

"He answered, Here I am Lord' Acts 9:10

11th December 2020 St Mary's Cathedral, Sale

Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. Paul Simon Zaher

11.00 am 11th December 2020 St Mary's Cathedral Sale

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St Mary's Cathedral Parish

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The Introductory Rites

Proce	ssional Hymn	In Faith and Hop	e and Love	please stand
Refra	with joyfu	d hope and love l trust we move ur Father's home	above.	
	Christ, our star, c Го the Father's h	our map, our road igh abode.	Ref.	
	Christ, our bread Christ, our rescu	along the way; e when we stray.	Ref.	
	Christ, our shelte Our beginning ar	er, Christ our friend nd our end.	l, <i>Ref.</i>	
	Christ, our hope Our redeemer ar		Ref.	
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Greeting and Introduction

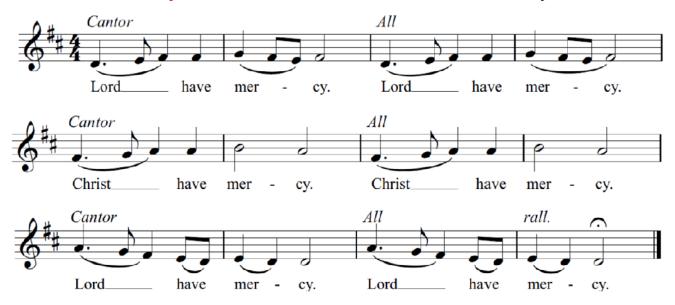
Bishop	In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All	Amen.
Bishop	Peace be with you.
All	And with your spirit.

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. Lord our God, who in governing your people make use of the ministry of Priests, grant a persevering obedience to your will to this Deacon of your Church, whom you graciously choose today for the office of the priesthood, so that by his ministry and life he may gain glory for you in Christ. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading (Isaiah 61:1-3)

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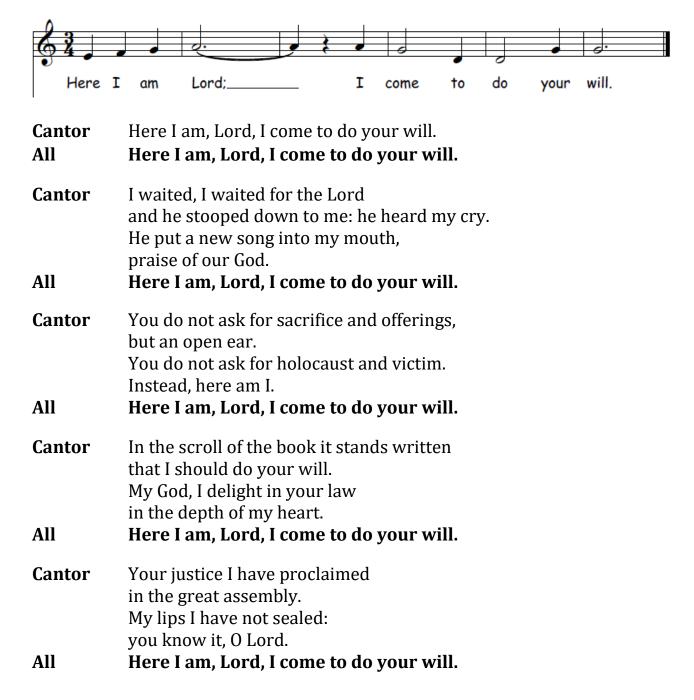
A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The spirit of the Lord is upon me to comfort all who mourn.

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. to comfort all those who mourn and to give them for ashes a garland; for mourning robe, the oil of gladness, for despondency, praise.

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

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 39)



Second Reading (Hebrews 5:1-10)

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Hebrews.

Although he was the Son of God, he learned obedience from what he suffered.

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever. During his life on earth, he offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation and was acclaimed by God with the title of high priest of the order of Melchizedek.

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

Gospel Acclamation

please stand

Ref.



Verse (Jn 10:14)

Choir Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep, and they know me.

Gospel (John 21:15-17)

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

Take care of my lambs and my sheep.

Jesus showed himself to his disciples, and after they had eaten he said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'

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 Paul Simon Zaher, 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 Paul Simon Zaher, 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 Paul Simon Zaher, 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?

Elect I do.

Bishop May God who has begun the good work in you bring it to fulfillment.

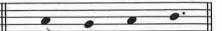
LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

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.



Hele Mare Mathematica d
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,
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pray for us. pray for us.

please stand

Saint Benedict, Saint Antony of Padua Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Dominic Saint Clare of Assisi 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 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.



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.

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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 Bishops 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

INVESTITURE WITH STOLE AND CHASUBLE

Fr Zaher is vested by Fr Nguyen

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 Creation¹

- 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

please sit

Christopher Zaher brings 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.

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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 ZaherAnd 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 O God, who have willed that your Priests should minister at the holy altar and serve your people, grant by the power of this sacrifice, we pray, that the labours of your servants may constantly please you and in your Church bear that fruit which lasts for ever. Through Christ our Lord.
All Amen

Eucharistic Prayer III and Preface Dialogue

Preface *Christ, source of all ministry in the Church.*



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. For by the anointing of the Holy Spirit vou made vour Only Begotten Son High Priest of the new and eternal covenant, and by your wondrous design were pleased to decree that his one Priesthood should continue in the Church. For Christ not only adorns with a royal priesthood the people he has made his own, but with a brother's kindness he also chooses men to become sharers in his sacred ministry through the laying on of hands. They are to renew in his name the sacrifice of human redemption, to set before your children the paschal banquet, to lead your holy people in charity, to nourish them with the word and strengthen them with the Sacraments. As they give up their lives for you and for the salvation of their brothers and sisters, they strive to be conformed to the image of Christ himself and offer you a constant witness of faith and love. And so, Lord, with all the Angels and Saints, we, too, give you thanks, as in exultation we acclaim:

Holy, Holy



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The Lord's Prayer

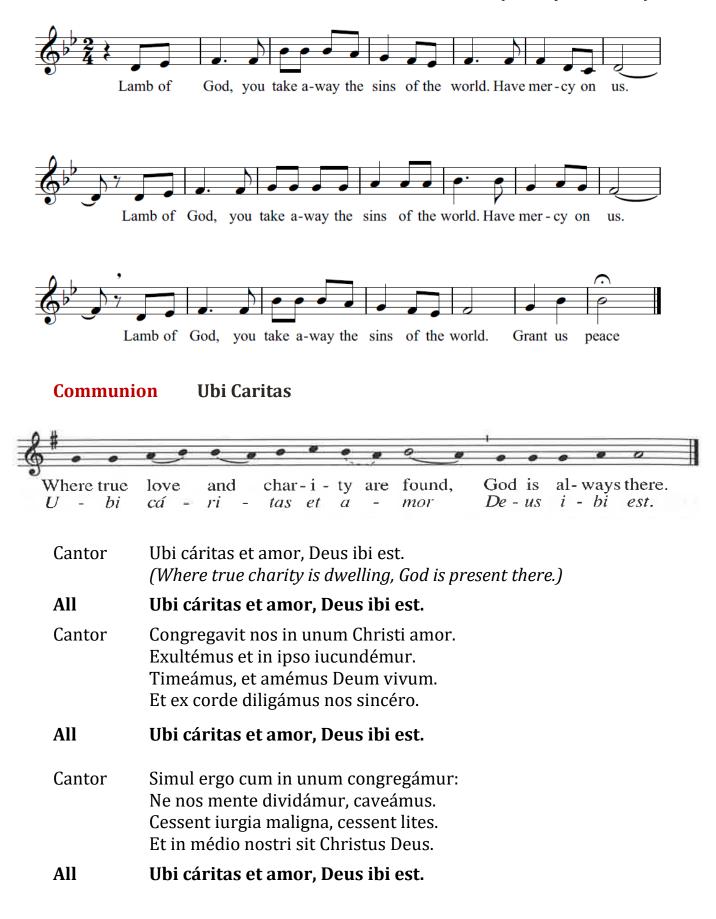
- Bishop At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
- All Our Father, who art in heaven...... hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- Bishop Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
- All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

The Rite of Peace

Bishop	Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
	Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins,
	but on the faith of your Church,
	and graciously grant her peace and unity
	in accordance with your will.
	Who live and reign for ever and ever.
All	Amen.
Bishop	The peace of the Lord be with you always.
All:	And with your spirit.
Deacon	Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

please kneel

(Mass of St Francis)



Lamb of God

Cantor Simul quoque cum beátis videamus, Gloriánter vultum tuum, Christe Deus: Gáudium quod est imménsum, atque probum, Sáecula per infinita saeculórum. Amen.

All Ubi cáritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

Salve Regina

Salve, Regina, Mater misericordiæ, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamamus exsules filii Hevæ, Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia, ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte; Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Prayer after Communion

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 All	May he make you a servant and witness in the world to divine charity and truth and a faithful minister of reconciliation. 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

The Bishop extends his hand over the people

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.

Recessional Hymn Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,

 I have heard my people cry.
 All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.
 I who made the stars of night,
 I will make their darkness bright.
 Who will bear my light to them?
 Whom shall I send?

Refrain Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born my peoples pain. I have wept for love of them, they turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them, Whom shall I send? Ref.



3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, my hand will save. Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them, Whom shall I send? Ref.

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