

Diocese in Europe
St John and St Philip's, The Hague



A SERVICE OF THE WORD

with the Institution and Licensing of

The Reverend Canon Michael Roden

as

Chaplain

of St John and St Philip's, The Hague

Presiding on behalf of the Bishop:

The Revd Sam Van Leer, Acting Archdeacon of North-West Europe

9 January 2021

14.00

ABOUT THIS SERVICE

An institution is the form by which the bishop, as chief pastor in his diocese, shares the cure of souls with a priest who has been newly appointed as the chaplain or priest-in-charge of a recognized chaplaincy or congregation of the diocese. This Order of Service incorporates the provisions of the Service of the Word in *Common Worship: services and prayers for the Church of England* (London, 2000).

All the congregational texts given in **bold**.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN PRELUDE

Rhosymedre, by R. Vaughan Williams

GATHERING

WELCOME FROM SAM VAN LEER

OPENING HYMN

Be thou my vision - CP 386

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
be all else but to me, save that thou art;
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. Riches I heed not, nor man'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.
5. High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;
great Heart of my own hear whatever befall,
still be thou vision, O Ruler of all.

Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

This is the day which the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

OPENING PRAYER

Sam van Leer

Faithful one, whose word is life: come with saving power to free our praise, inspire our prayer and shape our lives for the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Silence is kept and then the Collect (Prayer for the Day), is said.

COLLECT PRAYER

Let us pray for Michael and for this Chaplaincy to be committed to his care.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whom all virtues are given and perfected, give your grace to your servant Michael that he may worthily fulfil the charge now to be committed to him. Give him vision, courage and love; so that, following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, he may lead your people to serve your kingdom and share its joy; 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.**

CONFESSION

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins. *cf Titus 2.11-14*

Lord Jesus, illuminate the darkness in our hearts:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, open our eyes to your saving love:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, unstop our ears to hear your living word:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May the God of all healing and forgiveness
draw us to himself, and cleanse us from all our sins
that we may behold the glory of his Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Katherine Fortier

Isaiah 61: 1-3

61:¹ The spirit of the Lord God is upon me,
because the Lord has anointed me;
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,
to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and release to the prisoners;
² to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;
³ to provide for those who mourn in Zion —
to give them a garland instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.

They will be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

After the reading: This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE: SONG OF PRAISE



1. You are worthy, our ' Lord and ' God * to receive ' glory and ' honour and ' power.
2. For you have cre- ' ated all ' things, * and by your ' will they ' have their ' being.
3. You are worthy, O lamb, for ' you were ' slain, * and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every ' tribe and ' language and ' nation.
4. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests ' serving our ' God, * and they will ' reign with ' you on ' earth.

Revelation 4.11; 5.9b, 10

*Glory to the Father and ' to the ' Son ;
and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit.
As it was in the beg ' inning is ' now ;
and shall be for ' ever. ' A ' men.*

GOSPEL READING

Guy Diakiese

St. Matthew's Gospel, Chapter 6: 7-15

6:⁷ "When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

⁹ "Pray then in this way:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.

- 10 Your kingdom come.
Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
- 11 Give us this day our daily bread.
- 12 And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
- 13 And do not bring us to the time of trial,
but rescue us from the evil one.
- 14 For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father
will also forgive you;
- 15 but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive
your trespasses.

After the reading: This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

Sam van Leer, the acting Archdeacon

ANTHEM

Jesus Christ the Apple Tree, by Elizabeth Poston

1. The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit, and always green:
The trees of nature fruitless be
Compared with Christ the Apple Tree.
2. His beauty doth all things excel:
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell
The glory which I now can see
In Jesus Christ the Apple Tree.
3. For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure dearly I have bought:
I missed of all; but now I see
'Tis found in Christ the Apple Tree.
4. I'm weary with my former toil,
Here I will sit and rest awhile:

Under the shadow I will be
of Jesus Christ the Apple Tree.

5. This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ the Apple Tree.

RITE OF INSTITUTION

The priest to be licensed moves to stand before the President, supported by the Appointed Chaplaincy Representatives and the Patron's Representative.

PRESENTATION

The Appointed Chaplaincy Representatives say:

Reverend Father in God, as Representatives of the people of God in ST JOHN AND ST PHILIP'S, THE HAGUE, we have been glad to share with the Bishop of the Diocese in the choice of MICHAEL RODEN to be our pastor and priest. On their behalf, we now ask you to institute him.

President In the name of the Lord. Amen.

The Patron's Representative says:

Reverend Father in God, we have been glad to share with the Bishop of the Diocese and the people of God in ST JOHN AND ST PHILIP'S, THE HAGUE, in the choice of MICHAEL RODEN to be their pastor and priest. We now ask you to institute him.

President In the name of the Lord. Amen.

The President addresses the Congregation:

Dear brothers and sisters, dear friends: MICHAEL ADRIAN HOLLAND RODEN has been selected and approved for this office, but before he she is instituted and licensed it is right that both he and you should, before God, renew your corporate commitment to the service of Christ.

Will you accept MICHAEL as your pastor and uphold him in this ministry?

We will.

Will you support MICHAEL and JANET in their life together as members with you of Christ's people in this place?

We will.

DECLARATION OF ASSENT AND OATH OF CANONICAL OBEDIENCE

So that you may know MICHAEL RODEN's mind and purpose I shall first ask him to declare his allegiance to the Church's doctrine as the Church of England has received it.

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 guide and inspiration under God in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making him known to those in your care?

The priest to be instituted says:

I, MICHAEL ADRIAN HOLLAND RODEN, 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.

And, holding the New Testament in his right hand, says:

I, MICHAEL ADRIAN HOLLAND RODEN, do swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Gibraltar in Europe and his successors, in all things lawful and honest: So help me God.

The congregation sits. The Representatives of the Chaplaincy and the Patron return to their places.

PROMISES

The President says:

Let us now go to the place of our baptism, where our life in Christ began.

At the place of baptism, the President addresses the new chaplain:

It is the duty of priests to proclaim the gospel of new life in Christ, and to celebrate the sacraments of the new covenant, bringing new believers into the Church through baptism and presenting them to the Bishop for confirmation and admission into the full communion of the Church.

Will you proclaim the word of the Lord, call your hearers to repentance; in Christ's name absolve, and declare the forgiveness of sins? Will you prepare new believers for baptism, confirmation and communion in the Body of Christ?

Will you do these things gladly and willingly?

In the strength of the Lord, I will.

The President addresses the members of the Chaplaincy:

It is the duty of all people baptized into Christ' Church to share the Lord's mission by ordering their lives according to the Church's faith so as to commend the gospel to those who do not believe.

Will you order your lives after the Lord's teaching? Will you actively seek the unity of all Christian people so that the world may believe?
In the strength of the Lord, we will.

The President and the new chaplain move to the chancel, before the Congregation.

The President addresses the new chaplain:

It is the duty of priests to serve the Lord's people at every stage in their lives: to read and expound the Holy Scriptures, to nurture prayer, to absolve the penitent and counsel the distressed, to visit the sick; to pronounce God's blessing on those who marry; to support the dying, bury the dead and console the bereaved; and to encourage and guide all God's people in the worship and witness of the Church.

Will you give special attention to the study of God's word so that you may instruct and encourage all in your care? Will you promote by word and example the peace and unity of the Church? Will you minister faithfully to the sick and needy, and at the time of death?

Will you do these things gladly and willingly?

In the strength of the Lord, I will.

The President addresses the members of the Chaplaincy:

It is the duty of all God's people to nurture and renew their faith, hope and love by private prayer and by public worship, by reading the Word of God and meditating upon it. They are to pray continually for their Christian brothers and sisters, particularly for those who serve them as deacons, priests and bishops, and to support and strengthen one another in word and deed.

Will you pray with and for MICHAEL? Will you be attentive to the Word of God, regular in public worship and in private prayer? Will you do all in your power to build up the life and fellowship of this congregation and our Diocese?

In the strength of the Lord, we will.

The President and the new chaplain move to the altar.

The President addresses the new chaplain:

It is the duty of priests, sharing in the bishop's ministry, to preside at the celebration of the Holy Communion and other liturgical celebrations, and to offer prayer for those in their care, serving Christ's people not being served by them.

Will you preside at the celebration of the Holy Communion, lead your people in prayer and worship, intercede for them, and by word and example teach and encourage them in the way of Christ?

Will you do these things gladly and willingly?

In the strength of the Lord, I will.

The President addresses the members of the Chaplaincy:

It is the privilege and joy of Christ's people to join together to worship him and to know him in the breaking of the bread; to recognize and serve him in one another, and to go out united to serve Christ in the world.

Will you be faithful in receiving holy communion, and endeavour so to live and work that others may be led to honour Christ and find their place at his table?

In the strength of the Lord, we will.

MICHAEL, brothers and sisters: may God who has called you and moved you to make these promises fill you with his grace that you may perform them faithfully.

In the name of the Lord. Amen.

LICENSING

The President says to the new chaplain:

MICHAEL RODEN, you have heard the commitment of the people of ST JOHN AND ST PHILIP'S, THE HAGUE. Will you for your part accept the responsibility Christ lays on you today to work with me and all your fellow priests as servant and shepherd, to keep watch over the flock of the Lord? Will you set the Good Shepherd always before yourself as the pattern of your calling?

In the strength of the Lord, I will.

The priest kneels in front of the President who reads the Bishop's Licence and gives it to him, saying:

Receive the cure of souls which is both yours and the Bishop's, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and may almighty God bless you, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The President leads the priest to the customary stall and says:

The Lord bless you and watch over you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly upon you and give you his peace. **Amen.**

All remain standing. The new chaplain, alone kneeling, prays the Prayer of St Benedict, Patron of Europe:

O gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, a heart to meditate upon you. and a life to proclaim you, through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The President says:

Lord of the Church, by your will and power the Church in heaven and earth is united in the Body of your Son: hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind, to serve you with joy for ever, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The newly installed priest may briefly address the congregation.

CLOSING HYMN

O Thou who camest from above - CP 191

1. Thou, who camest from above,
the fire celestial to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on mean altar of my heart!
2. There let it for Thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return,
In humble prayer and fervent praise.
3. Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work and speak and think for Thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up Thy gift in me.

4. Ready for all Thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
'Til death Thy endless mercies seal,
And make my sacrifice complete.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ the God Shepherd, who laid down his life for his sheep, draw you and all who hear his voice to be one, within one fold; and the blessing and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING SONG

Fill this house with your glory, Jafeth Bekx

Fill this house with your glory

Fill this house with your glory

Let your presence fall upon us now

For all things are through you

And all things are to you

Rend the heavens, send your glory down

Fill this house with your glory

Fill this house with your glory

Let your presence fall upon us now

Holy, holy
Holy is the Lord
Jesus is King of kings
We sing forever more

Fill this house with your glory
Fill this house with your glory
Let your presence fall upon us now

Holy, holy
Holy is the Lord
Jesus is King of kings
We sing forever more (x2)

Fill my life with your glory
Fill my life with your glory
Let your presence fall upon us now
For all things are through you
And all things are to you
Rend the heavens, send your glory down

Holy, holy
Holy is the Lord
Jesus is King of kings
We sing forever more

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