

Celebrant
The Right Reverend Hugh Gilbert OSB
Bishop of Aberdeen

The Right Reverend Peter A. Moran
Bishop Emeritus of Aberdeen

Reverend Dr. David Canon Oakley
Rector St. Mary's College Oscott

Assisted by
Priests & Deacons of the Diocese of Aberdeen

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George A. E. Brand

Director of Music
Elizabeth Meiklejohn

Organist
Ronald Leith

The Aberdeen Diocesan Choir
with
St. Mary's Inverness Choir

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**ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD
of
DOMINIC IKECHUKWU NWAIGWE**

**Conferred by the
RIGHT REVEREND HUGH GILBERT OSB
Bishop of Aberdeen**



**St. Mary's Catholic Church
Huntly Street, Inverness**

Tuesday 20 August 2019

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I thank God for all his graces, blessings and above all, the gift of faith and courage that has sustained me through this journey to priesthood. I thank the Queen of Heaven for her motherly intercession.

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God bless you all
Father Dominic Nwaigwe

Prior to the Processional Hymn the Aberdeen Diocesan Choir will sing **LEAD ME, LORD**
Samuel S. Wesley (1810-1876)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Dan Schutte, based on Isaiah 6
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**I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry,
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?**

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

**I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? R/**

**I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? R/**

INTROIT

Jeremiah 3: 15

I will appoint over you shepherds after my own heart,
who will shepherd you wisely and prudently.

GREETING & PENITENTIAL RITE

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

ALL: Amen.

Bishop: Peace be with you.

ALL: And with your spirit.

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

**ALL: 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,**

and striking their breast the people say

**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.

ALL: Amen.

Lord, you show us love's true measure:

"Father, what they do, forgive."

**Yet we hoard as private treasure
all that you so freely give.**

**May your care and mercy lead us
to a just society;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.**

Lord, you bless with words assuring:

"I am with you to the end."

**Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend,
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.**



*Coat of Arms of the Diocese of Aberdeen
depicting a fret of salmon on a shield, and behind are placed in 'saltire'
an Episcopal cross, a crosier, a precious mitre, and at the foot
the Diocesan motto 'Together in Christ'*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Text: Jeffery W. Rowthorn (b. 1934)

Lord, you give the great commission:
"Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the Church neglect its mission,
and the Gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service:
"In my name baptise and teach."
That the world may trust your promise,
life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervour,
draw us closer in community;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you make the common holy:
"This my body, this my blood."
Let us all, for earth's true glory,
daily lift life heavenward,
asking that world around us
share your children's liberty;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

KYRIE MASS VIII - MISSA DE ANGELIS

Led by the Aberdeen Diocesan Choir

K Y-ri- e * e- lé- i-son. ij. Christe
e- lé- i-son. ij. Ky-ri- e e-
lé- i-son. Ky-ri- e * ** e- lé- i-son.

GLORIA MASS VIII - MISSA DE ANGELIS

Sung by ALL

G Ló-ri- a in excél-sis De- o. Et in terra pax homí-ni-bus bonæ
vo-luntá- tis. Laudá-mus te. Be-ne-dí-cimus te. Ado-rá-mus te.
Glo-ri- fi-cá-mus te. Grá-ti- as á-gimus ti-bi propter magnam gló-ri- am tu- am.
Dóni-ne De- us, Rex cæ-lé- stis, De- us Pa-ter omní-pot- ens. Dóni-ne Fi- li



u-ni-gé-ni-te Ie-su Chri-ste. Dómi-ne De-us, Agnus De-i, Fí-li-us

Pa-tris. Qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-di, mi-se-ré-re no-bis. Qui tol-lis peccá-ta

múndi, súsci-pe depre-ca-ti-ó-nem no-stram. Qui se-des ad déxte-ram

Pá-tris, mi-se-ré-re nó-bis. Quó-ni-am tu so-lus sanctus. Tu so-lus Dómi-nus.

Tu so-lus Al-tís-simus, Iesu Chri-ste. Cum Sancto Spí-ri-tu,

in gló-ri-a De-i Pa-tris. A-men.

OPENING PRAYER

Bishop: Lord our God, who in governing your people make use of the ministry of Priests, grant a persevering obedience to your will to this Deacon of your Church, whom you graciously choose today for the office of the priesthood, so that by his ministry and life he may gain glory for you in Christ. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

SOLEMN BLESSING

Bishop: May God, who founded the Church and guides her still, protect you constantly with his grace, that you may faithfully discharge the duties of Priesthood.

ALL: Amen.

Bishop: May he make you a servant and a witness in the world to divine charity and truth and a faithful minister of reconciliation.

ALL: Amen.

Bishop: And may he make you a true shepherd to provide the living bread and word of life to the faithful, that they may continue to grow in the unity of the Body of Christ.

ALL: Amen

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

ALL: Amen.

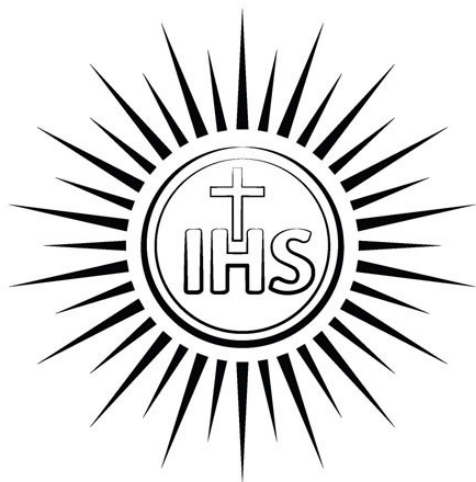
Deacon: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

AVE VERUM CORPUS

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Sung by the Aberdeen Diocesan Choir
and St. Mary's Inverness Choir



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Bishop: May the divine sacrifice that we have
offered and received, O Lord, give new life
to your Priests and to all your servants,
that, united to you in unfailing love, they
may receive the grace of giving worthy
service to your majesty.

Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

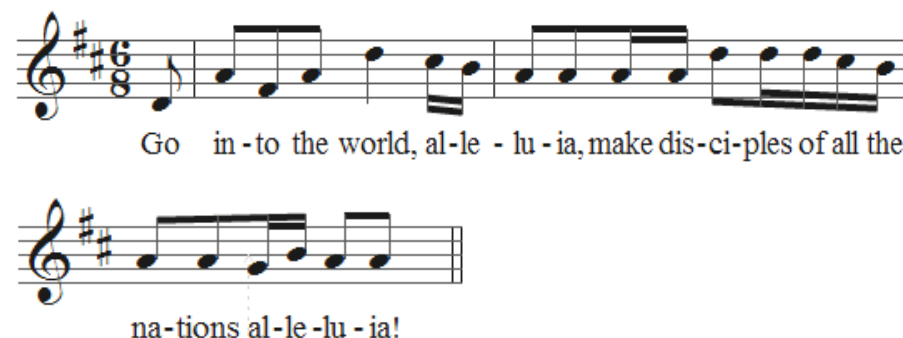
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 61: 1-3

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Sung by the Aberdeen Diocesan Choir



SECOND READING

First Letter of St. Peter 4: 7-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 15: 15



I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learned from my Father.

Repeat the Alleluia as above.

GOSPEL READING

John 15: 9-17

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

at the conclusion of the Gospel

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



The Rite of Ordination to the Priesthood now takes place.

COMMUNION HYMN 2

St. Thomas Aquinas (1227-74), tr. E. Caswall

O Godhead hid, devoutly I adore thee,
who truly art within the forms before me;
to thee my heart I bow with bended knee,
as failing quite in contemplating thee.

Sight, touch, and taste in thee are each deceived,
the ear alone most safely is believed:
I believe all the Son of God has spoken;
than truth's own word there is no truer token.

God only on the cross lay hid from view;
but here lies hid at once the manhood too:
and I, in both professing my belief,
make the same prayer as the repentant thief.

Thy wounds, as Thomas saw, I do not see;
yet thee confess my Lord and God to be;
make me believe thee ever more and more,
in thee my hope, in thee my love to store.

O thou memorial of our Lord's own dying!
O bread that living art and vivifying!
Make ever thou my soul on thee to live;
ever a taste of heavenly sweetness give.

Jesus, whom for the present veiled I see,
what I so thirst for, oh, vouchsafe to me:
that I may see thy countenance unfolding,
and may be blest thy glory in beholding.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

If you are not a full member of the Catholic Church, or are unable to receive communion for any reason, you are welcome to come forward to receive a Blessing; please indicate this by crossing your arms in front of your chest.

COMMUNION HYMN 1

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above;
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
pure and sinless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

RITE OF ORDINATION

ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATE

The candidate is called by a Deacon.

Deacon: Let **Dominic Ikechukwu Nwaigwe** who is to be ordained a Priest, come forward.

Candidate: Present.

When the candidate is in his place before the Bishop, the Priest designated by the Bishop says.

Canon David: Most Reverend Father, Holy Mother Church asks you to ordain **Dominic Ikechukwu Nwaigwe**, our brother, to the responsibility of the Priesthood.

Bishop: Do you know him to be worthy?

Canon David: After inquiry among the Christian people and upon the recommendation of those responsible, I testify that he has been found worthy.

Bishop: Relying on the help of the Lord God and our Saviour Jesus Christ, we choose **Dominic Ikechukwu Nwaigwe**, our brother, for the Order of the Priesthood.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

Right Reverend Hugh Gilbert OSB, Bishop of Aberdeen.

PROMISE OF THE ELECT

Bishop: Dear son, before you enter the Order of the Priesthood, you must declare before the people your intention to undertake this office.

Do you resolve, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to discharge without fail the office of Priesthood in the presbyteral rank, as a worthy fellow worker with the Order of Bishops in caring for the Lord's flock?

Elect: I do.

Bishop: Do you resolve to exercise the ministry of the word worthily and wisely, preaching the Gospel and teaching the Catholic Faith?

Elect: I do.

Bishop: Do you resolve to celebrate faithfully and reverently, in accord with the Church's tradition, the mysteries of Christ, especially the Sacrifice of the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, for the glory of God and the sanctification of the Christian people?

Elect: I do.

Bishop: Do you resolve to implore with us God's mercy upon the people entrusted to your care by observing the command to pray without ceasing?

Elect: I do.

AGNUS DEI MASS VIII - MISSA DE ANGELIS

Sung by ALL

6. **A** - gnus De- i, * qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-di : mi-se-
ré-re no- bis. Agnus De- i, * qui tol- lis peccá-ta
mun-di : mi-se-ré-re no- bis. A-gnus De- i, * qui tol-
lis peccá-ta mun-di : dona no-bis pa- cem.

COMMUNION INVITATION

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.

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

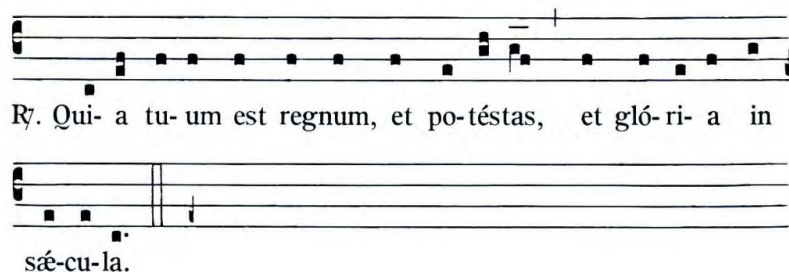
Mark 16:15; Matthew 28:20

Sung by the Aberdeen Diocesan Choir

Go into the world, and proclaim the Gospel.

I am with you always, says the Lord.

ALL Respond:



Bishop: 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.

ALL: Amen.

SIGN OF PEACE

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

ALL: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All offer one another a sign of peace
according to local custom or individual preference.*

Bishop: Do you resolve to be united more closely every day to Christ the High Priest, who offered himself for us to the Father as a pure Sacrifice, and with him to consecrate yourself to God for the salvation of all?

Elect: I do, with the help of God.

*Then the elect goes to the Bishop, and kneeling before him,
places his joined hands between those of the Bishop.*

Bishop: Do you promise respect and obedience to me and my successors?

Candidate: I do.

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

LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

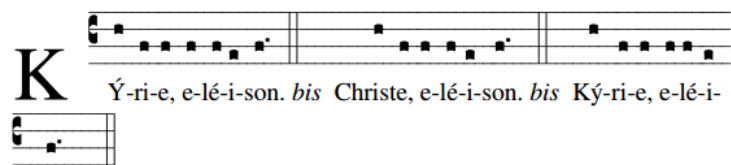
*Then all stand. After putting aside the mitre, the Bishop
stands, faces the people, and, with his hands joined, invites
them to pray.*

Bishop: My dear people, let us pray that God the all-powerful Father will pour out abundantly the gifts of heaven on this, his servant, whom he has chosen for the office of Priest.

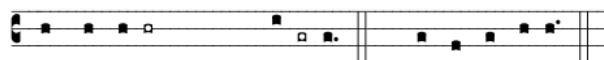
*The elect prostrates himself and the Litany is sung,
while the Bishop and all the people kneel.*

Deacon: Let us kneel.

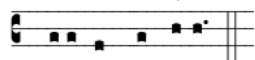
LITANY OF THE SAINTS



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Sancta Ma-rí-a, Mater De- i, R̃. O-ra pro nobis.



R̃. Orá-te pro nobis.

Sancta Dei Genetrix,
Sancte Míchael,
Sancti Ángeli Dēi,
Sancte Ioánnes Baptísta,
Sancte Jóseph,
Sancti Petre et Páule,
Sancte Andréa,
Sancte Joánnes,
Sancta María Magdaléna,
Sancte Stéphane,
Sancte Ignáti (*Antioch*),
Sancte Lauréti,
Sanctae Perpétua et Felícitas,
Sancta Ágnes,
Sancti Leo et Gregóri,
Sancte Augustíne,
Sancte Athanási,
Sancte Basíli,
Sancte Martíne,
Sancte Benedícite,
Sancti Francísce et Domínice,

ora pro nobis.
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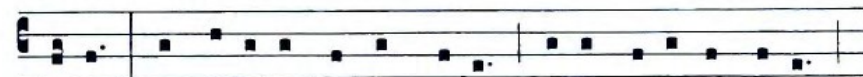
PATER NOSTER

Sung by ALL

Bishop: Præcéptis salutáribus móniti, et divína
institutióne formáti, audémus dícere:



Pa-ter noster, qui es in cæ-lis : sancti- fi-cé-tur nomen



tu-um; advé-ni- at regnum tu-um; fi- at vo-lúntas tu- a,



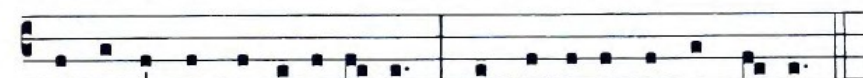
sic-ut in cæ-lo, et in terra. Panem nostrum co-ti-di- á-



num da no-bis hó-di- e; et dimítte no-bis dé-bi-ta nostra,



sic-ut et nos dimít-timus de-bi-tó-ri-bus nostris; et ne nos



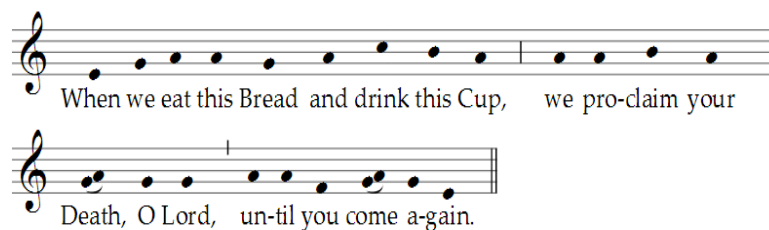
indú-cas in tenta-ti- ó-nem; sed lí-be-ra nos a ma- lo.

Bishop: Libera nos, quæsumus, Dómine, ab ómnibus
malis, da propítius pacem in diébus nostris, ut ope
misericórdiæ tuæ adiúti, et a peccáto simus
semper líberi et ab omni perturbatióne secúri:
expectántes beátam spem et advéntum Salvatóris
nostri Iesu Christi.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Sung by ALL

Bishop: The mystery of faith.



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I (continues)

THE GREAT AMEN

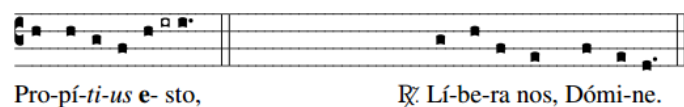
Sung by ALL



Icon of the Mystical Supper in the Upper Room

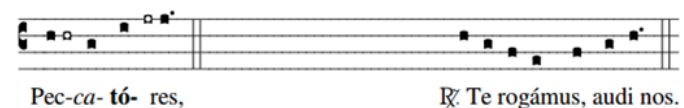
Sancte Francísce (*Xavier*),
Sancte Vincénti (*de Paul*),
Sancte Bernarde (*Corleone*),
Sancte Joánnēs María (*Vianney*),
Beate Cypriáne (*Tansi*),
Sancta Catharína (*Siena*),
Sancta Terésia a Iésu,
Omnes Sancti et Sanctae **Déi**,

ora pro **nobis**.
ora pro **nobis**.
ora pro **nobis**.
ora pro **nobis**.
ora pro **nobis**.
ora pro **nobis**.
ora pro **nobis**.
oráte pro **nobis**.



Ab omni málo,
Ab omni peccáto,
A morte perpétua,
Per incarnatiónem **túam**,
Per mortem et resurrectiόnem **túam**,
Per effusiόnem Spíritus **Sáncti**,

líbera nos, Dómine.
líbera nos, Dómine.
líbera nos, Dómine.
líbera nos, Dómine.
líbera nos, Dómine.
líbera nos, Dómine.



Ut Ecclesiám tuam sanctam / régere et conserváre dignéris,
te rogámus, audi nos.
Ut domnum apostólicum / et omnes ecclesiásticos ordines / in
sancta religiόne conserváre dignéris,
te rogámus, audi nos.
Ut hunc eléctum benedícere dignéris,
te rogámus, audi nos.
Ut hunc eléctum benedícere / et sanctificáre dignéris,
te rogámus, audi nos.
Ut hunc eléctum benedícere / et sanctificáre / et consecráre
dignéris,
te rogámus, audi nos.

Ut cunctis pópulis / pacem et veram concórdiam donáre
dignéris,

te rogámus, audi nos.

Ut ómnibus in tribulatióne versántibus / misericórdiam tuam
largíri dignéris,

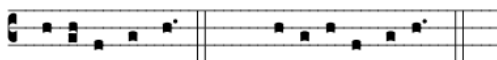
te rogámus, audi nos.

Ut nosmetípsos in tuo sancto servítio / confortáre et
conserváre dignéris,

te rogámus, audi nos.

Jesu, Fili Dei vívi,

te rogámus, audi nos.



Christe, audi nos. *bis* Christe, exáudi nos. *bis*

*After the singing of the Litany, the Bishop standing alone,
and with hands extended, sings or says*

Bishop: Hear us, we beseech you, Lord our God, and
pour out on this servant of yours the blessing of
the Holy Spirit and the power of priestly grace,
that this man, whom in the sight of your mercy
we offer to be consecrated, may be surrounded
by your rich and unfailing gifts. Through Christ
our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Deacon: Let us stand.

SANCTUS MASS VIII - MISSA DE ANGELIS

Sung by ALL

VI (XI) XII. s.

S An- ctus, * Sanctus, San- ctus Dó- mi- nus

De- us Sá- ba- oth. Ple- ni sunt cae- li et

ter- ra gló- ri- a tu- a. Ho- sánna in excél- sis.

Bene- dí- ctus qui ve- nit in nómi- ne Dó- mi- ni. Ho-

sán- na in excél- sis.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I

The Roman Canon

*Mention of the newly ordained in the Eucharistic Prayer
is made using the following words*

HANC IGITUR

Bishop: Therefore, Lord, we pray: graciously accept this
oblation of our service, that of your whole
family, which we make to you also for this your
servant, whom you have been pleased to raise to
the Order of the Priesthood; and in your mercy,
keep safe your gifts in him, so that what he has
received by divine commission he may fulfil by
divine assistance.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Bishop: O God, who have willed that your Priests should minister at the holy altar and serve your people, grant by the power of this sacrifice, we pray, that the labours of your servants may constantly please you and in your Church bear that fruit which lasts for ever. Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: **Amen.**

*In the Eucharistic Prayer mention is made
of the newly ordained Priest*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Bishop: The Lord be with you..

ALL: **And with your spirit.**

Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: **It is right and just.**

PREFACE

The Priesthood of Christ and the Ministry of Priests

LAYING ON OF HANDS

*The elect rises and goes to kneel before the Bishop,
who stands at the chair wearing the mitre.*

*The Bishop lays his hands upon his head, without saying
anything. After this all the Priests present, wearing stoles,
lay hands on the elect, without saying anything, and remain
alongside the Bishop until the end of the Prayer of Ordination
in such a way that the faithful may have
a clear view of the rite.*



*Then, with the elect kneeling before him,
the Bishop puts aside the mitre, and, with hands extended,
he sings or says the Prayer of Ordination.*

PRAYER OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Draw near, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, author of human dignity: it is you who apportion all graces. Through you everything progresses; through you all things are made to stand firm. To form a priestly people you appoint ministers of Christ your Son by the power of the Holy Spirit, arranging them in different orders.

Already in the earlier covenant offices arose, established through mystical rites: when you set Moses and Aaron over your people to govern and sanctify them, you chose men next in rank and dignity to accompany them and assist them in their task.

So too in the desert you implanted the spirit of Moses in the hearts of seventy wise men; and with their help he ruled your people with greater ease.

So also upon the sons of Aaron you poured an abundant share of their father's plenty, that the number of the priests prescribed by the Law might be sufficient for the sacrifices of the tabernacle, which were a shadow of the good things to come.

But in the last days, holy Father, you sent your Son into the world, Jesus, who is Apostle and High Priest of our confession. Through the Holy Spirit he offered himself to you as a spotless victim; and he made his Apostles, consecrated in the truth, sharers in his mission. You provided them also with companions to proclaim and carry out the work of salvation throughout the whole world.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Liturgy of the Eucharist is concelebrated in the usual way, without the preparation of the chalice

Bishop: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

ALL: Blessed be God for ever.

Bishop: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

ALL: Blessed be God for ever.

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

ALL: 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.

COME DOWN, O LOVE DIVINE

*Text: Discendi, amor santo by Bianco da Siena (d. 1434)
trans. Richard F. Littledale (1833-1890) alt.*

Come down, O love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing:
O comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till we become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

And now we beseech you, Lord, in our weakness, to
grant us this helper that we need to exercise the
Priesthood that comes from the Apostles.

Grant, we pray, Almighty Father, to this your servant
the dignity of the Priesthood; renew deep within him the
Spirit of holiness; may he henceforth possess this office,
which comes from you, O God, and is next in rank to the
office of Bishop; and by the example of his manner of
life, may he instil right conduct.

May he be a worthy co-worker with our Order, so that
by his preaching and through the grace of the Holy
Spirit the words of the Gospel may bear fruit in human
hearts and reach even to the ends of the earth.

Together with us, may he be a faithful steward of your
mysteries, so that your people may be renewed in the
waters of rebirth and nourished from your altar; so that
sinners may be reconciled and the sick raised up. May
he be joined with us, Lord, in imploring your mercy for
the people entrusted to his care and for all the world.

And so may the full number of the nations, gathered
together in Christ, be transformed into your one people
and made perfect in your Kingdom. Through our Lord
Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

INVESTITURE

After the Prayer of Ordination, all sit. The Bishop puts on the mitre and the newly ordained Priest stands. The priests assisting the Bishop return to their places, and a priest helps the newly ordained Priest to arrange the stole in the manner proper to Priests and to put on the chasuble.

VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS (Chant)

Giovanni Vianini

Sung by the Aberdeen Diocesan Choir

Next, the Bishop receives a linen gremial, and anoints with holy Chrism the palms of the new Priest as he kneels before him.

ANOINTING OF HANDS

Bishop: The Lord Jesus Christ, whom the Father anointed with the Holy Spirit and power, guard and preserve you that you may sanctify the Christian people and offer sacrifice to God.

Some of the faithful bring a paten holding the bread and a chalice containing the wine mixed with water for the celebration of Mass.

A Deacon receives them and hands them to the Bishop, who places them in the hands of the newly ordained Priest as he kneels before him.

HANDING OVER OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Bishop: Receive the oblation of the holy people to be offered to God. Understand what you do, imitate what you celebrate, and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord's Cross.



KISS OF PEACE

Lastly, the Bishop now gives the newly ordained Priest the fraternal kiss, saying.

Bishop: Peace be with you.

The newly ordained Priest replies.

Priest: And with your spirit.

And then all the priests present, give the fraternal kiss to the newly ordained Priest

