

Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

"The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to the harvest" (Luke 10:2)

Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest.
Inspire in the hearts of your people vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity.
May those whom you call to the priesthood and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in the work.

O Mary, Immaculate Mother of God and our Mother
we beg you to obtain for us by your intercession the grace of an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Amen.

Saint Ambrose Barlow, pray for us.

Saint John Southworth, pray for us.

Lord, make me a better person, more considerate towards others,
more honest with myself, more faithful to you.
Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life,
and grant that through it I may find happiness myself
and bring happiness to others. Amen.

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Cathedral Church of
St. John the Evangelist, Salford.

Friday

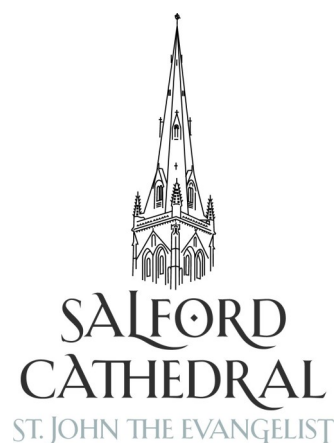
27th November 2020



The Right Reverend John Arnold,
Bishop of Salford

Salford Cathedral Choir
Director of Music: Alex Patterson
Organist: Anthony Hunt

Thank you for joining us for this
wonderful Diocesan occasion.



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INTRODUCTORY RITES

Procession

Opening Hymn:

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes;
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace!

All make the sign of the cross while the Bishop says:

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

Response: **Amen**

Bishop: Peace be with you.

Response: **And with your spirit.**

The Bishop introduces the celebration and invites us to call to mind our sins and repent of them.

I confess to Almighty God...

KYRIE

5. **K** Y-ri- e e- lé- i-son. *ijj.* Chri-
ste e- lé- i-son. *ijj.* Ky-ri- e
e- lé- i-son. *ijj.* Ky-ri- e
e- lé- i-son.

GLORIA

G Ló-ri- a in excélsis De- o. Et in terra pax ho-
mí-ni-bus bonae vo-luntá- tis. Laudá- mus te. Be-ne-dí-
cimus te. A-do-rá- mus te. Glo-ri- fi- cá- mus te. Grá-
ti- as á- gi- mus tí- bi propter magnam gló-ri- am tu- am.
Dó-mi- ne De- us, Rex caeléstis, De- us Pa- ter omní- pot- ens.
Dó-mi- ne Fi- lí- u- ni- gé- ní- te Ie- su Chri- ste. Dó-mi- 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 mun-
di, sú- sci- pe depre- ca- ti- ó- nem no- stram. Qui se- des ad
dexte- ram Pa- tris, mi- se- ré- re no- bis. Quó- ni- am tu so- lus
sanctus. Tu so- lus Dó- mi- nus. Tu so- lus Al- tí- ssimus,
Ie- su Chri- ste. Cum Sancto Spí- ri- tu, in gló- ri- a De- i
Pa- tris. A- men.

Please join in singing the final hymn

Church of God, elect and glorious,
holy nation, chosen race;
called as God's own special people,
royal priests and heirs of grace:
know the purpose of your calling,
show to all his mighty deeds;
tell of love which knows no limits,
grace which meets all human needs.

God has called you out of darkness
into his most marvellous light,
brought his truth to life within you,
turned your blindness into sight.
Let your light so shine around you
that God's name is glorified;
and all find fresh hope and purpose
in Christ Jesus crucified.

Once you were an alien people,
strangers to God's heart of love;
but he brought you home in mercy,
citizens of heaven above.
Let his love flow out to others,
let them feel a Father's care;
that they too may know his welcome
and his countless blessings share.

Church of God, elect and holy,
be the people he intends;
strong in faith and swift to answer
each command your master sends:
royal priests, fulfil your calling
through your sacrifice and prayer;
give your lives in joyful service –
sing his praise, his love declare.

O bond of love, that dost unite the servant to his living Lord; could I dare live, and not requite such love, then death were meet reward: I cannot live unless to prove some love for such unmeasured love	Beloved Lord in heaven above, there, Jesus, thou awaitest me; to gaze on thee with changeless love, yes, thus I hope, thus shall it be: for how can he deny me heaven who here on earth himself hath given?
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St Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787), tr. Edmund Vaughan (1827-1908)

THE CONCLUDING RITES

*The Bishop says the **Post-Communion Prayer**:*

Bishop: Let us pray.
All: We beseech you, almighty God, that those you renew by your
Sacraments may merit to become the pleasing fragrance of Christ.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Response: **Amen**

*The Bishop gives the **Solemn Blessing**.*

Bishop: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**
Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord.
All: **Now and forever.**
Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
All: **Who made heaven and earth.**
Bishop: May Almighty God bless you,
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.**

*The Bishop says the **Opening Prayer**:*

O God, who anointed your only begotten Son with the Holy Spirit
and made him Christ and Lord, graciously grant, that, being made
sharers in his consecration, we may bear witness to your
Redemption in the world. 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.

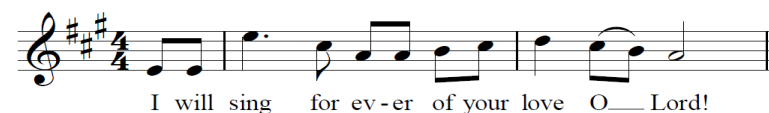
Response: **Amen**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the prophet Isaiah [61: 1-3, 6, 8-9]

The Lord has anointed me and has sent me to bring Good News to the poor, to give them the oil of gladness.

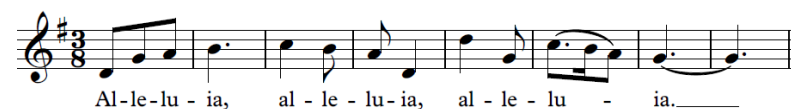
**Responsorial
Psalm**



A reading from the book of the Apocalypse [1:5-8]

He made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father.

**Gospel
Acclamation**



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke [4:16-21]

The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me.

Homily - The Right Reverend John Arnold, Bishop of Salford

Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service

The Bishop addresses his priests:

Bishop: Beloved sons, on the anniversary of that day when Christ our Lord conferred his priesthood on his Apostles and on us, are you resolved to renew, in the presence of your Bishop, and God's holy people, the promises you once made?

Priests: I am.

Bishop: Are you resolved to be more unified with the Lord Jesus and more closely conformed to him, denying yourselves and confirming those promises about sacred duties towards Christ's Church which, prompted by love of him, you willingly and joyfully pledged on the day of your priestly ordination?

Priests: I am.

Bishop: Are you resolved to be faithful stewards of the mysteries of God in the Holy Eucharist and the other liturgical rites and to discharge faithfully the sacred office of teaching, following Christ the Head and Shepherd, not seeking any gain, but moved only by zeal for souls?

Priests: I am.

The Bishop addresses the people:

Bishop: As for you, dearest sons and daughters, pray for your priests, that the Lord may pour out his gifts abundantly upon them, and keep them faithful as ministers of Christ, the High Priest, so that they may lead you to him, who is the source of salvation.

People: Christ, hear us. Christ graciously hear us.

Bishop: And pray also for me, that I may be faithful to the apostolic office entrusted to me in my lowliness and that in your midst I may be made day by day a living and more perfect image of Christ, The Priest, the Good Shepherd, the Teacher and the Servant of all.

People: Christ, hear us. Christ graciously hear us.

Bishop: May the Lord keep us all in his charity and lead all of us, shepherds and flock, to eternal life.

AGNUS DEI

VI XV. s.

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.

The Bishop genuflects then holds up the Host and says:

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.

Response:

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

Holy Communion antiphon

Dilexisti justitiam, et odisti iniquitatem: propterea unxit te Deus, Deus tuus.
You love justice, and you hate inequity, hence God, your God, has anointed you.

Communion Hymn

O bread of heaven, beneath this veil
thou dost my very God conceal;
my Jesus, dearest treasure, hail;
I love thee and adoring kneel;
each loving soul by thee is fed
with thine own self in form of bread.

O food of life, thou who dost give
the pledge of immortality;
I live; no, 'tis not I that live;
God gives me life, God lives in me:
he feeds my soul, he guides my ways,
and every grief with joy repays.

To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners, hope in your abundant mercies, graciously grant some share and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia and all your Saints; admit us, we beseech you, into their company, not weighing our merits but granting us your pardon through Christ our Lord.

The Bishop says:

Through whom you continue to make all these good things, O Lord; you sanctify them, fill them with life, bless them, and bestow them upon us.

The Bishop and concelebrant sing:



The Bishop introduces the Lord's Prayer and all say it together.

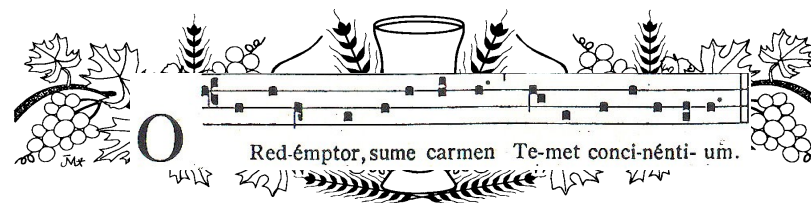
Following the prayer, Deliver us, Lord, we pray from every evil...

All: For the Kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Following the prayer for peace, the Bishop says:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Response: And with your spirit.



THE BLESSING OF THE OILS

The Bishop now blesses the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Catechumens and consecrates the Sacred Chrism for sacramental use in the Diocese.

During the blessing please sing:

Blessing of the Oil of the Sick



The Bishop blesses the Oil of the Sick, saying:

Lord God, loving Father, you bring healing to the sick through your Son Jesus Christ. Hear us as we pray to you in faith, and send the Holy Spirit, man's Helper and Friend, upon this oil, which nature has provided to serve the needs of men. May your blessing ✠ come upon all who are anointed with this oil, that they may be freed from pain and illness and made well again in body, mind and soul. Father, may this oil be blessed for our use in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever.

Response: Amen, and repeat "O Redeemer"

Blessing of the Oil of Catechumens

The Bishop blesses the Oil of Catechumens, saying:

Lord God, protector of all who believe in you, bless + this oil and give wisdom and strength to all who are anointed with it in preparation for their baptism. Bring them to a deeper understanding of the gospel, help them to accept the challenge of Christian living, and lead them to the joy of new birth in the family of your Church.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Response: Amen

All please sing:



Consecration of the Sacred Chrism

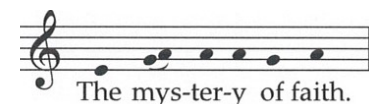
The Bishop pours the balsam in the oil in silence and then says:

Let us pray that God our almighty Father will bless this oil so that all who are anointed with it may be inwardly transformed and come to share in eternal salvation.

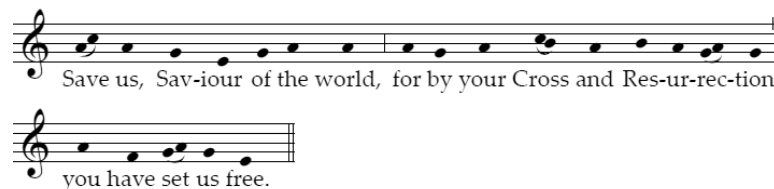
The Bishop breathes over the opening of the vessel of chrism and says the following prayer:

God our maker, Source of all growth in holiness, accept the joyful thanks and praise we offer in the name of your Church.
In the beginning, at your command, the earth produced fruit bearing trees. From the fruit of the olive tree you have provided us with oil for holy chrism. The prophet David sang of the life and joy that the oil would bring us in the sacraments of your love.

Bishop:



Response:



Bishop and concelebrant continue:

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed Passion, the Resurrection from the dead, and the glorious Ascension into heaven of Christ, your Son our Lord, we, your servants and your holy people, offer to your glorious majesty from the gifts that you have given us, this pure victim, this holy victim, this spotless victim, the holy Bread of eternal life and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon these offerings with a serene and kindly countenance, and to accept them, as once you were pleased to accept the gifts of your servant Abel the just, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek, a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

Bowing, with hands joined, the Bishop and concelebrant continue:

In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God: command that these gifts be borne by the hands of your holy Angel to your altar on high in the sight of your divine majesty, so that all of us, who through this participation at the altar receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son,

Bishop and concelebrant stand upright and sign themselves with the Sign of the Cross, saying:
may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing.

Remember also, Lord, your servants who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace. Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light

In communion with those whose memory we venerate, especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ, and blessed Joseph, her Spouse, your blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Jude; Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian and all your Saints; we ask that through their merits and prayers, in all things we may be defended by your protecting help.

The Bishop says:

Therefore, Lord, we pray: graciously accept this oblation of our service, that of your whole family; order our days in your peace, and command that we be delivered from eternal damnation and counted among the flock of those you have chosen.

Bishop and concelebrant, extending their hands, say:

Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless, acknowledge, and approve this offering in every respect; make it spiritual and acceptable, so that it may become for us the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer, he took bread in his holy and venerable hands, and with eyes raised to heaven to you, O God, his almighty Father, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took this precious chalice in his holy and venerable hands, and once more giving you thanks, he said the blessing and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS
THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND
ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR
YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

After the avenging Flood, the dove returning to Noah with an olive branch announced your gift of peace. This was a sign of a greater gift to come. Now the waters of baptism wash away the sins of men, and by the anointing with olive oil you make us radiant with your joy.

At your command, Aaron was washed with water, and your servant Moses, his brother, anointed him priest. This too foreshadowed greater things to come.

After your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, asked John for baptism in the waters of Jordan, you sent the Spirit upon him in the form of a dove and by the witness of your own voice you declared him to be your only, well beloved Son.

In this you clearly fulfilled the prophecy of David, that Christ would be anointed with the oil of gladness beyond his fellow men.

The Bishop and concelebrant extend their right hands towards the Chrism

And so, Father, we ask you to bless + this oil you have created, fill it with the power of your Holy Spirit through Christ your Son. It is from him that chrism takes its name and with chrism you have anointed for yourself priests and kings, prophets and martyrs.

Make this chrism a sign of life and salvation for those who are to be born again in the waters of baptism. Wash away the evil they have inherited from sinful Adam, and when they are anointed with this holy oil make them temples of your glory, radiant with the goodness of life that has its source in you. Through this sign of chrism grant them royal, priestly, and prophetic honour, and clothe them with incorruption.

Let this be indeed the chrism of salvation for those who will be born again of water and the Holy Spirit. May they come to share eternal life in the glory of your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Response: **Amen**, and repeat “O Redeemer”

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts of bread and wine

‘The Lord’s my shepherd’ by Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

The Bishop says the Prayer over the Gifts:

May the power of this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray,
mercifully wipe away what is old in us and increase
in us grace of salvation and newness of life.
Through Christ our Lord.

Response: **Amen.**

The Bishop says the Preface of the Priesthood of Christ and the Ministry of Priests

The Lord be with you. **R: And with your spirit.**
Lift up your hearts. **R: We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **R: It is right and just.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For by the anointing of the Holy Spirit
you made your Only Begotten Son
High Priest of the new and eternal covenant,
and by your wondrous design were pleased to decree
that his one Priesthood should continue in the Church.

For Christ not only adorns with a royal priesthood
the people he has made his own
but with a brother’s kindness he also chooses men
to become sharers in his sacred ministry
through the laying on of hands.

They are to renew in his name the sacrifice of human redemption,
to set before your children the paschal banquet,
to lead your holy people in charity; to nourish them with the Word
and strengthen them with the Sacraments.

As they give up their lives for you and for the salvation of their
brothers and sisters, they strive to be conformed to the image of
Christ himself and offer you a constant witness of faith and love.

And so Lord with all the angels and saints,
We, too, give you thanks, as in exultation we acclaim:

SANCTUS

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.

The Bishop begins Eucharistic Prayer I, the Roman Canon:

To you, therefore, most merciful Father, we make humble prayer and
petition through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord: that you accept and bless
these gifts, these offerings, these holy and unblemished sacrifices, which we
offer you firstly for your holy catholic Church. Be pleased to grant her
peace, to guard, unite and govern her throughout the world, together with
your servant Francis our Pope, me your unworthy servant, and all those
who, holding to the truth, hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.

Remember, Lord, your servants and all gathered here, whose faith and
devotion are known to you. For them, we offer you this sacrifice of praise
or they offer it for themselves and all who are dear to them: for the
redemption of their souls, in the hope of health and well-being, and paying
their homage to you, the eternal God, living and true.