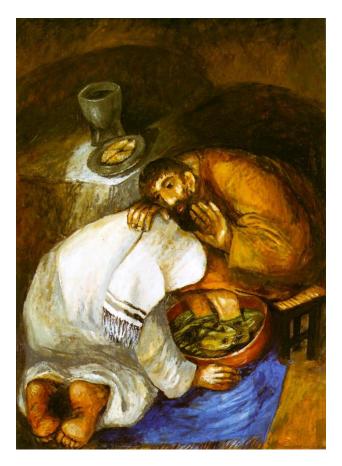
Ordination to the Priesthood

of

Rev Jithin Anto

for the Catholic Diocese of Sale



My Soul Rejoices in my God (Lk 1:47)

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

12th December 2020 St Mary's Cathedral, Sale

Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev Jithin Anto

5.30 pm 12th December 2020 St Mary's Cathedral Sale

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Most Reverend Gregory Bennet DD, Bishop of Sale

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Director of Music: Mrs Sophy Morley Organist: Mrs Julie Peavey

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St Mary's Cathedral Parish

Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev Jithin Anto The Introductory Rites

please stand

Processional Hymn		In Faith and Hope and Love
Refrain		nd hope and love Il trust we move

towards our Father's home above.

- 1. Christ, our star, our map, our road
To the Father's high abode.*Ref.*
- 2. Christ, our bread along the way; Christ, our rescue when we stray. *Ref.*
- 3. Christ, our shelter, Christ our friend, Our beginning and our end. *Ref.*
- 4. Christ, our hope and our reward; Our redeemer and our Lord. *Ref.*

Greeting and Introduction

Bishop	In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All	Amen.
Bishop	Peace be with you.
All	And with your spirit.

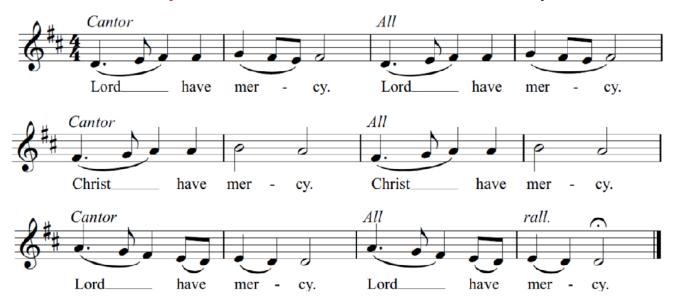
Penitential Act

Bishop:	Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
All	Have mercy on us, O Lord. For we have sinned against you.
All	Show us, O Lord, your mercy. And grant us your salvation.
	May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.
All	Amen.



Lord Have Mercy

Mass of St Francis



Collect

Bishop: Let us pray.
O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading (Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11)

please sit

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I exult for joy in the Lord.

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for the Lord has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up hearts that are broken; to proclaim liberty to captives, freedom to those in prison;

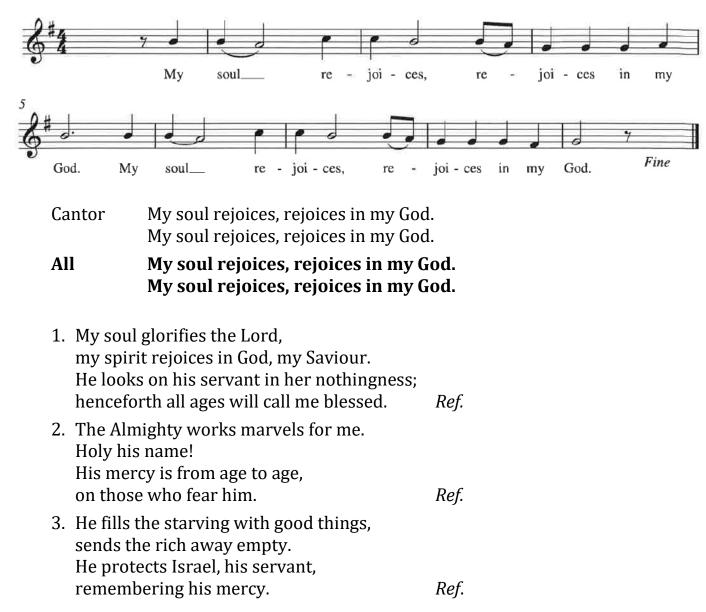
to proclaim a year of favour from the Lord.

'I exult for joy in the Lord, my soul rejoices in my God, for he has clothed me in the garments of salvation, he has wrapped me in the cloak of integrity, like a bridegroom wearing his wreath, like a bride adorned in her jewels.

'For as the earth makes fresh things grow, as a garden makes seeds spring up, so will the Lord make both integrity and praise spring up in the sight of the nations.'

The Word of the Lord. **All Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm (Lk 1:46-50. 53-54. R. Is 61:10)



Second Reading (1 Thess 5:16-24)

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

May you all be kept safe, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Be happy at all times; pray constantly; and for all things give thanks to God, because this is what God expects you to do in Christ Jesus.

Never try to suppress the Spirit or treat the gift of prophecy with contempt; think before you do anything – hold on to what is good and avoid every form of evil.

May the God of peace make you perfect and holy; and may you all be kept safe and blameless, spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. God has called you and he will not fail you.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

please stand



Verse (Is 61:1/Lk 4:18)

ChoirThe Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
He sent me to bring good news to the poor.Ref.

Gospel (Jn 1:6-8, 19-28)

Deacon:	The Lord be with you.
All:	And with your Spirit.
Deacon:	A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.
All:	Glory to you, O, Lord

There stands among you, unknown to you, the one who is coming after me.

A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light. This is how John appeared as a witness. When the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' he not only declared, but he declared quite openly, 'I am not the Christ.' 'Well then,' they asked, 'are you Elijah?' 'I am not,' he said. 'Are you the Prophet?' He answered, 'No.' So they said to him, 'Who are you? We must take back an answer to those who sent us. What have you to say about yourself?' So John said, 'I am, as Isaiah prophesied:

a voice that cries in the wilderness: Make a straight way for the Lord.'

Now these men had been sent by the Pharisees, and they put this further question to him, 'Why are you baptising if you are not the Christ, and not Elijah, and not the prophet?' John replied, 'I baptise with water; but there stands among you – unknown to you – the one who is coming after me; and I am not fit to undo his sandal-strap.' This happened at Bethany, on the far side of the Jordan, where John was baptising.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All remain standing for the blessing of the Gospel.

Liturgy of Ordination

ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATE

please sit

Deacon Let Jithin Anto, who is to be ordained a Priest, come forward.

Candidate Present.

The candidate goes to the Bishop, to whom he makes a sign of reverence.

- Rector Most Reverend Father, holy Mother Church asks you to ordain Jithin Anto, our brother, to the responsibility of the Priesthood.
- Bishop Do you know him to be worthy?
- Rector After inquiry among the Christian people and upon the recommendation of those responsible, I testify that he has been found worthy.
- Bishop Relying on the help of the Lord God and our Saviour Jesus Christ, we choose Jithin Anto, our brother, for the Order of the Priesthood.

All Thanks be to God.

All present give their assent with applause.

HOMILY Most Reverend Gregory Bennet

PROMISE OF THE ELECT

Bishop Dear son, before you enter the Order of the Priesthood, you must declare before the people your intention to undertake this office.

Do you resolve, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to discharge without fail the Office of Priesthood in the presbyteral rank, as a worthy fellow worker with the Order of Bishops in caring for the Lord's flock?

Elect I do.

Bishop Do you resolve to exercise the ministry of the word worthily and wisely, preaching the Gospel and teaching the Catholic faith?

Elect I do.

Bishop Do you resolve to celebrate faithfully and reverently, in accord with the Church's tradition, the mysteries of Christ, especially the Sacrifice of the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, for the glory of God and the sanctification of the Christian people?

Elect I do.

Bishop Do you resolve to implore with us God's mercy upon the people entrusted to your care by observing the command to pray without ceasing?

Elect I do.

Bishop Do you resolve to be united more closely every day to Christ the High Priest, who offered himself for us to the Father as a pure Sacrifice, and with him to consecrate yourself to God for the salvation of all?

Elect I do, with the help of God.

Then the elect goes to the Bishop and, kneeling before him, places his joined hands between those of the Bishop.

Bishop Do you promise respect and obedience to me and my successors?

ElectI do.BishopMay God who has begun the good work in you bring it to
fulfillment.

LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

please stand

Bishop My dear people, let us pray that God the all-powerful Father will pour out abundantly the gifts of heaven on this, his servant, whom he has chosen for the office of Priest.

Deacon Let us kneel.

Cantor:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. *All Respond:* Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.



Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Saint Michael,
Holy Angels of God,
Saint John the Baptist,
Saint Joseph,
Saint Peter and Saint Paul,
Saint Andrew,
Saint James,
Saint John,
Saint Thomas,
Saint Philip,
Saint Bartholomew,
Saint Matthew,
Saint Simon,
Saint Jude,
Saint Mary Magdalene,
Saint Stephen,
Saint Ignatius of Antioch,
Saint Lawrence,
Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity,
Saint Agnes,
Saint Gregory,
Saint Augustine,
Saint Athanasius,
Saint Basil,
Saint Martin,

pray for us.
pray for us.

Saint Benedict,]
Saint Antony of Padua]
Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Dominic]
Saint Clare of Assisi]
Saint Francis Xavier,]
Saint John Vianney,]
Saint Catherine of Siena,]
St Vincent de Paul]
Saint Teresa of Jesus,]
Saint Teresa of Calcutta]
Saint John Paul II]
Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop,]
All holy men and women, Saints of God,]

Lord, be merciful, From all evil, From every sin, From everlasting death, By your Incarnation, By your Death and Resurrection, By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit,

Be merciful to us sinners,

Govern and protect your holy Church, Keep the Pope and all the ordained in faithful service to your Church,

Bless these chosen man,

Bless and sanctify these chosen man, Bless, sanctify, and consecrate these chosen man,

Bring all peoples together in peace and Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer. true harmony,

Comfort with your mercy the troubled and the afflicted,

Strengthen all of us and keep us in your holy service,

Jesus, Son of the living God,

pray for us. pray for us. pray for us pray for us. pray for us.



Lord, deliver us, we pray. Lord, deliver us, we pray.



Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

Bishop Hear us, we beseech you, Lord our God, and pour out on this servant of yours the blessing of the Holy Spirit and the power of priestly grace, that this man, whom in the sight of your mercy we offer to be consecrated, may be surrounded by your rich and unfailing gifts. Through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Deacon Let us stand.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

The elect rises and goes to the Bishop and kneels before him. In silence, the Bishop lays his hands upon the head of the Elect. After the Bishop has laid on hands, all the Priests present, lay hands on the elect in silence. After the Laying on of Hands, the Priests remain alongside the Bishop until the end of the Prayer of Ordination.

Hymn to the Holy Spirit Veni Creator Spiritus

- 1. Veni, Creator Spiritus, mentes tuorum visita: imple superna gratia, quae tu creasti pectora.
- 2. Qui diceris Paraclitus, donum Dei altissimi, fons vivus, ignis, caritas, et spiritalis unctio.
- 3. Tu septiformis munere, dextrae Dei tu digitus, tu rite promissum Patris, sermone ditans guttura.
- 4. Accende lumen sensibus, infunde amorem cordibus, infirma nostri corporis virtute firmans perpeti.
- 5. Hostem repellas longius, pacemque dones protinus: ductore sic te praevio, vitemus omne noxium.

- 6. Per te sciamus da Patrem, noscamus atque Filium, te utriusque Spiritum credamus omni tempore.
- 7. Deo Patri sit gloria, et Filio, qui a mortuis surrexit, ac Paraclito, in saeculorum saecula. Amen.

PRAYER OF ORDINATION

Bishop Draw near, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and eternal God, author of human dignity: it is you who apportion all graces. Through you everything progresses; through you all things are made to stand firm.

To form a priestly people, you appoint ministers of Christ your Son by the power of the Holy Spirit, arranging them in different orders. Already in the earlier covenant offices arose, established through mystical rites: when you set Moses and Aaron over your people to govern and sanctify them, you chose men next in rank and dignity to accompany them and assist them in their task. So too in the desert you implanted the spirit of Moses in the hearts of seventy wise men; and with their help he ruled your people with greater ease. So also, upon the sons of Aaron you poured an abundant share of their father's plenty, that the number of the priests prescribed by the Law might be sufficient for the sacrifices of the tabernacle, which were a shadow of the good things to come.

But in these last days, holy Father, you sent your Son into the world, Jesus, who is Apostle and High Priest of our confession. Through the Holy Spirit he offered himself to you as a spotless victim; and he made his Apostles, consecrated in the truth, sharers in his mission. You provided them also with companions to proclaim and carry out the work of salvation throughout the whole world.

And now we beseech you, Lord, in our weakness, to grant us this helper that we need to exercise the Priesthood that comes from the Apostles. Grant, we pray, Almighty Father, to this your servant the dignity of the Priesthood; renew deep within him the Spirit of holiness; may he henceforth possess this office, which comes from you, O God, and is next in rank to the office of Bishop; and by the example of his manner of life, may he instil right conduct.

May he be a worthy co-worker with our Order, so that by his preaching and through the grace of the Holy Spirit the words of the Gospel may bear fruit in human hearts and reach even to the ends of the earth. Together with us, may he be a faithful steward of your mysteries, so that your people may be renewed in the waters of rebirth and nourished from your altar; so that sinners may be reconciled and the sick raised up. May he be joined with us, Lord, in imploring your mercy for the people entrusted to his care and for all the world. And so may the full number of the nations, gathered together in Christ, be transformed into your one people and made perfect in your Kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

All Amen.

INVESTITURE WITH STOLE AND CHASUBLE

Fr Jithin Anto is vested by Fr Peter Bickley.

ANOINTING OF HANDS

The Bishop anoints the palms of the new priest with Oil of Holy Chrism.

Bishop The Lord Jesus Christ, whom the Father anointed with the Holy Spirit and power, guard and preserve you that you may sanctify the Christian people and offer sacrifice to God.

Hymn O God of All Creation

- O God of all creation, whose glory fills the sky,' we gather in your presence, our spirits lifted high: to bring for humble service, one who answers to your call, that he may follow Christ the example for us all. Protect him and guide him, his faith in you be strong, as now he journeys onward, we sing the ancient song:
- 2. "You are a priest forever" within God's Church on dearth, "in the line of Melchizedek" a priest before your birth. Called out to be a pastor, the flock of Christ to serve; From the humble to the mighty, the word of God make heard. To celebrate the sacraments, in fitting praise proclaim the love of Holy Trinity, give honour to the God's name.



HANDING OVER OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Sunny Joseph and Mini Sunny, bring forward the paten with the bread and a chalice containing the wine mixed with water for the celebration of the Mass.

The Bishop places these into the hands of the newly ordained.

Bishop Receive the oblation of the holy people, to be offered to God. Understand what you do, imitate what you celebrate, and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord's Cross.

KISS OF PEACE

BishopPeace be with you.Fr Jithin AntoAnd with your spirit.

All the Priests present give the fraternal kiss to the newly ordained Priest.

Hymn These Alone Are Enough

- Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams. Take me mind with all its plans and schemes. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God are enough for me.
- Take my thoughts, o Lord, and my memory. Take me tears, my joys, my liberty. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God are enough for me.
- I surrender, Lord, all I have and hold.
 I return to you your gifts untold.
 Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
 These alone, O God are enough for me.
- 4. When the darkness falls on my final days, Take the very breath that sang your praise. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God are enough for me.



The Creed and General Intercessions are omitted.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Offerings

Bishop May the sacrifice of our worship, Lord, we pray, be offered to you unceasingly, to complete what was begun in sacred mystery and powerfully accomplish for us your saving work. Through Christ our Lord.

All Amen

Eucharistic Prayer III and Preface Dialogue

Preface The two comings of Christ



It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord. For he assumed at his first coming the lowliness of human flesh, and so fulfilled the design you formed long ago, and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, that, when he comes again in glory and majesty and all is at last made manifest. we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which now we dare to hope. And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions. and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Holy, Holy





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The Rite of Peace



Communion The Servant song

- Brother, Sister, let me serve you, Let me be as Christ to you; Pray that I may have the grace To let you be my servant too.
- We are pilgrims on the journey, We are travellers on the road; We are here to help each other Walk the mile and share the load.
- 3. I will hold the Christ-light for you In the night-time of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you, Speak the peace you long to hear.
- 4. I will weep when you are weeping; When you laugh I'll laugh with you. I will share your joy and sorrow 'til we've seen this journey through.
- When we sing to God in heaven We shall find such harmony, Born of all we've known together Of Christ's love and agony.

6. Will you let me be your servant, Let me be as Christ to you; Pray that I may have the grace To let you be my servant too.

Prayer after Communion

 Bishop We implore your mercy, Lord, that this divine sustenance may cleanse us of our faults and prepare us for the coming feasts. Through Christ our Lord.
 All Amen

The Concluding Rites

Bishop	The Lord be with you.
All	And with your spirit.
Deacon	Bow down for the blessing.

Then the Bishop, with hands extended over the newly ordained Priest gives the blessing.

Bishop All	May God, who founded the Church and guides her still, protect you constantly with his grace, that you may faithfully discharge the duties of the Priesthood. Amen
Bishop	May he make you a servant and witness in the world to divine charity and truth and a faithful minister of reconciliation.
All	Amen
Bishop All	And may he make you a true shepherd to provide the living Bread and word of life to the faithful, that they may continue to grow in the unity of the Body of Christ. Amen
Bishop	And may almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here, the Father, + and the Son, + and the Holy + Spirit.
All	Amen
Deacon All	Go and glorify the Lord by your life. Thanks be to God.
AII	ו וומווגא של נט טטע.

Recessional Hymn Magnificat

My claims the great-ness Lord. 1. soul pro of the 2. Through me great deeds will God make man - i fest, God's might - y arm, pro - tec - tor of the just, 3. will the Soon hun - gry poor and of the earth 4. 5. All be to God, Cre - a - tor blest, glo - ry 0. 0 God, 1. My spir - it sings to my sav - ing God, 2. And all earth will come call blest. the to me 3. Will guard the weak and raise them from the dust. 4. Be rich - ly blest, be giv - en great - er worth. Christ, God's love made man - i 5. To Je - sus fest, 1. Who on a - bove all this day oth - ers fa - vored me 2. Un-bound-ed love and mer-cy sure will Т pro - claim kings will swift-ly fall from thrones cor - rupt. 3. But might - y as once fore-told to 4. And el, ls - ra A - bra - ham, 5. And to the Ho - ly Spir - it, gen - tle Com - fort er, 1. And raised light me for all see. up, а to 2. For who know and praise God's ho - ly all name. 3. The strong brought low, the low - ly lift - ed up. 4. Will live peace through-out the prom-ised in land. 5. All glo be, both now and ev - er - more. ry

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us!



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