to the Communion station as directed by the stewards. If you would prefer a blessing, simply keep your head bowed. If you need to receive Communion in your seat please ask a steward and this will be arranged. **Gluten-free wafers** are available near the Bishop's station.

During the distribution of Communion to the Altar party, all sing

## Agnus Dei

*organ* *p*  
 Je - sus, Lamb of God,  
 Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the\_ sins of the world: have mer - cy\_ on us.  
*mp*  
 Je - sus, Lamb of God, Je - sus, Lamb of God you take a - way the\_ sins of the world: have  
*mf*  
 mer - cy\_ on us. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Je - sus, Lamb of God you take a - way the\_  
*p rall*  
 sins of the world: grant\_ us your peace,\_\_\_ grant\_ us your peace.

*The Choir sings*

## **The Anthem**

### **Come down, O Love divine**

1. Come down, O Love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it,  
thy holy flame bestowing.
2. O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round,  
the while my path illuming.
3. Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings  
weeps with loathing.
4. And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till he become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit  
makes his dwelling. Amen.

*Sir William H. Harris (1883–1973)*

*Bianco da Siena (d.1434)  
tr. R. F. Littledale (1833–1890)*

*All sing*

**I will offer up my life.  
in spirit and truth,  
pouring out the oil of love  
as my worship to you.  
In surrender I must give my every part;  
Lord, receive the sacrifice of a broken heart.**

***Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring  
to so faithful a friend, to so loving a King?  
Saviour, what can be said, what can be sung  
as a praise of your name  
for the things you have done?  
Oh, my words could not tell,  
not even in part,  
of the debt of love that is owed  
by this thankful heart.***

**You deserve my every breath  
for you've paid the great cost;  
giving up your life to death,  
even death on a cross.  
You took all my shame away,  
there defeated my sin,  
opened up the gates of heaven,  
and have beckoned me in.**

***Jesus, what can I give...***

*Matt Redman (b.1974)*

*All remain seated. The Bishop leads*

## **The Prayer after Communion**

Father, you have taught the ministers of your Church  
to be the willing servants of others.  
Give to these your deacons skill and gentleness  
in the practice of their ministry,  
and perseverance always in prayer;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**We thank you, gracious Father,  
for welcoming your children  
to feast in your kingdom;  
by your love unite us  
and with your Spirit send us,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## THE SENDING OUT

*All stand to sing*

**Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake!  
God's saving news to all the nations take:  
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King,  
that all the world his glorious praise may sing.**

**Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all,  
he will in grace respond to all who call:  
how shall they call if they have never heard  
the gracious invitation of his word?**

**Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide:  
share God's good gifts – let no one be denied;  
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,  
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.**

**Go forth and tell! O Church of God, arise!  
Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;  
go till all nations his great name adore  
and serve him, Lord and King for evermore.**

WOODLANDS (AM394)  
Walter Grottores (1877–1949)

*James Seddon (1915–1983)*

*All remain standing. The Bishop leads*

## **The Blessing and Dismissal**

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

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
**both now and forever.**

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

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

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 among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

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

*All remain standing as the Bishop leads the new deacons from the Church and out into the world, followed by the other ministers and Training Incumbents in procession.*

*During the Procession the Organist plays the following Voluntary*

Toccata in F from Symphony No. 5

Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

*After the service light refreshments will be provided for all*

## Exploring Your Vocation?

If you've been moved to consider how God might be calling you as a result of this service or through your relationship with one of those being ordained today you might want to look at:

[www.leicester.anglican.org/vocations](http://www.leicester.anglican.org/vocations)

For further resources, see the Diocese of Leicester website and search for "vocation" or contact [claire.stapleton@leicestercofe.org](mailto:claire.stapleton@leicestercofe.org)

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