



MASS OF ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

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Celebrant
Right Reverend Nicholas Hudson
Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster

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ORDER OF MASS

All stand at the sound of the Sacristy bell.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

My song is love un - known, My Sa - viour's love to me, —
— Love to the love - less shown, that they might love - ly be.
O, who am I, That for my sake My Lord should take frail flesh and die?

- 2 He came from his blest throne,
Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
 But O, my friend,
 My friend indeed,
 Who at my need
 His life did spend!
- 3 Sometimes they strew his way,
And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their king.
 Then 'Crucify!'
 is all their breath,
 And for his death
 They thirst and cry.
- 4 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine;
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like thine.
 This is my Friend,
 In whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 Could gladly spend

Samuel Crossman (1624-83)

Love unknown
John Ireland (1879-1962)

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Bishop : In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, ✠
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Peace be with you.

And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Bishop : Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

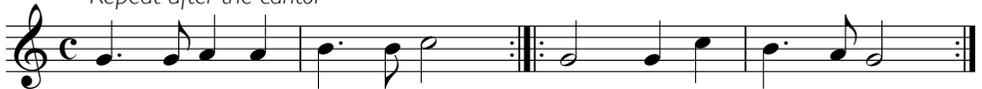
**I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

Bishop : May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

KYRIE

Repeat after the cantor



Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.



Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

Lourdes Mass

GLORIA

Gló - ri - a, gló - ri - a in ex - cé - sis De - o.

Gló - ri - a, gló - ri - a in ex - cé - sis De - o.

Lourdes Mass

COLLECT

Bishop:

O God, who have taught the ministers of your Church
to seek not to be served
but to serve their brothers and sisters,
grant, we pray, that these your servants,
whom you graciously choose today for the office of Deacon,
may be effective in action, gentle in ministry,
and constant in prayer.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever:
Amen.

All sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 6:1-7

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

115:12-13, 17-18 *R.* | Cor 10:16



The cup that we bless is a com - mu - nion with the blood of — Christ.

1 How can I repay the Lord
for his goodness to me?

The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord's name. *R.*

2 A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people. *R.*

All stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



∴ I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you,
everything I have learnt from my Father:

GOSPEL Matthew 20:25-28

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus called them to him and said, 'You know that among the pagans the rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to be great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be your slave, just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All remain standing.

RITE OF ORDINATION

CALLING OF THE CANDIDATES

by Deacon Adrian Cullen

Deacon: Let those who are to be ordained deacon please come forward.

Candidates: Present.

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Deacon: Most Reverend Father, holy mother Church asks you to ordain these men, our brothers, for service as deacons.

Bishop: Do you judge them to be worthy?

Deacon: After inquiry among the people of Christ and upon recommendation of those concerned with their training, I testify that they have been found worthy.

ELECTION BY THE BISHOP AND CONSENT OF THE PEOPLE

Bishop: We rely on the help of the Lord God and our Saviour Jesus Christ, and we choose these men, our brothers, for the order of deacons.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

All sit.

HOMILY

Bishop Nicholas Hudson

EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Bishop: My sons, before you are ordained deacons, you must declare before the people your intention to undertake this office.

Are you willing to be ordained for the Church's ministry by the laying on of hands and the gift of the Holy Spirit?

Candidates: I am.

Bishop: Are you resolved to discharge the office of deacon with humility and love in order to assist the bishop and the priests and to serve the people of Christ?

Candidates: I am.

Bishop: Are you resolved to hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience, as the Apostle urges, and to proclaim this faith in word and action as it is taught by the Gospel and the Church's tradition?

Candidates: I am.

Bishop: Are you resolved to maintain and deepen a spirit of prayer appropriate to your way of life and, in keeping with what is required of you, to celebrate faithfully the liturgy of the hours for the Church and for the whole world?

Candidates: I am.

Bishop: Are you resolved to shape your way of life always according to the example of Christ, whose body and blood you will give to the people?

Candidates: I am, with the help of God.

PROMISE OF OBEDIENCE

In turn the candidates kneel before the Bishop and place their hands within his.

Bishop: Do you promise respect and obedience to your ordinary?

Candidates: I do.

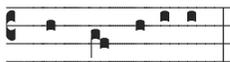
Bishop: May God who has begun the good work in you bring it to fulfillment.

All stand.

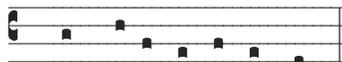
INVITATION TO PRAYER

Bishop: My dear people,
let us pray that the all-powerful Father
may pour out his blessings on these servants of his,
whom he receives into the holy order of deacons.

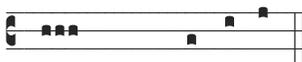
Deacon: Let us kneel.



Lord, be merciful.
 From all evil,
 From every sin,
 From everlasting death,
 By your Incarnation,
 By your death and Resurrection,
 By the outpouring of your Holy Spirit,



℟: Lord, de-li- ver us, we pray.
 Lord, deliver us, we pray.



Be merciful to us sinners.
 Guide and protect your holy Church.
 Keep the Pope and all the clergy
 in faithful service to your Church.
 Bring all people together in trust and peace.
 Strengthen us in your service.
 Bless these chosen men.
 Bless these chosen men and make them holy.
 Bless these chosen men, make them holy
 and consecrate them for their sacred duties.
 Jesus, Son of the living God.



℟: Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
 Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

The Bishop alone stands and says:

Lord God,
 hear our petitions
 and give your help to this act of our ministry.
 We judge these men worthy to serve as deacons
 and we ask you to bless them
 and make them holy.
 Grant this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Deacon: Let us stand.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

In silence the Bishop lays his hands on the heads of the candidates.

The sacrament is conferred through a special outpouring of the Spirit which accompanies this action, and the following Prayer of Consecration, conforming the candidates to Christ.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Bishop: Almighty God,
be present with us by your power:
You are the source of all honour,
you assign to each his rank,
you give to each his ministry.

You remain unchanged,
but you watch over all creation and make it new
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord:
he is your Word, your power, and your wisdom.
You foresee all things in your eternal providence
and make due provision for every age.
You make the Church, Christ's body,
grow to its full stature as a new and greater temple.
You enrich it with every kind of grace
and perfect it with a diversity of members
to serve the whole body in a wonderful pattern of unity.

You established a threefold ministry of worship and service
for the glory of your name.
As ministers of your tabernacle you chose the sons of Levi
and gave them your blessing as their everlasting inheritance.
In the first days of your Church
under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit
the apostles of your Son appointed seven men of good repute
to assist them in the daily ministry,
so that they themselves might be more free for prayer and preaching.
By prayer and the laying on of hands
the apostles entrusted to those chosen men
the ministry of serving at tables.

Lord,
look with favour on these servants of yours,
whom we now dedicate to the office of deacon,
to minister at your holy altar.

Lord,
send forth upon them the Holy Spirit,
that they may be strengthened by the gift of your sevenfold grace
to carry out faithfully the work of the ministry.

May they excel in every virtue:
in love that is sincere,
in concern for the sick and the poor;
in unassuming authority,
in self-discipline,
and in holiness of life.

May their conduct exemplify your commandments
and lead your people to imitate their purity of life.
May they remain strong and steadfast in Christ,
giving to the world the witness of a pure conscience.
May they in this life imitate your Son,
who came, not to be served but to serve,
and one day reign with him in heaven.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

All sit.

INVESTITURE WITH STOLE AND DALMATIC

The deacons are now vested with stole and dalmatic.

PRESENTATION OF THE BOOK OF THE GOSPELS

Vested as deacons, the newly ordained go to the Bishop and kneel before him. The Bishop places the Book of the Gospels in each of their hands.

Bishop: Receive the Gospel of Christ,
whose herald you now are.
Believe what you read,
teach what you believe,
and practice what you teach.

KISS OF PEACE

The Bishop stands and greets the deacons, a gesture of welcome and acceptance into the order of deacons.

Bishop: Peace be with you.

Deacon: And with your spirit.

The other deacons present offer the Kiss of Peace to the newly-ordained deacons.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

All stand.

Bishop: Pray, brothers and sisters,
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Bishop: Holy Father, whose son chose to wash the disciples' feet
and so set us an example,
accept, we pray, the oblations of our service,
and grant that, offering ourselves as a spiritual sacrifice,
we may be filled with a spirit of humility and zeal.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PREFACE: CHRIST, SOURCE OF ALL MINISTRY IN THE CHURCH

Bishop: The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III

PC: You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
and all you have created
rightly gives you praise,
for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,
by the power and working of the Holy Spirit,
you give life to all things and make them holy,
and you never cease to gather a people to yourself,
so that from the rising of the sun to its setting
a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

CC: Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you:
by the same Spirit graciously make holy
these gifts we have brought to you for consecration,
that they may become the Body and ✠ Blood
of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,
at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed
he himself took bread,
and giving you thanks, he said the blessing,
broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took the chalice,
and giving you thanks, he said the blessing,
and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**

- CC: Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial
of the saving Passion of your Son,
his wondrous Resurrection
and Ascension into heaven,
and as we look forward to his second coming,
we offer you in thanksgiving
this holy and living sacrifice.
- CC: Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church
and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death
you willed to reconcile us to yourself,
grant that we, who are nourished
by the Body and Blood of your Son
and filled with his Holy Spirit,
may become one body, one spirit in Christ.
- C1: May he make of us
an eternal offering to you,
so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect,
especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,
with blessed Joseph, her Spouse,
with your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs
and with all the Saints,
on whose constant intercession in your presence
we rely for unfailing help.
- C2: May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation,
we pray, O Lord,
advance the peace and salvation of all the world.
Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity
your pilgrim Church on earth,
with your servant Francis our Pope
and Vincent our Bishop,
with the Order of Bishops,
these your servants,
who have been ordained today as ministers for the Church,
all the clergy,
and the entire people you have gained for your own.
- Listen graciously to the prayers of this family,
whom you have summoned before you:
in your compassion, O merciful Father;
gather to yourself all your children
scattered throughout the world.

- C3: To our departed brothers and sisters
and to all who were pleasing to you
at their passing from this life,
give kind admittance to your kingdom.
There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of your glory
through Christ our Lord,
through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.
- CC: Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father; in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour is yours,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

- Bishop:* At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:
- 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.**
- Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
- For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ,
 who said to your Apostles:
 Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
 look not on our sins,
 but on the faith of your Church,
 and graciously grant her peace and unity
 in accordance with your will.
 Who live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.

AGNUS DEI

Repeat after the cantor

Mi - se - ré - re no - bis. Mi - se - ré - re
 no - bis. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Lourdes Mass

All kneel.

Bishop:

Behold the Lamb of God,
 behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
 Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

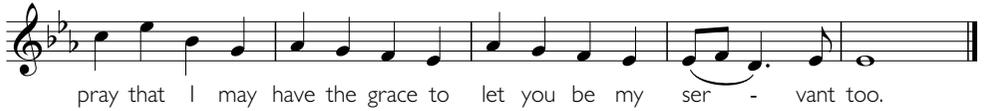
Those who participate in the live-streaming of this Mass and those who are not in the position to receive Holy Communion at this moment are invited to join the Bishop in praying the Act of Spiritual Communion:

Bishop: My Jesus,
 I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
 I love you above all things,
 and I desire to receive you into my soul.
 Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
 come at least spiritually into my heart.
 I embrace you as if you were already there
 and unite myself wholly to you.
 Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

Please follow the instructions of the stewards for Holy Communion. Please remove your face covering before reaching the minister, receive Holy Communion in front of the minister and then replace your face covering before returning to your place via the side aisles.

Those who are not Roman Catholic or do not wish to receive Holy Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Please cross your arms across your chest to indicate to the minister that you wish to receive a blessing.

POSTCOMMUNION HYMN



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| 2 We are pilgrims on a journey,
we are trav'lers on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load. | 4 I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through. |
| 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear. | 5 When we sing to God in heaven
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony. |
| 6 Will you let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to let you
be my servant too. | |

*The servant song
Richard Gillard (b.1953)*

All stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Bishop: Let us pray.
Grant, O Lord, to your servants,
whom you have replenished with heavenly food and drink,
that, for the sake of your glory and the salvation of believers,
they may be found faithful
as ministers of the Gospel, of the Sacraments and of charity.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The newly ordained deacons and their wives stand before the Bishop.

Bishop: The Church accepts with thanksgiving,
through your love for your husbands,
your willingness to support and encourage them in their ministry.
May almighty God bless you all,
and strengthen the bonds of love between you,
that your families may be a sign of God's love.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

SOLEMN BLESSING

Bishop: The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Deacon: Bow down for the blessing.

Bishop: May God, who has called you to the service of others in his Church,
give you great zeal for all,
especially the afflicted and the poor.
Amen.

May he, who has entrusted you with preaching the Gospel of Christ,
help you, as you live according to his word,
to be its sincere and fervent witnesses.
Amen.

May he, who has appointed you stewards of his mysteries,
make you imitators of his Son, Jesus Christ,
and ministers of unity and peace in the world.
Amen.

And may almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here,
the Father, ✠ and the Son, ✠ and the Holy ✠ Spirit
Amen.

DISMISSAL



∇: Go forth, the Mass is ended. ℞: **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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