



**The United Benefice of
St Faith Great Crosby and
St Mary the Virgin, Waterloo**

*A service to mark
the beginning of
the new ministry of*

Rev. John Reed, C.A.

**Led by The Rt Revd Paul Bayes,
Bishop of Liverpool
and The Ven. Pete Spiers,
Archdeacon of Knowsley & Sefton**

Monday, 30th October 2017

Introduction

The arrival of a new incumbent in a parish is always an important event. For him it is a new sphere of work; for the members of the Church and the people of the parishes, it is a new chapter in the worship and life of the whole community.

To mark this new beginning, priest and people come together with the Bishop to offer themselves afresh to God for the work of the Gospel. This service is both a legal ceremony and an Act of Worship, which reminds priest and people of their shared responsibility for the proclamation of the Gospel and the service of God's People.

The legal preliminaries include an Oath of Allegiance to the Crown, and Oath of Canonical Obedience to the Bishop, and the Declaration of Assent. This declaration assures the congregation that their priest believes, speaks and acts in a way a Christian minister should, so that they can trust his ministry.

The Institution denotes the admission of the Priest to the spiritual care and leadership of the parish. The Induction gives the Priest the legal charge of the church buildings and property, and the right to receive the income of the benefice. The Installation places the priest in the midst of a worshipping, praying and witnessing community.

This is both a joyful and solemn occasion. Please spend time before the service to think about its meaning and to pray. In your prayers remember John and his family. Remember also, our Bishops and all who share with them in the work of this diocese and your own commitment to Christ, as a member of his body, the Church.

Everyone present has a part to play in the proceedings. Please answer firmly in every **Amen** and whenever **All** are asked to declare their commitment.

John's Background:

Born in Sussex, grew up in Essex and Cambridgeshire
1979: completed Biological Sciences Degree at the University
of Sussex

After training in Blackheath John was commissioned as a
Church Army Officer in 1982

Community Evangelist at St. Margaret Toxteth

Married to Ruth (after she was commissioned) in 1984

1987: Youth Evangelist at the Good Shepherd West Derby.
Alan and Emma were born in these years

1985: Northern Ordination Course

1996: Parish Evangelist, Christ Church Padgate

1997: Deaconed Curate, Christ Church Padgate

1999: Curate, then Vicar, St. Margaret and All Hallows Orford

2008: Priest in Charge, St. Thomas Golborne

2013: Team Vicar/Associate Rector, The Lowton and Golborne
Team Ministry

The Beginning of a New Ministry

The Gathering

The congregation stands

Processional

Introit from the choir: Te Deum in B^b (Stanford)

Hymn

We have a gospel to proclaim
Good news for all throughout the earth;
The gospel of a Saviour's name:
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,
Not in a royal house or hall
But in a stable dark and dim:
The Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of His death at Calvary,
Hated by those He came to save;
In lonely suffering on the cross
For all He loved His life He gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
Empty the tomb, for He was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
That we might share His victory.

Tell of His reign at God's right hand,
By all creation glorified;
He sends His Spirit on His Church
To live for Him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name Him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel message we proclaim:
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

Rev. Edward Burns

Please be seated

The churchwardens stand before the Bishop and say

Bishop, on behalf of the parishes of St. Faith Great Crosby and St. Mary Waterloo we welcome you as our Father in God.

Bishop Thank you for your welcome. May God in all things be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be worship and praise. I have come to give authority to a priest to care for the people of these parishes through making Christ known in word and deed. Let him now be presented.

Presentation

One of the Patrons presents the minister to the Bishop, saying

Patron Bishop, I present to you John William Reed to be admitted to the care of God's people in this parish.

Bishop Thank you for your presentation. John comes to take his place as your priest in charge. He has been duly nominated and no one has objected to him taking up this office. I therefore invite Archdeacon Pete to commend John to us.

The Archdeacon gives his commendation

Silence is kept

Archdeacon 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, mission and ministry
each may be an instrument of Your love,
and give to Your servant John now to be
licensed 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.**

Liturgy of the Word

The Reading

John 13:1-20

At the end, the reader says

This is the Word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon by the Bishop of Liverpool

The congregation stands

Hymn

Our blest Redeemer, ere he breathed
his tender last farewell,
a Guide, a Comforter, bequeathed
with us to dwell.

He came in semblance of a dove
with sheltering wings outspread,
the holy balm of peace and love
on earth to shed.

He came in tongues of living flame
to teach, convince, subdue,
all powerful as the wind he came
as viewless too.

He came sweet influence to impart,
a gracious, willing Guest,
while he can find one humble heart
wherein to rest.

And his that gentle voice we hear,
soft as the breath of even,
that checks each fault, that calms each fear,
and speaks of heaven.

And every virtue we possess,
and every conquest won,
and every thought of holiness,
are his alone.

Spirit of purity and grace,
our weakness, pitying, see:
O make our hearts thy dwelling place
and worthier thee.

*Harriet Auber
John Bacchus Dykes*

The congregation sits

Licensing

Bishop John, you are to be licensed as Priest in Charge of St. Faith
Great Crosby and St. Mary Waterloo. Do you believe that you
are truly called to this ministry?

Minister I believe that God has called me.

Declaration of Assent and Oath of Obedience

The Bishop introduces the Declaration of Assent, and then says:

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?

Minister I, John William Reed, 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.

Taking a Bible, the minister faces the people and says

I, John William Reed, 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.

Turning to the Bishop, the minister says

I, John William Reed, swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Liverpool and his successors, in all things lawful and honest.

So help me God.

Giving of the Cure of Souls

The minister kneels before the Bishop, who reads the Licence and gives it to the minister.

Bishop Receive this cure of souls, which is both yours and mine; in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Anointing

The new minister is anointed with oil

The minister kneels before the Bishop, who says

Let us ask God to bless John, to give him joy in his new home and ministry and to stir up within him the gifts of the Spirit: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, fill the heart of your servant John with eager love in caring for your people; joy in affirming all that is good in this community, hope in proclaiming the love of Christ and wisdom in challenging all that is mean and destructive. Give him vision for his preaching; faithfulness for his teaching; diligence for his visiting; sympathy for his counselling; compassion in declaring your pardon for the penitent; courage in his witness; and the peace that passes understanding for his daily walk with Christ, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

The minister is joined by other licensed ministers of the Ministry Team and the PCCs.

They all stand before the Bishop.

Bishop:

John has now been licensed for a new ministry.

You are to enable the people here to use their own gifts in the service of the Gospel, to help them discover the longing of their own spirit. You are called to ensure that you also grow in grace, learning from your people, making time for study, for quiet reflection and for prayer. For you are called to be available, to be humble and to be human.

In your work, mission and ministry, and in collaboration with your colleagues, care alike for young and old, weak and strong, poor and rich; share their joy and their sadness.

Together all of you are called to proclaim the glorious freedom of the children of God, to preach the Gospel of peace and hope, to pray earnestly not only for the people in your care but for the whole community. You are to minister God's healing and reconciliation wherever there is pain or conflict, whether within or beyond the Church.

The Bishop blesses the minister and his colleagues

The Lord give you courage, wisdom, strength and love to work together to do His will; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you all and your work done in His Name, now and for evermore.

Amen.

Installation

The Archdeacon says

I install you as Priest in charge of this benefice. Pray for your people, lead them in worship and service, and encourage them in their witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Archdeacon presents the minister to the congregation, saying

I present to you John William Reed, now duly Licensed and Installed as Priest in Charge of this benefice.

Receive him with affection as your pastor, and pray that he may be faithful and happy in the charge now committed to him.

The congregation sits

The Greetings

Welcome by representatives

The Area Dean, Rev Canon Tom Rich and the Deanery Synod Lay Chair, Sheila Lynch welcome the new minister with suitable words.

The Area Dean then introduces representatives of the church and community who also greet the new minister.

The minister may give out the notices.

The Peace

The congregation stands

Bishop In the presence of the God and Father of us all, we meet together with one accord from our various churches. We reaffirm our commitment to each other and to God's work as we say together:

God our Father, in the Name of Christ and in the power of the Spirit, we commit ourselves to You and to one another, to live, work and pray as one body in Christ; to do nothing apart which we can do together, and to do together what we cannot do apart; give us vision, give us courage, and give us joy, that the world may believe that Jesus is Lord, to Your eternal glory. Amen.

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

The Choir sing during the Peace

O thou the central orb (Woods)

Offertory Hymn

How shall I sing that Majesty
which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears,
whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears,
but they behold thy face.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
with all my fire and light;
yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.

*John Mason
Kenneth Naylor*

This collection will be given to ordinands and their families in training in the Diocese, with 10% given to support the links between our diocese and others across the world.

The congregation sits

Dedication of Minister and People

Members of the congregations bring the symbols of water, a Bible, bread and wine and a map of the parishes to the Chancel steps where the minister receives them.

A map of the parishes is presented

Be among us as those who proclaim the risen Christ to those we know in the hope of all accepting His grace of salvation and the joy of eternal life with God the Father.

The symbol of water is presented

Be among us as those who rejoice to bring people to baptism, and to share with them the Living Water, given by Jesus Christ Himself, that they may be conformed to the pattern of His life and death.

A Bible is presented

Be among us as those who study the scriptures, preach the Word and explore the faith, that all may find in Christ the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Bread and wine are presented

Be among us as those who break the bread and bless the cup when we celebrate the sacrament of our Lord's death and resurrection, that we may all grow together into the full stature of Christ.

Area Dean Will you be faithful in baptising, teaching and proclaiming the truth of Holy Scripture, preparing and administering the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ?

Minister With the help of God, I will.

The congregation stands

The Lay Chair says to the people: People of God, will you be faithful in living the life of the baptised, in reading and studying the scriptures and in coming together to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ?

All: With the help of God, we will.

Prayers are led by the new minister

Please sit or kneel

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

We pray for the use of God's gifts to His Church, saying:

Jesus, Lord of Your Church,

All in Your mercy hear us.

God our Father, You give us gifts
that we may work together
in the service of Your Son:
Bless those who lead,
that they may be firm in faith,
yet humble before You.

Jesus, Lord of Your Church,

All in Your mercy hear us.

Bless those who teach,
that they may increase our understanding
and be open to Your Word for them.

Jesus, Lord of Your Church,

All in Your mercy hear us.

Bless those who minister healing,
that they may bring wholeness to others
and know Your healing themselves.

Jesus, Lord of Your Church,

All in Your mercy hear us.

Bless those through whom You speak,
that they may proclaim Your Word in power,
yet open their ears to Your gentle whisper.

Jesus, Lord of Your Church,

All in Your mercy hear us.

Bless those who work in Your world today,
that in the complexity of their daily lives
they may live for You,
fulfil Your purposes,
and seek Your kingdom.

Jesus, Lord of Your Church,

All in Your mercy hear us.

Bless those who feel they have no gifts or value
and those who are powerless in this world's eyes,
that they may share their experience
of the work of Your Spirit.

Jesus, Lord of Your Church,

**All hear our prayer,
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve You with joy for ever. Amen.**

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The Lord's Prayer is said

Minister As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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**

Stand for the Blessing

Blessing

Bishop May God, who in Christ has shown us his truth and love, make you messengers of the Gospel and witnesses to the divine love before all the world.

All Amen.

Bishop May the Lord Jesus Christ, who promised that he would be with his Church until the end of time, guide your steps and fill your words with power.

All Amen.

Bishop May the Spirit of the Lord be upon you, enabling you as you go
 through the world to bring the Good News to all and to heal the
 broken-hearted.

All Amen.

The Bishop blesses the congregation

Bishop And the blessing of God Almighty,
 the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit
 be with you all, now and forever more.

All Amen.

*All stand to sing the hymn at the beginning of which the choir, readers and
other ministers leave in procession. The Bishop and new minister move to
the principal door of the church.*

Recessional Hymn

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

Will you leave your self behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare,
will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?

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

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

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

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The congregation turns to face the door

At the door the Bishop places the hand of the new minister upon the handle of the door and says:

The cure of souls is a ministry alongside all who live or work in this community. The church must be open to God's world and to all who seek him.

John, you are called to help the people who are refreshed here by their worship and fellowship to live out their faith in this community, so that God's love may be known.

Minister By God's grace, I will equip those who gather in this community to grow as disciples of Christ.

All By God's grace, we will be Christ's people at work in the world.

The new minister opens wide the door

The Bishop then offers a blessing on the local community:

Lord, look with love upon these parishes,
reach out with compassion to those in need,
extend your care for all in this community
and strengthen them by your blessing.
Amen.

The new minister then turns to the congregation and says:

Minister Go in the power of Christ

All We have a gospel to proclaim!

Minister Go in the peace of Christ

All Thanks be to God.



Duo aedificia sed una ecclesia
“Two buildings but one church”