



## **CHORAL EVENSONG**

# WITH INVESTITURE INTO THE ORDER OF ST RICHARD



FIRST EVENSONG OF ST MATTHEW SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025 3.00PM

## **WELCOME**

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## THE ORDER OF ST RICHARD

The Order of St Richard is an award for lay people which recognises and celebrates exceptional service to the parish, the local community and the Diocese. A number of people from each Archdeaconry are awarded the Order of St Richard every year.

At today's service the recipients of the award will receive a badge bearing the episcopal coat of arms of St Richard attached to a ribbon. The recipients will also receive a certificate signed by Bishop Martin.

Those who receive the award of The Order of St Richard today are people who, in the words of St Richard, know, love and follow Jesus, and as such they are an inspiration to all of us.

Order of St Richard Panel: Sara Stonor DL (Chair), Fiona Bell, Phoebe Cameron, Paul Legrave, Ewart Wooldridge

#### Please pray for those to be invested into The Order of St Richard:

#### ARCHDEACONRY OF BRIGHTON AND LEWES

ERIC DOHERTY Sutton-cum-Seaford

KATHY DUFOUR Hove St Andrew

SUE HAMMOND Lewes St Thomas a Becket

ROGER HOMAN Lewes St Michael

presented separately

JOHN LAWSON Saltdean St Nicholas

JULIE RICHARDSON Woodingdean

presented separately

JANICE STEVENS Brighton The Annunciation

collected by Wendy Tidman

PETER WOODHEAD Prestonville St Luke

DAVID YAIR Barcombe

#### ARCHDEACONRY OF CHICHESTER

BELINDA MILNER Chanctonbury

CLARE PURDOM Wick

MARGARET RUSSELL Lyminster

COLIN SPENCER Chichester Cathedral

Frances Spencer West Tarring

SANDY TOUT South Lancing and Sompting

#### ARCHDEACONRY OF HASTINGS

LESLIE ADAMS Christ Church Blacklands presented separately & St Andrew, Hastings

MARK AND SUE BLACKMAN

Battle

ALAN AND MARIGOLD CLARKE

Heathfield

JOHN AND TINA FRENCH

Ashburnham with Penhurst

Frances Hamson Crowhurst

EDWARD AND CAROLE HUMPHREYS Crowborough

presented separately

JENNIE MARTEN All Saints Danehill with Chelwood Gate

MARGARET MOSS Westfield

presented separately

SANDRA SHOOBRIDGE Catsfield

collected by The Revd Robert Beaken

JACQUELINE SPRIGGS Mountfield

#### ARCHDEACONRY OF HORSHAM

JENNY BILLAM Wivelsfield

presented separately

VAL BURGESS Horsham St Mary

Mary Fairweather Holbrook

MARTIN GOVAS Horsted Keynes

presented separately

ANNE GRANITE Crawley St John the Baptist

DEBORAH MATTHEWS East Grinstead St Swithun

SIMON MORRIS Forest Row

GEOFF PECKHAM Lower Beeding, Coolhurst and Cowfold

JENNY WALKER Scaynes Hill

collected by Lynne Watkins

KEITH WARD Lindfield

#### NON-PAROCHIAL

**MATT EASLEY** 

presented separately Pathfinders

MARIA GRECO Mothers' Union

BRIAN HANSON Steyning Grammar School and

Steyning Grammar School Foundation

KAREN HILL Mothers' Union

JUDY MOOREY Chichester Diocesan Association for

Family Support Work (FSW)

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## BEFORE THE SERVICE

At 2.55pm, the Canon Treasurer escorts to their seats:

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF WEST SUSSEX Dr Timothy Fooks

Immediately before the service, **please stand** as the Dean escorts to their seats:

HM LORD-LIEUTENANT OF EAST SUSSEX

Mr Andrew Blackman

Please then sit for the Welcome.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Please stand as the procession enters.

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN



Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers, Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

O higher than the Cherubim,
more glorious than the Seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
all Saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia, Alleluia!

To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

NEH 478 Athelstan Riley (1858-1945) Lasst uns erfreuen Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) using phrases from an Easter hymn in the Cologne Geistliche Kirchengesäng of 1623

Please sit.

#### INVESTITURE INTO THE ORDER OF ST RICHARD

The Bishop introduces the service and the purpose of The Order of St Richard.

The Archdeacons announce the name and parish of each recipient, who are invested into The Order of St Richard by the Bishop, assisted by members of the Panel of The Order of St Richard.

The recipients then stand before the Bishop and together we pray The Prayer of St Richard:

All Thanks be to thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which thou hast given us, for all the pains and insults which thou hast borne for us: O most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, may we know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly.

Amen.

The recipients face the congregation and are greeted with applause.

#### Please stand.

HYMN (during which the Procession moves to the Quire)



The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction, grace bestoweth: and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth! And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never; good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

NEH 457 H. W. Baker (1821-1877) based on Psalm 23 Dominus regit me J. B. Dykes (1823-1876)

Please remain standing. The cantor and choir sing

#### THE PRECES AND RESPONSES

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.

The Book of Common Prayer

Humphrey Clucas (b. 1941)

#### PSALM 34

- I will alway give thanks unto the Lord: his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
- O praise the Lord with me: and let us magnify his Name together.
- I sought the Lord, and he heard me: yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.
- They had an eye unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.
- Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him: yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.
- The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him: and delivereth them.
- O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
- O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints: for they that fear him lack nothing.
- The lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.
- Come, ye children, and hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
- What man is he that lusteth to live: and would fain see good days?

Keep thy tongue from evil: and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

Eschew evil, and do good: seek peace, and ensue it.

- The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous: and his ears are open unto their prayers.
- The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil: to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
- The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them: and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
- The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart: and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

Great are the troubles of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

He keepeth all his bones: so that not one of them is broken.

But misfortune shall slay the ungodly: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants: and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

Please stand as the choir sings the Gloria:

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.

Please sit.

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Read by Sara Stonor DL, Chair of the Panel of the Order of St Richard

Hear, you who are far away, what I have done; and you who are near, acknowledge my might. The sinners in Zion are afraid; trembling has seized the godless: 'Who among us can live with the devouring fire? Who among us can live with everlasting flames?' Those who walk righteously and speak uprightly, who despise the gain of oppression, who wave away a bribe instead of accepting it, who stop their ears from hearing of bloodshed and shut their eyes from looking on evil, they will live on the heights; their refuge will be the fortresses of rocks; their food will be supplied, their water assured. Your eyes will see the king in his beauty; they will behold a land that stretches far away.

#### Please stand. The choir sings the canticle

#### MAGNIFICAT

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. 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. 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.

Luke 1: 46-55

Herbert Brewer (1865-1928) in D

#### THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Jesus said to the crowd: '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 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.'

#### Please stand. The choir sings the canticle

#### 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.

Luke 2: 29-32

Herbert Brewer (1865-1928) in D

#### Remain standing to say together

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

Αll 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 cantor and choir sing

#### THE PRECES AND RESPONSES

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Please sit or kneel.

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

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.
Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us. And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save The King. 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.

#### THE COLLECTS

O almighty God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist: grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. Choir: Amen.

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. *Choir:* Amen.

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. *Choir*: Amen.

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Humphrey Clucas (b. 1941)

#### Please sit. The choir sings

#### THE ANTHEM

Pray that Jerusalem may have peace and felicity; let them that love thee and thy peace have still prosperity.

Therefore I wish that peace may still within thy walls remain, and ever may thy palaces prosperity retain.

Now for my friends' and brethren's sakes, Peace be with thee, I'll say; and for the house of God our Lord I'll seek thy good alway.

Scottish Psalter (165)

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

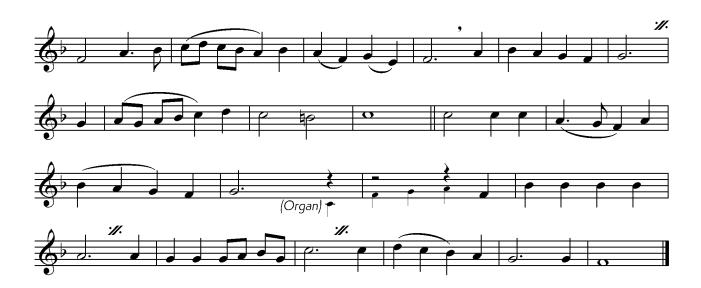
#### THE PRAYERS

Please sit or kneel. The Prayers conclude with the Grace:

All 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.

#### HYMN



NB - the second line of each verse is sung twice, and the last line three times.

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

Jesus – the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Saviour come; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim and spread through all the earth abroad the honours of thy name.

REH 531 Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Lyngham Thomas Jarman (1782-1862)

#### THE BLESSING

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

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CLOSING MUSIC

FANFARE

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Please remain standing as the procession departs and the Award recipients process to the Shrine of St Richard.

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