



CHESTER
CATHEDRAL

Choral Evensong

with the installation and collation
of

The Revd Christine Broad

as an Honorary Canon

Tuesday 4th May, 2021
at 5.30pm

HYMN

All stand as the Bell sounds and the Choir and Clergy enter; the Choir then sing

- 1 Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re clothe us in our rightful mind;
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.
- 2 In simple trust like theirs who heard
beside the Syrian sea
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee.
- 3 O sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!
- 4 Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and
stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

THE PRECES

Canon Jeremy and the choir sing

O Lord, open thou our lips.
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be
world without end. Amen.
Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's Name be praised.

John Reading (1645-92)

All sit

PSALM 22

- 1 My God, my God, look upon me;
why hast thou forsaken me :
and art so far from my health,
and from the words of my complaint?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the day-time,
but thou hearest not :
and in the night-season also
I take no rest.
- 3 And thou continuest holy :
O thou worship of Israel.
- 4 Our fathers hoped in thee :
they trusted in thee,
and thou didst deliver them.
- 5 They called upon thee,
and were holpen :
they put their trust in thee,
and were not confounded.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm,
and no man :
a very scorn of men,
and the outcast of the people.
- 7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn:
they shoot out their lips, and shake
their heads, saying,

PSALM 22

- 8 He trusted in God,
that he would deliver him :
let him deliver him, if he will have him.
- 9 But thou art he that took me
out of my mother's womb :
thou wast my hope,
when I hanged yet
upon my mother's breasts.
- 10 I have been left unto thee
ever since I was born:
thou art my God,
even from my mother's womb.
- 11 O go not from me,
for trouble is hard at hand :
and there is none to help me.
- 12 Many oxen are come about me :
fat bulls of Basan close me in
on every side.
- 13 They gape upon me with their mouths:
as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.
- 14 I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint :
my heart also in the midst of my body
is even like melting wax.

PSALM 22

- 15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue cleaveth to my gums :
and thou shalt bring me into the dust
of death.
- 16 For many dogs are come about me :
and the council of the wicked layeth
siege against me.
- 17 They pierced my hands and my feet;
I may tell all my bones :
they stand staring and looking upon
me.
- 18 They part my garments among them :
and cast lots upon my vesture.
- 19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord :
thou art my succour, haste thee to
help me.
- 20 Deliver my soul from the sword :
my darling from the power of the dog.
- 21 Save me from the lion's mouth :
thou hast heard me also from among
the horns of the unicorns.

PSALM 22

- 22 I will declare thy Name unto my brethren :
in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.
- 23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him :
magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob,
and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;
- 24 For he hath not despised, nor abhorred,
the low estate of the poor :
he hath not hid his face from him,
but when he called unto him he heard him.
- 25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation :
my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.
- 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied :
they that seek after the Lord shall praise him;
your heart shall live for ever.
- 27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves,
and be turned unto the Lord :
and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
- 28 For the kingdom is the Lord's :
and he is the Governor among the people.

PSALM 22

- 29 All such as be fat upon earth :
have eaten and worshipped.
- 30 All they that go down into the dust shall
kneel before him :
and no man hath quickened
his own soul.
- 31 My seed shall serve him :
they shall be counted unto the Lord for
a generation.
- 32 They shall come, and the heavens shall
declare his righteousness :
unto a people that shall be born,
whom the Lord hath made.

PSALM 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd :
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He shall feed me in a green pasture :
and lead me forth beside the waters of
comfort.
- 3 He shall convert my soul :
and bring me forth in the paths of
righteousness, for his Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil :
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy
staff comfort me.
- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me
against them that trouble me :
thou hast anointed my head with oil,
and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life :
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
for ever.

All stand

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be world without end. Amen.

All sit

1st READING

The first lesson is taken from the book of Deuteronomy, Chapter 8 beginning to read at the 1st verse. 8. 1-10

This entire commandment that I command you today you must diligently observe, so that you may live and increase, and go in and occupy the land that the Lord promised on oath to your ancestors. Remember the long way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, in order to humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commandments. He humbled you by letting you hunger, then by feeding you with manna, with which neither you nor your ancestors were acquainted, in order to make you understand that one does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. The clothes on your back did not wear out and your feet did not swell these forty years. Know then in your heart that as a parent disciplines a child so the Lord your God disciplines you. Therefore keep the commandments of the Lord your God, by walking in his ways and by fearing him. For

1st READING

the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Here ends the first lesson

All stand

MAGNIFICAT

My soul doth magnify the Lord:
and my spirit hath rejoiced
in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded:
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth:
all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me:
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him:
throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm:
he hath scattered the proud
in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty
from their seat:
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

MAGNIFICAT

He hath filled the hungry with good things:
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy
hath holpen his servant Israel:
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be
world without end. Amen.

*The Short Service, Orlando Gibbons
(1583-1625)*

All sit

2nd READING

The second lesson is taken from the Gospel according to St Matthew, chapter 6 beginning to read at verse 19. 6. 19-end

‘Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

‘The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

‘No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth. ‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds

2nd READING

of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

‘So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

Here ends the second lesson.

All stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest
thou thy servant depart in peace:
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation:
which thou hast prepared
before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be
world without end. Amen.

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Remain standing

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God
the **Father Almighty**,
maker of heaven and earth;
and in **Jesus Christ**
his only **Son our Lord**,
who was conceived
by the **Holy Ghost**,
born of the **Virgin Mary**,
suffered under **Pontius Pilate**,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell;

The third day
he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of **God**
the **Father Almighty**;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.

I believe in the **Holy Ghost**,
the holy **Catholic Church**;
the **Communion of Saints**;
the forgiveness of **Sins**;
the **Resurrection of the body**,
and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

THE LESSER LITANY

Canon Jeremy and the Lay Clerks sing

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

All sit

Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

RESPONSES

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.
O Lord, save the Queen.
And mercifully hear us
when we call upon thee.
Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
And make thy chosen people joyful.
O Lord, save thy people.
And bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, O Lord.
Because there is none other
that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.
O God, make clean our hearts within us.
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

John Reading (1645-92)

COLLECTS

Collect for 5th Sunday of Easter

O Almighty God,
who alone canst order the unruly wills
and affections of sinful men;
grant unto thy people,
that they may love the thing
which thou commandest,
and desire that which thou dost promise;
that so, among the sundry and manifold
changes of the world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed,
where true joys are to be found;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECTS

Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires,
all good counsels,
and all just works do proceed:
give unto thy servants that peace
which the world cannot give;
that both our hearts may be set to obey
thy commandments,
and also that by thee
we being defended
from the fear of our enemies
may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through the merits of Jesus Christ our
Saviour. Amen.

Collect for aid against all perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee,
O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us
from all perils and dangers of this night;
for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour,
Jesus Christ. Amen.

ANTHEM

**Jesu,
the very thought of thee**

Jesu, the very thought of thee
with sweetness fills my breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see,
and in thy presence rest.

Bernard of Clairvaux (1090–1153)

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

Homily

COLLATION

The Collation of The Revd Christine Broad as an Honorary Canon

Christine Broad is presented to Bishop Mark; he welcomes her and then continues saying:

This Cathedral Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary in Chester is a place of daily prayer and worship at the heart of our Diocese; it is for many a place of pilgrimage and exploration; it is a place where the work of the Bishop and Diocese can be focused; and it is the spiritual home of many regular worshippers. You are to be made a member of the College of Canons of this Cathedral and should seek to contribute to the corporate life of the Cathedral and to promote its mission and service in the Diocese and the wider church.

Bishop Mark receives the Letter of Collation and reads these. He then says to Carolyn Bruce:

Here is the mandate empowering and requiring the Dean to induct and install Christine as an Honorary Canon of this Cathedral Church.

PRESENTATION AND INSTALLATION

The Presentation

Here is the mandate of the Bishop requiring you to induct and install Christine as an Honorary Canon of this Cathedral Church.

The Installation

Dean Tim then says

I, Timothy Richard Stratford, Dean of the Cathedral Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary at Chester, by virtue of the Mandate from the Right Reverend Father in God, Mark Simon Austin Tanner, by Divine permission Lord Bishop of Chester, do induct and install you, Christine as an Honorary Canon into the real and actual possession of the canonry and stall, with all the rights and duties of the said canonry.

Dean Tim places Christine in her stall in turn, saying

Christine, the Lord preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth for evermore. **Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS

*Canon Jane Brooke leads the prayers of
intercession*

At the end, all say

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.**

All stand

HYMN

The choir sings

- 1 Father, hear the prayer we offer:
not for ease that prayer shall be,
but for strength that we may ever
live our lives courageously.

- 2 Not for ever in green pastures
do we ask our way to be;
but the steep and rugged pathway
may we tread rejoicingly.

- 3 Not for ever by still waters
would we idly rest and stay;
but would smite the living fountains
from the rocks along our way.

- 4 Be our strength in hours of weakness,
in our wanderings be our guide;
through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be thou at our side.

Love Maria Willis (1824-1908)

SUSSEX

Traditional English Melody

Remain standing

BLESSING

Bishop Mark says

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Organ Voluntary

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