



ST. ANSELM, HAYES

**EVENING PRAYER, LICENSING &
COMMISSIONING OF FR. JOSIAH**

A SPECIAL EVENING

This evening we welcome Bishop Jonathan who will Licence Fr. Josiah as our Mission Priest. He is joined by Bishop Lusa, the Archdeacon, Area Dean and clergy of the Hillingdon Deanery who will commission him to serve God in this place.

To be commissioned means to be *sent*. That is why it is so important that in our churches and communities the people who God has called to serve are commissioned into a new life.

It is a reminder that the task ahead is not just another job - it is nothing less than a sharing in the work of Jesus Christ. It is a task for which Fr. Josiah has been *sent* by Jesus.

Today we pray for Fr. Josiah and his family, and the work Jesus has placed in front of them and we pray for all of those who are discerning the call of Jesus in their lives.

You are very warmly invited to stay after the service and join us for what promises to be an excellent party.

With all my love and continued prayers.

Fr. Matthew

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

Please stand at the bell

Hymn

The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
The darkness falls at thy behest;
To thee our morning hymns ascended,
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank thee that thy Church unsleeping,
While earth rolls onward into light,
Through all the world her watch is keeping,
And rests not now by day or night.

As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun that bids us rest is waking
Our brethren 'neath the western sky,
And hour by hour fresh lips are making
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it, Lord; thy throne shall never,
Like earth's proud empires, pass away;
Thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever,
Till all thy creatures own thy sway.

We say together the words in italic

O God, come to our aid.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ever shall be,

world without end.

Amen.

Palm 109 (110)

The Messiah, king and priest

“He must be king so that he may put all his enemies under his feet” (1 Cor 15:25).

The Lord’s revelation to my Master: *‘Sit on my right.’ Alleluia.*

The Lord’s revelation to my Master:

‘Sit on my right:
your foes I will put beneath your feet.’

*The Lord will wield from Sion
your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.*

A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

*The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
‘You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.’*

The Master standing at your right hand
will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.

*He shall drink from the stream by the wayside
and therefore he shall lift up his head.*

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

Amen.

The Lord’s revelation to my Master: ‘Sit on my right.’ Alleluia.

Psalm 110 (111)

Great are the works of the Lord

“How great and wonderful are all your works, Lord God Almighty” (Rev 15:3).

The Lord is full of merciful love: *he makes us remember his wonders. Alleluia.*

I will thank the Lord with all my heart
in the meeting of the just and their assembly.
Great are the works of the Lord,
to be pondered by all who love them.

*Majestic and glorious his work,
his justice stands firm for ever.
He makes us remember his wonders.
The Lord is compassion and love.*

He gives food to those who fear him;
keeps his covenant ever in mind.
He has shown his might to his people
by giving them the lands of the nations.

*His works are justice and truth,
his precepts are all of them sure,
standing firm for ever and ever;
they are made in uprightness and truth.*

He has sent deliverance to his people
and established his covenant for ever.
Holy his name, to be feared.

*To fear the Lord is the first stage of wisdom;
all who do so prove themselves wise.
His praise shall last for ever!*

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

Amen.

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Canticle (Apocalypse 19) The wedding of the Lamb

The Lord our God Almighty *is king, alleluia.*

Alleluia.

Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,
his judgements are true and just.

Alleluia.

Alleluia.

*Praise our God, all you his servants,
you who fear him, small and great.*

Alleluia.

Alleluia.

The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns,
let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

Alleluia.

Alleluia.

*The marriage of the Lamb has come,
and his bride has made herself ready.*

Alleluia.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ever shall be,

world without end.

Amen.

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Short Reading

1 Peter 1:3-5

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time.

Short Responsory

Blessed are you, O Lord, in the vault of heaven.

— *Blessed are you, O Lord, in the vault of heaven.*

You are exalted and glorified above all else for ever.

— *Blessed are you, O Lord, in the vault of heaven.*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

— *Blessed are you, O Lord, in the vault of heaven.*

Magnificat

George Dyson (1883-1964) *Evening Service in C-Minor*

My soul doth mag-ni-fy the Lord, and my spi-rit hath re-joic-ed, re-joic-ed in God my Sa-vior. For he hath re-gard-ed the low-li-ness of his hand-maid-en. For be-hold, from hence-forth, all ge-ne-ra-tions shall call me bles-sed. For he that is migh-ty hath mag-ni-fi-ed me, and ho-ly is his Name. And his mer-cy is on them that fear him, through-out all ge-ne-ra-tions. He hath shew-ed strength with his arm: he hath scat-ter-ed the proud in the i-ma-gi-na-tion of their hearts. He hath put down the migh-ty from their seat, and hath ex-alt-ed the hum-ble and meek. He hath fill-ed the hun-gry with good things, and the

51 *marcato*
 rich he hath sent emp-ty a-way. He, re-mem-b'ring his mer - cy, hath

56 *più f*
 hol-pen his ser-vant Is - ra-el, as he pro-mis-ed to our fore - fa - thers,

62 *rit.* *a tempo* *f*
 A - bra - ham and his seed, for ev - er. Glo - ry be to the

68
 Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost: as it

74 *sempre f*
 was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out

79 *più f* *ff*
 end, world with-out end, A - - - men.



Prayers and intercessions

The Archdeacon leads our prayers:

God is ever creative. His love renews all things and is the source of our hope. Let us turn to him in confidence:

– *Lord, accept our thanks and our prayers.*

We give thanks for the order of created things:

you have blessed us with the resources of the earth and the gift of human life.

– *Lord, accept our thanks and our prayers.*

We give thanks for our share in your continuing work of creation:

we praise you for your gifts to us of inventive skill and creative vision.

– *Lord, accept our thanks and our prayers.*

We pray for all the nations of the world:

may those in authority work for peace and goodwill among all.

– *Lord, accept our thanks and our prayers.*

We pray for all who are homeless today:

we pray for families searching for a place to live, and for refugees driven from their homeland.

– *Lord, accept our thanks and our prayers.*

Life was your first gift to us:

may those who have died come to its fullness in you.

– *Lord, accept our thanks and our prayers.*

Our Father...

Almighty, ever-living God,

whose love surpasses all that we ask or deserve,

open up for us the treasures of your mercy.

Forgive us all that weighs on our conscience,

and grant us more even than we dare to ask.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LICENSING

The Presentation

The Priest is presented to the Bishop of Fulham:

I present to you Fr. Josiah Myles Abadoo to be licensed as Assistant Curate in this parish.

THE DECLARATION AND THE OATHS

The Bishop of Fulham says:

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, Josiah Myles Abadoo, 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 Priest then takes the oaths, holding the New Testament in the right hand.

The Priest faces the congregation for:

THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Josiah Myles Abadoo, swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, his heirs and successors, according to law.

The Priest faces the Bishop of Fulham for:

THE OATH OF CANONICAL OBEDIENCE

I, Josiah Myles Abadoo, swear that I will bear true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of London and the Suffragan Bishop of Fulham, and their successors, in all things lawful and honest.

THE LICENCES

The Bishop of Fulham reads the Licence as Assistant Curate.

The Bishop of Fulham blesses Fr. Josiah saying:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen

THE COMMISSIONING

Clergy of the Deanery & Supporters gather in the sanctuary around Fr. Josiah

The Area Dean addresses the congregation:

Almighty God, high king of the universe, the source of all knowledge and truth, give to all who minister to your people, wisdom, strength and compassion in all they undertake, and grant that all for who they guide and care that they may be open to your transforming power.

For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

The Bishop of Willesden addresses Fr. Josiah:

The risen Christ has entrusted his ministry to his Church, the whole people of God. The Holy Spirit equips us for work in his service, enabling us to discover and use our particular gifts through ministry within the Church and the parish.

Fr. Josiah, Will you undertake to work with the people of this parish and your fellow Christians, doing all to the glory of God - building up his Church and bringing new people to His love?

Fr. Josiah: With the help of God, I will.

The Area Dean addresses the Congregation:

Will you, the congregation and people of this parish, do all that you can to support and encourage Fr. Josiah in his pilgrimage of service and love in this place?

All: With the help of God, we will.

Fr. Josiah moves to stand in midst of his Deanery colleagues and Supporters.

Clergy of the Deanery & Supporters extend their hands towards Fr. Josiah and say:

Fr. Josiah, May God bless your ministry. May you serve him with joy, know his strength in times of difficulty and experience his forgiveness in times of failure.

The Bishop of Fulham addresses the Congregation:

Almighty God, by whose grace alone we are accepted and called to your service; strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Bishop of Fulham welcomes Fr. Josiah in suitable words.

Clergy of the Deanery & Supporters return to their seats.

Members of the community are invited to offer Fr. Josiah a welcome to the parish.

My Eyes for Beauty Pine - *Howells*.
Sung by Alexander Trowell.

Hymn

Glory to thee, my God, this night
for all the blessings of the light;
keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
beneath thine own almighty wings.

Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,
the ill that I this day have done,
that with the world, myself, and thee,
I ere I sleep at peace may be.

O may my soul on thee repose,
and may sweet sleep mine eyelids close,
sleep that may me more vigorous make
to serve my God when I awake.

When in the night I sleepless lie,
my soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
no powers of darkness me molest.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Tantum Ergo Sacramentum is now sung as the Sacrament is censed.

V/ Thou gavest them bread from heaven

R / *Containing in itself all sweetness.*

Let us pray:

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist
as the memorial of your suffering and death.

May our worship of this sacrament of your Body and Blood

help us to experience the salvation you won for us

and the peace of the kingdom

where you live with the Father

and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

A period of adoration is observed

BENEDICTION IS THEN GIVEN

The Divine Praises

(repeat each line after the Bishop)

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.

Blessed be her Holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her Glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints. Amen.



Blessed and praised be Jesus Christ in the most Holy Sacrament.

Hosanna hosanna hosanna in excelsis. (x3)

A bell is rung to signify the return of Our Lord to the Tabernacle.

SAVLE REGINA, HAIL HOLY QUEEN.

Sal - ve, Re - gí - na, ma - ter mi - se - ri - cór - di - ae:
Vi - ta, dul - cé - do et spes no - stra, sal - ve.
Ad te cla - má - mus, éx - su - les, fí - li - i He - vae.
Ad te sus - pi - rá - mus, ge - mén - tes et flen - tes
in hac la - cri - má - rum val - le. E - ia er - go, Ad - vo - cá - ta no - stra,
il - los tu - os mi - se - ri - cór - des ó - cu - los ad nos con - vér - te.
Et Je - sum, be - ne - dí - ctum fruc - tum ven - tris tu - i,
no - bis post hoc ex - sí - li - um os - tén - de.
O cle - mens, O pi - a,
O dul - cis Vir - go Ma - ri - a.

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on our website

www.stanselm.co.uk

Or by speaking to a member of the congregation who would be
happy to help you in any way we can.

Be assured of our prayers, be assured of Jesus love for YOU.

