### The Parish of Cowbridge

# The First Sunday of Advent 29th November 2020

Holy Eucharist and Licensing of the Revd Jude Peters as Associate Priest in the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge The Rt Revd June Osborne, Bishop of Llandaff presiding

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

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## The Gathering

In the name of the Father, Yn enw'r Tad,

and of the Son, a'r Mab,

and of the Holy Spirit. a'r Ysbryd Glân.

Amen.

Grace and peace be with you Gras a thangnefedd a fo gyda chwi

and keep you in the love of Christ. a'th gadw di yng nghariad Crist

Lighting of the Advent wreath Jesus Christ is the light of the world: a light no darkness can overpower.

After the first candle is lit, we pray together

Hurry, Lord Jesus, and come to us quickly: fill our hearts with excitement at your coming into the world. May your ancient promises fulfil the hopes of everyone on earth. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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# **Prayers of Penitence**

When the Lord comes,
he will bring to light
the things now hidden in darkness,
and will disclose the purposes of the heart.
Therefore in the light of Christ
let us confess our sins. (cf 1 Corinthians 4.5)

#### Silence

Heavenly Father,
we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and have failed to do
what we ought to have done.
We are sorry and truly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and lead us in his way
to walk as children of light. Amen.

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy on you
and set you free from sin,
strengthen you in goodness
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Word

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#### The Sermon

# The Licensing of the Revd Jude Peters Introduction

Today marks the beginning of a new stage in the life of Cowbridge with the licensing of Jude as Associate Priest in the Rectorial Benefice.

We remember with thanksgiving the ministry of former priests and we recall that ministry belongs to all the baptised and that we all have the privilege and responsibility of sharing in Christ's work.

It is therefore an appropriate time for us all to dedicate ourselves anew, and ask for God's guidance and strength to accomplish his work in this community.

#### The Presentation

Stephen and Victoria say:

Bishop June, we ask you to license Jude, as Associate Priest in the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge.

Bishop: Jude, do you believe you are called by God to the pastoral and spiritual care of this benefice?
Jude: I do.

Bishop: Will you who witness this beginning support and uphold Jude, in this ministry?

We will, by the help of God.

The Licensing
THE DECLARATION OF ASSENT

The Bishop says:

The Church in Wales 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.

Jude 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 Associate Priest designate says:

I, JUDITH DIANE PETERS,

Clerk in Holy Orders,

being about to be licensed

as an Associate Priest

in the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge

in the Diocese of Llandaff

do make and subscribe

the following Declarations and Undertaking:

I, JUDITH DIANE PETERS, do solemnly 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, namely: the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer and the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons, as published in 1662, bear witness

and in public prayer and administration of the sacraments, I will use only the forms of service which are allowed by lawful authority and none other.

I, JUDITH DIANE PETERS,
hereby undertake
to be bound
by the Constitution of the Church in Wales,
and to accept, submit to,
and carry out any sentence or judgment
which may at any time be passed upon me
by the Archbishop,
a Diocesan Bishop,
or any Court
or the Tribunal of the Church in Wales.

# The Licensing THE DECLARATION OF CANONICAL OBEDIENCE

The Associate Priest designate says:

I, JUDITH DIANE PETERS, do declare that I will pay true and Canonical Obedience to the Bishop of Llandaff and her successors in all things lawful and honest.

WITNESS my hand this twenty ninth day of November in the year of Our Lord Two thousand and twenty.

The new Associate Priest signs the declaration

The Bishop licenses Jude

JUNE by Divine Providence BISHOP OF LLANDAFF

JUDITH DIANE PETERS,
Clerk in Holy Orders,
you have been called
to work together with US as your Bishop
as a pastor, priest and teacher
and to take your share
in the Councils of the Church.

Now, in accordance with the Constitution of the Church in Wales, you have been appointed to serve God as an Assistant Curate with the title of "Associate Priest" in the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge.

This document recognises that, having made the declarations required in the Constitution,
WE have licensed you as an Associate Priest in the Rectorial Benefice and that, under the direction of the Rector of the Rectorial Benefice,
WE have committed to you the sharing of the care of the parishioners of the Rectorial Benefice and to carry out all the work of a Priest in the Rectorial Benefice including the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

You are fully empowered to exercise this ministry, accepting its privileges and the responsibilities of a Priest of this Diocese.

Having committed yourself to this work, do not forget the trust of those who have chosen you. Care alike for young and old, strong and weak, rich and poor.
By your words, and in your life, proclaim the Gospel.
Love and Serve Christ's people.
Nourish them and strengthen them to glorify God in this life and in the life to come.

Keep before you as the pattern of your calling, Jesus Christ, who came not to be served but to serve. Study his teaching and meditate upon it, that you may encourage his people in the way of holiness. Guided by the Holy Spirit, pray constantly that your life may be a pattern of obedience and holiness and so reveal the power of the Kingdom.

May the Lord, who has given you the will to do this work, give you the grace and power to perform it.

Given under Our hand and Episcopal seal this twenty ninth day of November in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty in the fourth year of Our Consecration as Bishop.

Jude, receive the pastoral oversight of this Benefice, which is both yours and mine: in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

The Bishop prays for the new Associate Priest:

Almighty God
give to your servant Jude
grace to fulfil her ministry here.
Give her reverence
in celebrating the sacraments,
faithfulness in proclaiming your word,
diligence in pastoral care,
tenderness in comforting,
power in healing the wounds
of God's people and humility,
self-sacrifice and courage in all things.

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

The Bishop says:
My brothers and sisters,
we joyfully celebrate
the arrival of a new priest among us.
We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

Stephen and Victoria say:
Jude, we welcome you
to the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge.
We look forward to working with you
and sharing in the pastoral
and spiritual care of this benefice.

# **Notices**

Notices for this Week

The Prayers of Intercession
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Lord, in your mercy; **Hear our prayer.** 

the following may be said to conclude the prayers

Merciful Father, accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### The Peace

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death: and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

From heaven you came Helpless babe Entered our world Your glory veiled Not to be served But to serve And give Your life That we might live

This is our God
The Servant King
He calls us now
To follow Him
To bring our lives
As a daily offering
Of worship to
The Servant King

There in the garden Of tears
My heavy load He chose to bear
His heart with sorrow Was torn
'Yet not My will But Yours,' He said

This is our God ...

Come see His hands And His feet The scars that speak Of sacrifice Hands that flung stars Into space To cruel nails Surrendered

This is our God...

So let us learn How to serve And in our lives Enthrone Him Each other's needs To prefer For it is Christ We're serving

This is our God...

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The Thanksgiving
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy at all times and in all places to give you thanks, holy Father, all-powerful and everliving God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who in the fullness of time came among us opening to us the way of salvation.

Now we watch for the day when he comes again to judge the world, revealing the light of his presence that we may behold his power and glory.

And so with the hosts of angels and all the company of heaven we proclaim the glory of your name and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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All praise and thanks to you, true and living God, Creator of all things, Giver of life. You formed us in your own image; but we have marred that image and fall short of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give you thanks
that you sent your Son
to share our life;
you gave him up to death
that the world might be saved,
and you raised him from the dead
that we might live in him and he in us.

Sanctify with your Spirit this bread and wine, your gifts to us, that they may be for us the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper he took the cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, Drink from this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins: do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

As he has commanded us, Father, we remember Jesus Christ, your Son. Proclaiming his victorious death, rejoicing in his resurrection and waiting for him to come in glory we bring to you this bread, this cup.

Accept our sacrifice of thanks and praise.
Restore and revive your people, renew us and all for whom we pray with your grace and heavenly blessing, and at the last receive us with all your saints into that unending joy promised by your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

As our Saviour taught us, we boldly pray:

Our Father Ein Tad,

who art in heaven, yr hwn wyt yn y nefoedd,

hallowed be thy name, sancteiddier dy enw,

thy kingdom come, deled dy deyrnas,

thy will be done, gwneler dy ewyllys;

on earth as it is in heaven. megis yn y nef, felly ar y ddaear hefyd.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Dyro i ni heddiw ein bara beunyddiol

And forgive us our trespasses a maddau i ni ein dyledion,

as we forgive those fel y maddeuwn ninnau

who trespass against us. i'n dyledwyr.

And lead us not into temptation, Ac nac arwain ni i brofedigaeth;

but deliver us from evil. eithr gwared ni rhag drwg.

For thine is the kingdom, Canys eiddot ti yw'r deyrnas,

the power and the glory, a'r gallu, a'r gogoniant,

for ever and ever. yn oes oesoedd. Amen.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

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Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Post Communion Prayers
Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:
his love is everlasting.

God our deliverer, awaken our hearts to prepare the way for the advent of your Son; that, with minds purified by the grace of his coming, we may serve you faithfully all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Generous God, you have fed us at your heavenly table. Kindle us with the fire of your Spirit that when the Lord comes again we may shine as lights before him, who is alive and reigns in glory for ever. Amen.

We have a gospel to proclaim Good news for all throughout the earth; The gospel of a Saviour's name: We sing His glory, tell His worth.

Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,
Not in a royal house or hall
But in a stable dark and dim:
The Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of His death at Calvary, Hated by those He came to save; In lonely suffering on the cross For all He loved, His life He gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn: Empty the tomb, for He was free. He broke the power of death and hell That we might share His victory. Tell of His reign at God's right hand, By all creation glorified; He sends His Spirit on His Church To live for Him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name Him King: Jesus is Lord of all the earth. This gospel message we proclaim: We sing His glory, tell His worth.

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# The Blessing and Sending Out

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;

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

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord; In the name of Christ. Amen.

Thank you for joining us today