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# **Funeral Eucharist**

in celebration of the life of



# The Right Reverend Dr John Waine KCVO GCStJ

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# Welcome to St Edmundsbury Cathedral

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we extend a warm welcome to this Cathedral Church and ask God's blessing on you.

In this Epiphany season of thanksgiving for gifts of revelation, light and glory, we come together to give thanks for the glory of life and of eternal life in Jesus Christ. We rejoice that eternal life is now, in the present, and continues beyond death, and will lead to extraordinary Resurrection Life – love beyond our imagining. And we come together to rejoice and give thanks for the gift given to us in the life of Bishop John Waine, who is embraced now in that light and glory of life beyond life.

As we console one another in our loss, we give thanks for Bishop John's passion for life, his love for his family, his prayerful devotion and strong faith, his deep humanity, and his tangible love for those around him as colleagues and friends. Bishop John had an extraordinary breadth of vision for the whole of society and the way in which the whole church – not just the Church of England – is called to serve the communities in which it is set. More than half of Bishop John's life was in episcopal orders, and he was hugely loved by clergy and laity alike as he sought to help them understand vocation, a sense of belonging, and how we relate to each other, to the world and its peoples, and to God. He had a profound influence on so many people, and we rejoice with grateful hearts for his life, his graciousness, his wise ministry and his love.

In this Funeral Eucharist, when we take bread and wine, we know that Christ makes himself known to us in its sharing. The veil between heaven and earth becomes thin, and we rest assured that those who have gone before us now rejoice in God's light and glory beyond the veil. John's faith was centred around receiving the sacrament of bread and wine: as we receive the sacrament – whether in person or, because of the pandemic, spiritually – we rejoice with John and the whole company of heaven that Jesus is the bread of life, and whoever eats of that bread will never go hungry and will inherit eternal life.

The celebrant at today's service is the Dean of St Edmundsbury, the Very Reverend Joe Hawes; the Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, the Right Reverend Martin Seeley, presides.

The preacher is the Right Reverend Tim Stevens, Hon Assistant Bishop in the diocese, and former Suffragan Bishop of Dunwich.

The organist today is William Saunders and the soloist is Naomi Sturges.

# ¶ The Order of Service

Everyone remains seated for

#### The Introit

Beati quorum via integra est, qui ambulant in lege Domini.

Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Beati quorum via from Three Motets, Op. 38 Charles Villiers Stanford. 1852-1924

## The Welcome and Gathering

Everyone remains seated as the Dean welcomes everyone.

Everyone stands, and the Dean says

We meet in the name of Jesus Christ,

who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father.

Grace and mercy be with you

All and also with you.

Celebrant We have come here today

to remember before God our brother, John;

to give thanks for his life;

to commend him to God our merciful redeemer,

and to comfort one another in our grief.

Let us pray.

Celebrant God of all consolation,

your Son Jesus Christ was moved to tears

at the grave of Lazarus his friend.

Look with compassion on your children in their loss;

give to troubled hearts the light of hope, and strengthen in us the gift of faith,

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Prayers of Penitence

The Reverend Canon Philip Banks, one of Bishop John's many ordinands, says

Deacon Christ calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love

with all the saints in earth and heaven.

Knowing our unworthiness,

let us ask from him peace and forgiveness.

Everyone kneels or sits.

Deacon We have too often lived by our own strength,

and not in the power of your resurrection.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Deacon We have at times lived by the light of our own eyes,

faithless and not believing. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Deacon We have sometimes lived for this world alone,

and doubted our home in heaven.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

Bishop The God of love

bring you back to himself, forgive 

you your sins,

and assure you of his eternal life and love,

in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect

Celebrant God of love,

passionate and strong, tender and caring,

watch over us and hold us all our days in this life,

and bring us at the last to see you face to face;

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

# ¶ The Liturgy of the Word

Everyone sits.
The Reverend Mark Cresswell, the Priest in Grundisburgh, reads

#### The Reading

A reading from the book Wisdom.

O God of my ancestors and Lord of mercy, who have made all things by your word, and by your wisdom have formed humankind to have dominion over the creatures you have made, and rule the world in holiness and righteousness, and pronounce judgement in uprightness of soul, give me the wisdom that sits by your throne, and do not reject me from among your servants. for even one who is perfect among human beings will be regarded as nothing without the wisdom that comes from you.

With you is wisdom, she who knows your works and was present when you made the world; she understands what is pleasing in your sight and what is right according to your commandments.

Send her forth from the holy heavens, and from the throne of your glory send her, that she may labour at my side, and that I may learn what is pleasing to you.

For she knows and understands all things, and she will guide me wisely in my actions and guard me with her glory.

Wisdom 9.1-4, 6, 9-11, NRSV

This is the Word of the Lord.

#### All Thanks be to God.

## The Gospel Reading

Deacon The Lord be with you and also with you.

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

John 1.1-14, NRSV

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord **All Praise to you, O Christ.** 

#### The Address

# given by the Right Reverend Tim Stevens

Everyone remains seated.

The address is followed by a short time of quiet for reflection.

The Reverend Canon Philip Need, formerly Chaplain to Bishop John, leads

The Prayers

The following response is used.

Lord, hear us,

All Lord, graciously hear us.

# ¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Everyone stands for

The Peace

Celebrant Christ is our peace. He says:

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives do I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled,

Neither let them be afraid.'

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

If you have other members of your household with you, you may wish to share the peace with them now. If are alone, know Christ's Peace to be with you now.

Everyone sits or kneels as the altar is prepared, bread and wine are offered, and the organist plays the Bach organ chorale Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier.

#### The Taking of the Bread and Wine

Celebrant May all who are called to a place at your table

follow in the way that leads to the unending feast of life.

All Amen.

Everyone stands for

## The Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you and also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

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 on 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, in the wonder of the incarnation, your eternal Word has brought to the eyes of faith a new and radiant vision of your glory. In him we see our God made visible and so are caught up in love of the God we cannot see.

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
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.

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.

Deacon Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

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 our blessed Lady St Mary, James the Apostle, Edmund the Martyr and 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.

Everyone is invited to kneel or sit for

#### The Lord's Prayer

Deacon

In the power of the Spirit and in the company of John and all the saints, we pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

ΑII

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.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

Jesus said, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, And whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

## **Spiritual Communion**

'Spiritual Communion' is a historic practice in the church for anyone who cannot receive the bread and wine physically. It is possible because Communion is always a spiritual practice and not simply physical. Through God's grace, whilst we cannot receive the bread and wine, we can still receive the sacrament in our hearts, and share in communion with Jesus. In making our communion spiritually, we are joining with Christians everywhere who cannot receive the bread and wine at this time. The following prayer is one form of words to use for Spiritual Communion.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

after the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

## **Giving of Communion**

#### During communion the soloist sings

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast, body of Christ, be thou my saving guest, blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide, wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be, O blessèd Jesu, hear and answer me; deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me, so shall I never, never part from thee. Guard and defend me from the foe malign, in death's dread moments make me only thine; call me and bid me come to thee on high where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

Words: Pope John XXII, 1249-1334 Music: Anima Christi, William Maher, 1823-1877)

## **Prayer after Communion**

Heavenly Father,
in your Son Jesus Christ
you have given us a true and a sure hope.
Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days,
that we may live as those who believe in
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
and the resurrection to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Everyone stands for

AII

#### The Commendation and Farewell

The Bishop moves to the coffin and lays his hands upon it, praying:

Bishop God our creator and redeemer,

by your power Christ conquered death

and entered into glory.
Confident of his victory
and claiming his promises,
we entrust John to your mercy
in the name of Jesus our Lord,

who died and is alive and reigns with you, now and for ever.

Incense and Holy Water are used to cense and bless the coffin. Incense is a symbol of our closeness with God and of the prayers of all his saints. Holy Water is a reminder of the baptism which John shared with us.

During this time the soloist will sing

Pie Jesu

Pie Jesu, Domine, Holy Lord Jesus, dona eis requiem, grant them rest,

sempiternam requiem. grant them eternal rest.

Music: Requiem, Op. 48, Gabriel Fauré, 1845–1924

Bishop John, go forth upon your journey from this world

in the name of God the Father who made you, in the name of Jesus Christ who died for you, in the name of the Spirit who strengthens you;

in communion with all the saints, and aided by angels and archangels,

may your portion this day be in peace;

may heaven be your home and your endless dwelling place,

for ever and ever.

#### Everyone remains standing for

#### The Blessing

Bishop The Lord be with you and also with you.

Bishop May the love of God give you peace,

may the love of friends give you comfort, may the love of John remain in your hearts and give you strength in the days ahead. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father,  $\maltese$  the Son and the Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Dean Neither life nor death can separate us

from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Everyone remains standing as the coffin is carried outside and followed by family and friends.

During this time the organist plays

The Voluntary

Fugue from in E-flat major 'St Anne', BWV 552 J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

There will be a retiring collection in aid of 'The Treehouse', East Anglia Children's Hospice.