



Rite II

**THE
INSTITUTION,
COLLATION or LICENSING
OF A
NEW PARISH PRIEST
WITHIN A CELEBRATION OF
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Notes

The Bishop acts as the Presiding Minister throughout the celebration.

Where the Archdeacon/Area Dean institutes a priest when the Bishop is not present, the Archdeacon/Area Dean acts as the presiding minister.

In this case the Archdeacon/Area Dean uses the Greeting *The Lord be with you* in place of the Episcopal Greeting *Peace be with you*.

It is recommended that this non-Eucharistic Inauguration of Ministry is complemented by an Inaugural Eucharist as the Principal Service on the first Sunday of the New Priest's ministry in the Parish.

The Inaugural Eucharist may take place on another day following the Institution if a greater attendance of the congregation would be achieved thereby.

THE GATHERING

At the entrance of the Bishop and ministers, all stand.

A hymn may be sung.

Bishop We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
All **Amen.**

From Easter Day to Pentecost this acclamation is added:

Bishop Alleluia. Christ is risen.
All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Bishop There is one body and one Spirit.
All **There is one hope to which we are called**
Bishop one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
All **one God and Father of all.**

Bishop Peace be with you
All **and also with you.**

The Congregation sits. The Bishop welcomes the congregation and introduces the Service.

The Presentation of the New Parish Priest

The Patron or Area Dean, accompanied by the Churchwardens, presents the Priest to the Bishop, saying

Right Reverend Father in God, I present to you *N* to be admitted to the Cure of Souls in this parish.

Representatives of the new Priest's previous parish or ecclesial community may commend the Priest using appropriate words.

The Declaration and the Oaths

The Bishops says to the Priest:

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?

The Declaration of Assent

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 will use only the forms of service which are authorised or allowed by Canon.

Then the Priest takes the oaths, holding the New Testament in the right hand.

The Priest faces the congregation for:

The Oath of Allegiance

I, *N*, swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, her heirs and successors, according to law.

The Priest faces the Bishop for:

The Oath of Canonical Obedience

I, *N*, swear do swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Bishop of London and the Area Bishop of Willesden and their duly appointed successors, in all things lawful and honest: So help me God.

A version of the Gloria in excelsis, or another hymn or song of praise, may be sung

The Collect

The Bishop introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding.

The Bishop says the following or another suitable Collect:

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 servant *N* now to be *instituted/collated/licensed etc*
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

Readings

Either one or two readings from Scripture precede the Gospel Reading.

At the end of each the reader may say:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A psalm or canticle follows the first reading; other hymns and songs may be used between the readings.

Gospel Reading

The following, or a suitable alternative, Acclamation may herald the Gospel Reading:

Alleluia, alleluia.

All Alleluia, alleluia.

I chose you and appointed you
that you should go and bear fruit that shall last.

All Alleluia.

In Lent, this, or an equivalent, form of the Gospel Acclamation is substituted:

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

I chose you and appointed you
that you should go and bear fruit that shall last.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Institution/Collation/Licensing

The Bishop reads the legal document and delivers it to the Priest (who holds the seal with both hands) saying these words

Receive the Cure of Souls which is both yours and mine; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Priest Amen.

The Bishop blesses the Parish Priest in appropriate words.

The Induction and Installation

The Bishop delivers the mandate of Induction to the Archdeacon/Area Dean saying:

Whereas we have duly and canonically admitted our well beloved in Christ, *N*, to the Cure of Souls in this parish, we hereby empower and require you to induct him/her into the real and actual possession of this Church and Benefice and to defend him/her so inducted.

or if there is no induction:

I ask you to install *N* as Priest in this parish.

The Archdeacon/Area Dean escorts the Priest to a seat designated for him/her. The Archdeacon/Area Dean says:

N, I install you as the Priest of this parish. The Lord will defend your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore. Amen.

The Archdeacon/Area Dean then places into the hands of the Priest the keys of the church and says:

At an induction:

By virtue of this mandate I induct you into the real and actual possession of this parish church with all the rights and responsibilities belonging to it.

or, at a licensing:

N, you are now the Priest of this Parish.

The Priest then goes to the Church Bell and tolls it as a sign of the start of his/her ministry in the Parish.

Representatives of the Community may welcome the new Parish Priest.

Prayers of Intercession or a Litany *may be said*

Prayers of Intercession *are offered and led by a variety of people, representing the congregation and the local community.*

or

The Litany is introduced by the Bishop who invites all to pray. The following, or some other form, is used:

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

All Lord, have mercy.

Representatives of the congregation and the local community continue the biddings:

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 Father.

All Lord, have mercy.

For all members of the Church in their vocation and ministry,
that they may serve him in truth and love,
let us pray to the Father.

All Lord, have mercy.

For *N* our Bishop for *N* our Parish Priest and those who assist him/her
that they may hunger for truth and thirst for righteousness,
let us pray to the Father.

All 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 Father.

All Lord, have mercy.

For those who are lost and for those who have strayed from the path,
that they may return to the way of Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

All Lord, have mercy.

For the sick and the suffering,
for the aged and the infirm,
for the lonely and the neglected,
and for all who care for them,
let us pray to the Father.

All Lord, have mercy.

Other biddings may be added, each concluding with the invocation:

let us pray to the Father.

All Lord, have mercy.

For ourselves;
for the forgiveness of our sins,
and for grace to amend our lives,
let us pray to the Father.

All Lord, have mercy.

The Prayers of Intercession and the Litany conclude with the saying of The Lord's Prayer.

Bishop Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**All 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.**

or:

Bishop As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All 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.**

Bishop Lord of the Church,

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

A hymn may be sung.

An Act of Commitment by Priest and People

All stand. The Bishop addresses the Priest and the congregation:

I now invite you to affirm together your commitment to the task of ministry, witness and service to which God is calling you all.

Priest We are to baptise

All and make new disciples.

Priest We are to read God's holy word

All and join together in prayer.

Priest We are to attend to God's word

All and proclaim it in the world.

Priest We are to celebrate the Eucharist

All and be formed as the Body of Christ.

Priest We are to care for this community

All and show the love of Christ to all in need.

Priest We are to seek the Kingdom of God

All and bring God's grace to human lives.

Priest We are to nurture our children

All and awaken in them a living faith.

Priest We are to lead all people to Jesus Christ

All and prepare them to enter his heavenly kingdom.

All pray in silence for awhile before saying together:

**We declare this day
that the Lord is our God:
we will walk in his ways,
we will keep his decrees,
we will obey his commands,
and live in the power of his Spirit.**

A time of informal prayer for the new Priest and other members of the Leadership Team may follow.

The Bishop extends his hands over Priest and people and says:

The Lord declares this day
that you are his own, his treasured possession;
work together as a people holy to the Lord your God,
and may God meet all your needs
from his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

All To God our Father be glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Notices

The new Parish Priest announces the time of the Inaugural Eucharist and may give other notices.

Blessing

The Bishop uses the following, or another appropriate, blessing:

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and hope in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

or:

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

A minister says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

or:

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

or, from Easter Day to Pentecost:

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Bishop, the New Priest and ministers depart.

A hymn may be sung.

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