



**The Order of Service for
The Institution by The Rt Revd Philip North,
Bishop of Blackburn
and the Induction by The Ven David Picken,
Archdeacon of Lancaster
of The Revd Joshua Gaskell
To the Parish of
St Paul's North Shore in plurality with Greenlands St
Anne**

**On Wednesday 1st July 2026
At 7.30pm at Greenlands St Anne**



Welcome to an evening of joy! Today we celebrate a fresh start for the people of God in this place as a new priest begins their ministry and as we all rededicate ourselves to play our part in the worship and witness of the Church. But above all today we celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ in our midst and his call on our lives as we worship him in word and song. Our Diocesan Vision challenges us to be Healthy Churches Transforming Communities. May that prayer be richly fulfilled in this place as we commit ourselves anew to bearing witness to his saving love and power.

The Gathering

The Area Dean welcomes the congregation and announces the first hymn.

The service may commence with a procession as the opening hymn is sung.

The Choir

The Readers and Licensed Lay Workers

The Visiting Clergy, Ministers and Ecumenical Representatives

The Clergy and Readers of the Parish(es)

The Patron with the Incumbent designate

The Area Dean

The Archdeacon

The Churchwardens with staves of office

The Bishop

The Bishop's Chaplain

The Incumbent designate sits in the front pew

Hymn

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
- 2 Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love Thou art;
visit us with Thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.
- 3 Come, almighty, to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never,
never more thy temples leave.
- 4 Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
- 5 Finish then thy new creation;
pure and sinless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee.
- 6 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.

The Greeting

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

All **Amen.**

All Peace be with you
and also with you.

The Bishop offers a welcome and introduction the service.

Then all say together the Diocesan Centenary Prayer

**Heavenly Father,
in our Centenary year
we rededicate ourselves and our Diocese to you.
Send the Holy Spirit to give us
confidence in our witness,
generosity in our service,
and love for our neighbours,
that your Church may be renewed
and many come home to you,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Presentation

The Patron and the Incumbent designate stand before the bishop

Patron Bishop Philip , I present Joshua to be instituted to the parishes of St Paul's North Shore in plurality with Greenlands St Anne's

Bishop Brothers and sisters in Christ, I declare to you that I have appointed Joshua to Vicar of this benefice and that I intend to institute him.

The [Incumbent] designate turns to face the congregation

Bishop It is my pleasure to introduce Joshua to you who is to be your new Vicar.

People of these parishes and all who share in Christ's ministry here, will you support each other in that ministry and now welcome Joshua among you?

People **In Christ's name we will.**

Collect

Bishop Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose spirit the whole body of the Church is
governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer for all Your servants,
especially for Your Church in this place;
that each of us in our vocation and ministry
may serve You in holiness and truth,
to the glory of Your name and the good of Your Church
and give to Your servant Joshua, now to be Instituted, the
needful gifts of grace, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus
Christ.

All **Amen.**

The Incumbent designate returns to the front pew

Joshua 24: 14-17

“Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

Then the people answered, “Far be it from us to forsake the LORD to serve other gods! It was the LORD our God himself who brought us and our parents up out of Egypt, from that land of slavery, and performed those great signs before our eyes. He protected us on our entire journey and among all the nations through which we travelled.

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 28: 16-end

Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

- 1 Jesu, lover of my soul!
Let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high:
hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide;
O receive my soul at last.
- 2 Other refuge have I none,
hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, ah, leave me not alone,
still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenceless head
with the shadow of thy wing.
- 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want
more than all in thee I find;
raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
heal the sick and lead the blind.
just and holy is thy name,
I am all unrighteousness;
false and full of sin I am,
thou art full of truth and grace.
- 4 Plenteous grace with thee is found,
grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound;
make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart,
rise to all eternity

Sermon

The choir sing the Anthem 'Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem'

Declaration and Oaths

The Declaration of Assent

Bishop 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 born 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 Incumbent designate makes the following declaration:

I, Joshua Mark Gaskell 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, I will only use the forms of service which are authorised or allowed by Canon.

All stand

The Incumbent designate takes the Oaths, holding the Bible in his right hand and facing the congregation

The Oath of Allegiance

I, Joshua Mark Gaskell do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to his Majesty, King Charles the Third, his heirs and Successors, according to Law, so help me God.

The Oath of Canonical Obedience, facing the Bishop

I, Joshua Mark Gaskell do swear by almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Blackburn and his Successors in all things lawful and honest, so help me God.

The Bishop then replies

Thank you for this declaration of loyalty. On behalf of our diocese I, with all God's people here, undertake to support and uphold you in your new ministry.

The Promises of Priest and People

Bishop

Beloved in Christ, before we proceed to the institution, let priest and people be reminded of their duties within the Church of God and affirm their readiness to share in fulfilling our vision as healthy churches transforming communities.

The Incumbent designate stands, facing the bishop.

- Archdeacon* It is the duty of the parish priest to be,
like Christ the true High Priest,
a teacher, and a herald of God's kingdom,
administering the Sacraments,
leading their people in worship and prayer,
preaching and teaching,
encouraging those in their care to study the Bible,
and to help others come to faith in Christ.
- Bishop* Joshua, relying on the power of the Spirit,
will you act as a faithful steward of the mysteries of
God, lead your people in worship and prayer,
proclaim the truth of the Holy Scriptures,
ordering your life to reflect to others the Gospel of
Christ and give yourself gladly and willingly
to serving the spiritual and material needs of this
community, to baptise them in the faith and equip them
to be witnesses in the world?
- Priest* By God's grace, I will.
- Bishop* People of these parishes will you be faithful
in public worship and private prayer,
in Bible Study and discipleship,
and in working to transform this community
with the love of Christ, giving willingly of your time,
money and energy to make God's Kingdom visible in
this place?
- People* **By God's grace, we will.**

The Institution

The Incumbent designate kneeling before the Bishop who invites the people to pray in silence.

Bishop Joshua, do not forget the trust of those who have chosen you. In your work and ministry, and with your colleagues, care alike for young and old, strong and weak, rich and poor.
Give time for yourself, your family and friends.
By your words and in your life preach the gospel,. and show to people the saving power of Jesus.
Love and serve Christ's people.
Nourish them by word and sacrament and strengthen them to glorify God in this life and in the life to come.

The Bishop sits and reads the Deed of Institution and gives it to the priest with the words.

Joshua, receive your cure and mine;
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The bishop stands and taking his staff, prays for the priest and blesses him:

Joshua, the Lord give you courage, wisdom, strength and love to do his will:
and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

The Induction

The new incumbent stands

Bishop *Archdeacon*, I ask you now to induct Joshua, in the presence of the Churchwardens and this congregation, and to support him, so inducted.

Archdeacon I invite representatives of the Parochial Church Councils, the Churchwardens and the Area Dean to accompany me to the main door of the Church.

The Archdeacon and incumbent go to the main door of the church.

Archdeacon By authority of the Bishop, I induct you Joshua, into the real, actual and corporal possession of the churches of St Paul's North Shore in plurality with Greenlands St Anne's.

The Lord watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore. Amen

The Installation

The Archdeacon and incumbent go to the appointed seat of the incumbent of the parish.

Joshua, I place you in one of the accustomed seats of the priest of these parishes, and may God's blessing rest upon your ministry.

Priest Amen.

The Archdeacon introduces the new incumbent and welcomes them with a round of applause

The Prayers

All kneel or sit as the Incumbent leads the people in prayer using these or other words:

Priest Let us pray for the growth of God's Kingdom, saying,
Father, Your Kingdom come:

All **Your will be done.**

Priest In Jesus you came to bring good news to all people,
send us out to build Your Kingdom.
As living stones anoint us with Your Spirit,
and strengthen us to work in His name.
Father, Your Kingdom come:

All **Your will be done.**

Priest Send us to bring justice to the poor and freedom to the
oppressed. Help us to exercise our influence for good
in the world, our nation and our neighbourhood.
Father, Your Kingdom come:

All **Your will be done.**

Priest Send us to serve our local community,
bringing Your love and truth to young and old,
in our homes, schools and colleges,
and places of work and leisure, and sharing the gospel of
salvation of Your Son.
Father, Your Kingdom come:

All **Your will be done.**

Priest Send us to share with the world the good news
of Your healing love in all the brokenness of life,
and help us to be faithful witnesses to the risen glory of
Your Son.
Father, Your Kingdom come:

All **Your will be done.**

Priest Send us to the sick and those who mourn,
that we may bring comfort to all in sorrow,
and light to those who live in darkness.
Father, Your Kingdom come:

All **Your will be done.**

Priest Send us out in the power of Your Spirit
to live and work to Your praise and glory.
Father, Your Kingdom come:

All **Your will be done.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All **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 this who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Welcome

*The new incumbent may be welcomed by the Churchwardens and others
from the Parish and Community.*

The Incumbent then invites the people to join with him when he first preaches the Word of God and celebrates the Holy Communion in this and another church, gives any notices and he then announces the hymn, during which a collection is taken for the Parish.

Hymn

- 1 Fight the good fight with all thy might!
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right,
lay hold on life, and it shall be
thy joy and crown eternally.
- 2 Run the straight race through God's
good grace,
lift up thine eyes, and seek His face;
life with its way before us lies,
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
- 3 Cast care aside, upon thy Guide;
lean, and his mercy will provide;
lean, and the trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.
- 4 Faint not nor fear, his arms are near,
he changeth not, and thou art dear;
only believe, and thou shalt see
that Christ is all in all to thee.

The Blessing

The Bishop gives the blessing and dismisses the people:

<i>Bishop</i>	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
<i>All</i>	In the name of Christ, Amen.

All depart in this order

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