



Celebration of Ministry

the Licensing and Installation

of

the Reverend Paulie Elliss Watkin

as Assistant Curate of the benefice of
Tadcaster

At St Mary's, Tadcaster

on

Tuesday, 16th November, 2021

at 7.30pm

by

Rt Revd Dr John B. Thomson

Bishop of Selby

Introduction Notes

Welcome to this service

This service marks the beginning of a new phase of ministry for priest and people. It is one to which all come with a high sense of anticipation of God's blessing on the years ahead, and it is right that this beginning is marked by a special service both of celebration and of dignity.

Structure of the service

- The bishop greets the people
- The new priest is presented to the bishop
- The bishop, priest and people pray and hear the scriptures
- The bishop gives the priest authority to share with him in the care of the parishioners
- The priest and people express their commitment to worship, ministry and mission together
- The bishop, priest and people depart with God's blessing

The congregation is invited to say the words printed in **bold** type.

Appropriate places are indicated for hymns or other music, but these may be varied.

At the beginning of the service, a procession may enter, for which this order is appropriate

Cross
Choir
Ecumenical Guests
Licensed Readers
Clergy
The Candidate, with the Patron or Area Dean
Area Dean, if not walking with the Priest, and Lay Dean
Churchwardens
Diocesan Registrar
Archdeacon
Bishop
Bishop's Chaplain

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Order of Service

The Gathering

Hymn

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

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The Bishop may say

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Greeting

The Bishop greets the people

The Lord be with you;
and also with you.

*Words of welcome or introduction are said,
after which the Bishop continues*

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.

The Presentation

The Patron says to the Bishop

Bishop, I present the Reverend Paulie Elliss Watkin
to be licensed as Assistant Curate in this benefice of Tadcaster

The Bishop says

Those who have authority to do so
have appointed Paulie to be the priest of this parish.
Is it your will that they should be licensed?
It is.

Will you uphold them in their ministry?
We will.

Will you constantly pray for them?
We will.

The Bishop turns to the Priest and says

Do you believe, as far as you know your own heart, that God has called you to this ministry ?

Priest

I do so believe.

The Bishop introduces a period of silent prayer with the words

Let us pray

The Bishop says this prayer

Almighty Father,
you have called your Church into being in your love
and strengthened us for your service.
Bless your servant Paulie,
that they may be a faithful shepherd and a true friend.
Guide us, inspire us and make us all a joyful Church,
one in heart and mind;
for the sake of your kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Readings of the day

The first reading, from the New Testament – Read by Dajan Hatton - Churchwarden, Church Fenton

Revelation 3 v1-6, 14-end

“And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: These are the words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars:

“I know your works; you have a name of being alive, but you are dead. Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is on the point of death, for I have not found your works perfect in the sight of my God. Remember then what you received and heard; obey it, and repent. If you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come to you. Yet you have still a few persons in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes; they will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. If you conquer, you will be clothed like them in white robes, and I will not blot your name out of the book of life; I will confess your name before my Father and before his angels. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

“And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the origin of God’s creation:

“I know your works; you are neither cold nor hot. I wish that you were either cold or hot. So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am about to spit you out of my mouth. For you say, ‘I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing.’ You do not realize that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. Therefore I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire so that you may be rich; and white robes to clothe you and to keep the shame of your nakedness from being seen; and salve to anoint your eyes so that you may see. I reprove and discipline those whom I love. Be earnest, therefore, and repent. Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me. To the one who conquers I will give a place with me on my throne, just as I myself conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.”

The reader may say

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

*The second reading, from the Gospels, read by Rev Lucy Brencher - Curate, Tadcaster Benefice
all remain standing*

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

Luke 19 v1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

At the end

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

Sermon

Hymn

Father, Lord of all creation,
ground of Being, Life and Love;
height and depth beyond description,
only life in you can prove:
you are mortal life's dependence:
thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
yours is every hour's existence,
sovereign Lord of time and space.

Jesus Christ, the Man for Others
we, your people, make our prayer:
help us love - as sisters, brothers -
all whose burdens we can share.
Where your name binds us together
you, Lord Christ, will surely be;
where no selfishness can sever
there your love the world may see.

Holy Spirit, rushing, burning
wind and flame of Pentecost
fire our hearts afresh with yearning
to regain what we have lost.
May your love unite our action,
nevermore to speak alone:
God, in us, abolish faction,
God, through us, your love make known.

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The Declaration and Oaths

All sit

The Priest stands before the Bishop. The Bishop says

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.

Paulie, 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?

Priest

I, Paulie Elliss Watkin, Clerk in Holy Orders, 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 those forms of service
 which are authorized or allowed by Canon.

The Priest takes a copy of the New Testament in their right hand.

Priest (turning to face the congregation)

I, Paulie Elliss Watkin, Clerk in Holy Orders,
do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance
 to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second,
 her heirs and successors according to law.
So help me God.

Priest (turning to face the Bishop)

I, Paulie Elliss Watkin, Clerk in Holy Orders, do swear by Almighty God
that I will pay true and canonical obedience
 to the Lord Archbishop of York and his successors
 in all things lawful and honest.
So help me God.

The Priest signs the Declaration and Oaths.

The Licensing

The Minister kneels before the Bishop who reads the Licence

The Bishop then says to the Priest

Receive this licence in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Bishop blesses the Priest, saying

Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus
who was wounded for our sins,
that you may bear in your life and ministry
the love and joy and peace
which are the marks of Jesus in his disciples.
The Spirit of God rest on you,
filling you with wisdom, understanding
and the fear of the Lord;
the peace of Christ stand guard over your heart and mind;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you always. **Amen.**

The Bishop greets the Priest and welcomes them to their new ministry.

The Bishop addresses the Archdeacon

Archdeacon, I now ask you to install Paulie as priest of this benefice.

All stand, and if necessary turn to face the Archdeacon and Priest. The Churchwardens lead the Archdeacon's procession to the place from which the bell may be rung.

Archdeacon

Paulie, you have been licensed as priest of this benefice,
with its responsibilities and resources for ministry.
The Lord preserve your going out and your coming in,
now and always. **Amen.**

The Priest tolls the bell to indicate that their ministry in the benefice has begun.

The Churchwardens lead the Archdeacon's procession to the front of the church, where the Archdeacon places the Priest in their customary seat.

Archdeacon

I set you in the stall of the priest of this parish.
May God bless you in your ministry
among the people of this benefice.
Follow the example of the good Shepherd:
lead with courage and guide with love;
keep watch over the whole flock
among whom the Holy Spirit has appointed you.

**Proclaim the gospel,
restore the lost,
encourage the faithful
and build up the body of Christ. Amen.**

Hymn

During the hymn, the Churchwardens give the Priest the keys of the churches of the benefice.

There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice
which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgement given.

For the love of God is broader
than the measures of man's mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

But we make his love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify his strictness
with a zeal he will not own,

There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.

There is grace enough for thousands
of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh creations
in that upper home of bliss.

Maurice Bevan (b. 1921)

Commitment to Mission and Ministry

The Revd Martin Otter and Mrs Caroline, on behalf of the Area Dean and Lay Dean, and the Priest remain standing. All others sit

The Area Dean and Lay Dean say these or other suitable words

We bring before God gifts he has bestowed on us
through his grace
and ask for his blessing,
that we may love and serve this community
and work together to make Christ visible among us.

Paulie, as a pastor, you are called to leadership
in many aspects of the Church's
worship, mission and service.

People of God,
I invite you to commit yourselves
to worship, mission and ministry,
in company with your priest.

A number of symbols of ministry may be presented.

Hannah Shortland - St Mary's Tadcaster, presents a large vessel of water and says

Christ calls his Church to share his Good News,
to make disciples in his name,
and to build up his followers in unity
and in the power of the Spirit.

The Priest says

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism.
**God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him
may not perish, but have everlasting life.**

based on Ephesians 4. 5; John 3. 16

Tricia West - Reader, Tadcaster Benefice presents a Bible

God has given us the gift of Scripture.
Let us commit ourselves together to read and study it,
and to live out the Christian faith through word and deed.

The Priest says

Teach us, O Lord, the way of your statutes,
and we will observe it to the end.
**We proclaim Christ crucified,
the power of God and the wisdom of God.**

based on Psalm 119. 33; 1 Corinthians 1. 23, 24

Andrew Severn - communion server and Kirkby Wharfe PCC & Sally Smart - Churchwarden at Kirkby Wharfe present a loaf and a vessel of wine

On the night before he died,
Christ commanded his apostles to remember him.
Every time we eat the bread and drink the cup
at the table of the Lord,
we proclaim his death until he comes.

The Priest says

The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven
and gives life to the world.

Jesus is the bread of life.

**Whoever comes to him will never be hungry;
whoever believes in him will never be thirsty.**

based on John 6. 33, 35

Lucinda Jennings - Churchwarden, Newton Kyme, presents a copy of the Book of Common Prayer

Take these words that aid our prayers,
as sign of our common life and discipline of prayer,
and the lifelong call to open our hearts to the Spirit.

The Priest says

Be transformed by the renewing of your minds,
that you may discern what is the will of God.

**Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances,
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus.**

based on Romans 12. 2; 1 Thessalonians 5. 16-18

The Bishop says to the Priest

Remember that as an ambassador for Christ
God has called you, together with all God's people,
to make Christ visible, and to care for all in this parish in his name.

**The Son of Man came not to be served
but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.**

based on John 13. 5; Mark 10.45

The Area Dean says

May God, who has given us the will to serve him,
give us the vision and the strength to fulfil our calling,
in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Welcome

*The Priest is greeted by representatives of the parishes, deanery and community.
The Priest responds to the welcome, announces the times of the following Sunday Services and gives any other notices.*

The Prayers

The Priest leads the prayers, either alone or with others.

The prayers end as follows:

**Eternal God,
the light of the minds that know you,
the joy of the hearts that love you,
and the strength of the wills that serve you:
grant us so to know you that we may truly love you,
and so to love you that we may fully serve you,
whose service is perfect freedom;
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer is said in this or the traditional form

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Blessing and Dismissal

Hymn

All stand. During the hymn, a collection is taken for the support of candidates for ordination. UK tax payers are encouraged to use Gift Aid.

God is working his purpose out,
as year succeeds to year.
God is working His purpose out,
and the time is drawing near.
Nearer and nearer draws the time,
the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

How can we do the work of God,
how prosper and increase
harmony in the human race,
and the reign of perfect peace?
What can we do to urge the time,
the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

All our efforts are nothing worth,
unless God bless the deed;
vain our hopes for the harvest-tide
till he brings to life the seed;
Yet ever nearer draws the time,
the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God,
as the waters cover the sea.

Arthur Campbell Ainger (1841-1919) Adapted by Michael Forster (b. 1946) This version © Kevin Mayhew Ltd.

The Bishop uses this or a seasonal blessing

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,
that you may be rooted and grounded in love
and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Priest

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

The procession leaves in the same order as on entry, except that the Priest walks either after the Area Dean or with the Bishop.