

**The Institution & Induction
of the *Revd Canon Paula York* as Vicar
of Wellingborough All Hallows and Wellingborough All Saints
and
The Licensing of *Helen Jennings* as Lay Minister**

Wednesday 19 April 7.30pm
All Saints' Church, Wellingborough and All Hallows Church, Wellingborough

The Rural Dean of Revd Eddie Smith welcomes the people and gives out any notices.

GREETING

All stand and face the main door of the Church. Standing at the door, the Bishop says

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All **Amen.**

Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Who is worthy to serve the Lord or to enter his house?
All **Those who have clean hands and a pure heart.**

The Bishop and new priest move to the font, to remind us of the new beginning of baptism.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The Bishop says

Jesus says: Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.

A younger member of the congregation says

Lord Jesus, you said to your disciples:
'You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you.'
Lord, have mercy.
All **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, we know that the harvest is plentiful but the labourers are few.
Christ, have mercy.
All **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you appointed us to go and bear fruit that will last.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

An ecumenical colleague, Mrs Valerie Anslow from the Methodist Church, pours water into the font and says

Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,
in order to make her holy by cleansing her
with the washing of water by the word,
so as to present the church to himself in splendour,
without a spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind.

Ephesians 5:25-27

The Bishop sprinkles water on the people and says

God, who saves us
through the washing of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit:
forgive you your sins,
cleanse you from evil,
and equip you for service,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

HYMN

The final line of each verse is repeated.

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| 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. | 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. |
| 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. | 5 Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake,
wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm. |
| 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! | |

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

All sit.

The Bishop introduces the service informally, and then says

God calls his people to follow Christ, and forms us into a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to declare the wonderful deeds of him who has called us out of darkness into his marvellous light. The Church is the Body of Christ, the people of God and the dwelling-place of the Holy Spirit. The whole Church is summoned to witness to God's love and to work for the coming of his kingdom. To serve this royal priesthood, God has given a variety of ministries.

Our Lord Jesus Christ calls some of our brothers and sisters into the Ordained Ministry so that the whole people of God may be better equipped to make Christ known. Theirs is a life of visible self-giving. Christ is the pattern of their calling and commission; as he washed the feet of his disciples, so they must wash the feet of others.

They are to lead God's people in the offering of praise and the proclamation of the gospel. They share with the Bishop in the oversight of the Church, delighting in its beauty and rejoicing in its well-being.

They are to set the example of the Good Shepherd always before them as the pattern of their calling.

With the Bishop and their fellow lay and ordained colleagues, they are to sustain the community of the faithful by the ministry of word and sacrament, that we may all grow into the fullness of Christ and be a living sacrifice acceptable to God.

Today we celebrate a new chapter of this ministry in the life of the People of God called to serve Christ in these parishes. We give thanks for those who have been called to minister here, asking for God's blessing and guidance for us all to share in the building up of the kingdom.

PRESENTATION

The Lay Chair stands before the Bishop with the new Vicar designate, the Churchwardens flanking them, and says:

Bishop John, we present Revd Canon Paula York, to serve as Vicar of Wellingborough All Hallows and Wellingborough All Saints.

Bishop I thank you for your presentation.
Churchwardens and people of these parishes:
Do you welcome Paula to serve here?

All We do.

Bishop Will you support and uphold Paula in her ministry?

All With the help of God, we will.

Bishop Will you share with her in worship and witness, mission and pastoral care?

All With the help of God, we will.

Bishop Paula, I ask you in the presence of this congregation:
Do you believe that God has called you to these parishes?

Priest I do.

Bishop Are you willing to undertake this ministry?

Priest I am.

COLLECT

The Bishop introduces a period of silent prayer, then prays the Collect.

God our Father, Lord of all the world,
through your Son you have called us
into the fellowship of your universal Church:
hear our prayer for your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
each may be an instrument of your love,
and give to your servant Paula
the needful gifts of grace;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All Amen.

READING Acts 5:17-26 *read by Kirotdang Goteng*

Then the high priest took action; he and all who were with him (that is, the sect of the Sadducees), being filled with jealousy, arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors, brought them out, and said, 'Go, stand in the temple and tell the people the whole message about this life.' When they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and went on with their teaching.

When the high priest and those with him arrived, they called together the council and the whole body of the elders of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. But when the temple police went there, they did not find them in the prison; so they returned and reported, 'We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them, we found no one inside.' Now when

the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were perplexed about them, wondering what might be going on. Then someone arrived and announced, 'Look, the men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people!' Then the captain went with the temple police and brought them, but without violence, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

HYMN

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

3 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine;
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

2 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure;
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.

4 Breathe on me, Breath of God:
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

Edwin Hatch (1835-1889)

GOSPEL John 3:16-21 *read by Chris Butts, Lay Reader of the Benefice*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned, but those who do not believe are condemned already because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

All sit for the sermon.

A time of silence is kept after the sermon.

DECLARATION AND OATHS

The congregation remain seated.

The Archdeacon 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 in making him known to those in your care?

Priest & Lay Minister say

I, *Name*, 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 use only the forms of service which are authorised or allowed by Canon.

The Priest & Lay Minister take the Bible in the right hand and face the people and say

I, *Name*, do swear by almighty God that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, his heirs and successors, according to law: so help me God.

Still holding the Bible the Priest & Lay Minister face the Bishop and say

I, *Name*, do swear by almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Peterborough and his successors in all things lawful and honest: so help me God.

The Priest & Lay Minister sign the Declaration and Oaths.

THE RENEWAL OF LICENCE FOR LAY MINISTRY

The Bishop says:

Helen,
Jesus Christ through his ministry of word and deed
and through his dying and rising fulfilled his service to the Father.

Will you always hold before you the pattern of his ministry as your
inspiration?

By the help of God, I will.

In your ministry will you always remember that you serve God's own people
and that you are called to build them up in faith, hope and love?

By the help of God, I will.

Will you seek by word and deed, at all times and in all places, to show forth
the Gospel to all people?

By the help of God, I will.

Will you always remember that in your own strength you can do nothing, and
that you must always call upon God to stir up the gifts he has given you?

By the help of God, I will.

Almighty God, give you grace to fulfil what you have promised, that your
ministry may build up his Church and advance his Kingdom, through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Helen, I re-license you for a further three years.
The almighty and merciful Lord,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
bless you and all whom you serve in his name.

All Amen.

INSTITUTION

Bishop I ask you now to join me in prayer for Paula, that God may bless her in her
ministry, so that Christ may be shown forth in your witness together in this
place.

A period of silent prayer.

Bishop Almighty God, who on the Day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to proclaim your gospel, hear our prayer for Paula and for all your faithful people, that in the power of the same Spirit, we may witness to your truth, and draw all to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Bishop reads the Deed of Institution, then hands it to the new Vicar, saying

Paula, receive the Cure of Souls which is both yours and mine, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Bishop blesses the Priest, saying

God give you grace to fulfil your ministry,
reverence in the celebration of the sacraments,
faithfulness in proclaiming the word,
zeal in mission,
diligence in pastoral care,
tenderness in comforting,
power in healing the wounds of his people,
and humility, self-sacrifice and courage in all things.
May you follow the steps of our Lord
and lead others in the way of eternal joy.

All Amen.

INDUCTION

The Vicar stands, and the Bishop addresses the Archdeacon:

Archdeacon Richard, I have instituted Paula as Vicar of these parishes. By this Mandate, I now charge you to induct her and to support and defend her in her ministry.

The Archdeacon leads the Priest to her stall, where she sits. The Archdeacon says

By virtue of this mandate, I, Richard Jeremy Ormston, Archdeacon of Northampton, induct you Paula York into the real, actual and corporeal possession of the parishes of All Saints and All Hallows Wellingborough with all the rights, members and appurtenances thereunto belonging and I install you in the seat of the Vicar of these parishes.

The Priest kneels, and the Archdeacon blesses her with these words:

The Lord himself is your keeper;
the Lord is your defence upon your right hand.
The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;
it is even he that shall keep your soul.
The Lord preserve your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth for evermore.

All Amen.

WELCOME

The Parish Priest stands beside the Bishop.

Bishop Here is your new Vicar, greet her warmly!

The Rural Dean introduces those who will give brief welcomes on behalf of the parish, the deanery, other churches and the local community.

NOTICES

The new Vicar responds briefly, gives out any necessary notices.

INTERCESSIONS

The new Vicar leads the people in prayer.

PEACE

All stand.

Bishop God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us,
and as a pledge of what is to come
has given us the Spirit to dwell in our hearts

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

Vicar Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

All may share a handshake or other greeting.

HYMN

- 1 In Christ alone my hope is found,
he is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.
- 2 In Christ alone! — who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones he came to save:
till on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied —
for every sin on him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.
- 3 There in the ground his body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am his and he is mine —
bought with the precious blood of Christ.
- 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from his hand;
till he returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Stuart Townend (b. 1963) and Keith Getty (b. 1974)

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A hymn is sung, during which an offering is taken for the work of recruiting and training new clergy, and the Holy Table is prepared for the Communion.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

All remain standing.

The Bishop presides at the Holy Communion, assisted by the Parish Priest.

Bishop The Lord is here.
All **His Spirit is with us.**

Bishop Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

Bishop Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness
to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us upon the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks
because within the royal priesthood of your Church
you ordain ministers to proclaim the word of God,
to care for your people and
to celebrate the sacraments of the new covenant.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**All/Choir 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.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Bishop Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us
the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you 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 gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
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.

Vicar Great is the mystery of faith:

All/Choir Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Bishop And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once
for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection
and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bishop As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

**All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Bishop breaks the consecrated bread, saying

All We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

All/Choir **Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Bishop God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

All sit or kneel until directed to receive communion.

The clergy and people receive communion. Communicant members of all Christian Churches are welcome to receive. If you would rather not receive you are invited to come forward with this booklet in your hands for a prayer of blessing.

ANTHEM *The Lord bless you and keep you by John Rutter*

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
To shine upon you and be gracious,
And be gracious unto you.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you.
The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you.
And give you peace, and give you peace.
And give you peace, and give you peace.

HYMNS

1 All heaven declares the glory of the risen Lord.
Who can compare with the beauty of the Lord?
Forever he will be the Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee and worship him alone.

2 I will proclaim the glory of the risen Lord,
who once was slain to reconcile the world to God.
Forever you will be the Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee and worship you alone.

Noël Richards (b. 1955) and Tricia Richards (b. 1960)
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1 Just as I am, without one plea
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

2 Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.

3 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

4 Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

5 Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

6 Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand.

The Vicar leads the people in this prayer.

**All Strengthen for service, Lord,
 the hands that have taken holy things;**

**may the ears which have heard your word
 be deaf to clamour and dispute;
 may the tongues which have sung your praise
 be free from deceit;
 may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love
 shine with the light of hope;
 and may the bodies which have been fed with your body
 be refreshed with the fullness of your life;
 glory to you for ever. Amen.**

HYMN

The last two lines of each verse are repeated.

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| <p>1 And can it be that I should gain
 an interest in the Saviour's blood?
 Died he for me, who caused his pain?
 For me, who him to death pursued?
 Amazing love! How can it be
 that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?</p> | <p>4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
 fast bound in sin and nature's night;
 thine eye diffused a quickening ray;
 I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
 my chains fell off, my heart was free,
 I rose, went forth, and followed thee.</p> |
| <p>2 'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies!
 Who can explore his strange design?
 In vain the first-born seraph tries
 to sound the depths of love divine.
 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
 let angel minds enquire no more.</p> | <p>5 No condemnation now I dread;
 Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
 Alive in him, my living Head,
 and clothed in righteousness divine,
 bold I approach the eternal throne,
 and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.</p> |
| <p>3 He left his Father's throne above —
 so free, so infinite his grace —
 emptied himself of all but love,
 and bled for Adam's helpless race.
 'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
 for, O my God, it found out me!</p> | |

Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

BLESSING

Bishop God who has called you is faithful.
 May the Father, whose glory fills the heavens,
 cleanse you by his holiness and send you to proclaim his word.

All Amen.

May Christ, who has ascended to the heights,
 pour upon you the riches of his grace.

All Amen.

May the Holy Spirit, the comforter,
equip you and strengthen you in your ministry.

All **Amen.**

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

All **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

INTO THE WORLD

The Bishop, the Archdeacon and the new Vicar are led by the Churchwardens to the bell and the new Priest tolls the bell.

They then move to the main door of the church where a churchwarden gives the Vicar the church keys and says:

Receive these keys and let the doors of our churches be open to all.

Looking out of the church door the Bishop says

May God's blessing be on your ministry
In these parishes and beyond,
through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The choir and other ministers process out of the church.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY *Gerald Bush: Toccata in B flat*

*All are welcome to stay and enjoy refreshments
served in church after this service.*

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