



DIOCESE OF TRURO
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The Licensing and Inauguration
of

The Revd Richard Magrath
as

**Priest in Charge of the benefice of Saltash
and the benefice of Landrake
with St Erney and Botus Fleming**

by
The Rt Revd Hugh Nelson
Bishop of St Germans

and
The Ven Kelly Betteridge
Archdeacon of Bodmin

Botus Fleming, St Mary
Tuesday 8th March, 7pm

About this Service

This service of licensing is the time when the priest takes up their position as new priest in charge for the parishes.

In the service the new priest declares their faith in Christ, as uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and makes promises of allegiance to the Queen and obedience to the Bishop.

It is also the time when, represented by visiting the Altar, the Lectern and the Stall of the priest, both new priest, and the people promise to uphold the ministry of word and sacrament.

It is a time of welcome, thanksgiving and celebration for everyone as a new ministry begins and a new chapter in the life of the parish opens up.

Introducing Richard Magrath

Richard Magrath grew up in Warrington in North West England. He read English at Cambridge and afterwards worked in online advertising, including for the Government Central Office of Information.

Later he also worked in trust and finance law while studying law part-time. After working for churches in the West Midlands and South London, Richard began training for ministry in Cambridge, where he met Kayleigh. They married in 2018.

Richard served his title post at St Mary-at-Finchley in London, where he and Kayleigh were joined first by two cats, Marlowe and Shakespeare, and later baby Elowen in summer 2021.

Before the service begins you may wish to pray for:

- All who have worshipped and ministered here in the past
- All who worship here today
- All who live and work in this community
- Richard and his family
- Yourself, your own life, worship and witness.

Offering

There will be a plate at the back of the church for a retiring collection.

The offering at this service is for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund

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The Gathering

These to be seated before the service

- Readers
- Visiting Clergy
- Clergy and Readers of the Parishes
- Cathedral Canons
- The Patron (or person presenting) with the Priest in Charge designate
- The Rural Dean and Lay Chair

Before the service The Revd Chris Painter, Rural Dean, welcomes everyone and announces the first hymn.

The service begins with a hymn, during which the procession enters in the following order:

- The Archdeacon
- The Churchwardens
- The Bishop
- Deputy Lord Lieutenant

Hymn

ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL,

Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell,
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed,
Without our aid He did us make:
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise,
Approach with joy His courts unto:
Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why, the Lord our God is good;
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Greeting and Welcome

The congregation remain standing.

The Bishop greets the people.

Bishop In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Bishop Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

All **and also with you.**

The Bishop introduces the service.

Bishop Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are here as the family of God in our Father's presence to offer Him our worship and praise, to hear and receive His holy word, and to pray for His blessing on all who work in His name.

Today we thank God for the ministry and mission of his Church over the years in these parishes and for those who have shared in it during the time of vacancy.

And now we welcome Richard and his family to these parishes, to license him to the ministry he will share, to pray for Richard and for those who will minister alongside him, to dedicate ourselves afresh to the service of God in these communities, and to the call of God for each one of us.

The Collect

The congregation remain standing.

Bishop Let us pray
God our Father,
Lord of all the world,
We thank you for calling us through your Son Jesus Christ
into the fellowship of your universal Church.
Hear our prayer for all your faithful people
that each in their vocation and ministry
may be an instrument of your love.
Give to this your servant Richard the needful gifts of grace
For the good of your Church and the welfare of all people
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Archdeacon leads a short introductory activity.

The Presentation

The congregation sits.

The Rural Dean, the Priest in Charge designate and the Churchwardens stand before the bishop.

Rural Dean Bishop Hugh, I present Richard Magrath to be licensed as Priest in Charge of the benefice of Saltash and the benefice of Landrake with St Erney and Botus Fleming.

Bishop I thank you and all those who, with prayer, have been involved in the appointment of Richard to these benefices.

Richard, do you believe, so far as you know your own heart, that God has called you to serve here?

Priest I believe that God has called me.

Bishop Will you commit yourself to share in the mission and ministry of the people in these parishes and with them to further the Kingdom of God?

Priest With the help of God I will.

The Bishop addresses the congregation

Bishop People of God will you welcome Richard to your communities, and work creatively and faithfully with him, and do all in your power together to extend Christ's Kingdom and make him known in the world?

All With the help of God, we will.

Hymn

FIRMLY I BELIEVE AND TRULY

God is Three and God is One;
and I next acknowledge duly
manhood taken by the Son.

And I trust and hope most fully
in that manhood crucified;
and each thought and deed unruly
do to death, as he has died.

Simply to his grace and wholly
light and life and strength belong,
and I love supremely, solely,
him the holy, him the strong.

And I hold in veneration,
for the love of him alone,
Holy Church as his creation,
and her teachings as his own.

Adoration may be given,
with and through the angelic host,
to the God of earth and heaven,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Priest in Charge stands.

A Reader, Local Worship Leader or other lay person brings a Bible forward and places it on the lectern, and says:

As disciples of Christ we are called to read and reflect on the Scriptures that we may grow in our faith. Richard, will you work with us to deepen our knowledge and understanding of the things of God?

Priest With the help of God, I will.
Will you share with us in the regular study and proclamation of God's word that together we may bring the light of faith to those in darkness, kindle the fire of love upon earth, and open the door of hope to the world?

All **We will.**
Together, by God's grace, let us go deeper in Christ and share his Good News with the world.

Reading Genesis 3.6-9 read by Kayleigh Magrath

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Bishop leads a short reflective activity.

Hymn

THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD; I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,
and in God's house forevermore
my dwelling place shall be.

Reading John 10.11-16

The Priest in Charge designate reads the second lesson.

Priest This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God**

The Sermon

The Licensing

Declaration and Oaths

The Archdeacon, with the authority of the Bishop, calls upon the Priest in Charge designate to affirm their loyalty to the Anglican inheritance of faith and to swear allegiance to the Queen and canonical obedience to the Bishop of Truro.

The Declaration of Assent

Archdeacon 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.

Richard 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?

Priest I, Richard Magrath, 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 Oath of Allegiance

The Priest in Charge designate holding the Bible, faces the congregation and makes the customary oath to the Sovereign, reflecting the obligation of all Church of England ministers to serve the wider community.

Priest I, Richard Magrath, swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, her heirs and successors, according to law: so help me God.

The Oath of Canonical Obedience

The Priest in Charge designate, holding the Bible, faces the Bishop and declares their intention to serve under the due authority of the church, personified in the office of the Bishop.

Priest I, Richard Magrath, do swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Bishop of Truro, and his successors, in all things lawful and honest: so help me God.

The Priest in Charge designate and Bishop then sign the declaration and oaths.

The Priest kneels.

The Bishop reads aloud the legal document, and then gives it to the Priest:

Richard, 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.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, give you vision, courage and love to do his will; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The Installation

The Archdeacon takes the Priest in Charge by the hand and places them in their seat.

The priest sits.

Archdeacon Richard, I place you in one of the accustomed seats of the priest of this these parishes. Pray for your people, lead them in worship and service, and encourage them in their witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit.
May God's blessing rest upon your ministry.

Priest Amen.

The Welcome

The Rural Dean and representatives from the local community welcome the new Priest in Charge after which the Rural Dean invites all present to join in.

Rural Dean Let us all join together in welcoming Richard.
All In the name of the Lord, we welcome you.

*The people signify their welcome with a round of applause.
The new Priest in Charge responds.*

The Celebration of the Baptismal Covenant

All Stand.

As the Bishop and Priest in Charge process to the font all turn to face the font.

Water is poured into the font.

Bishop 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.
In baptism the whole Church is summoned to witness to God's love and
to work for the coming of his kingdom.

I invite you to join with me as we affirm our baptismal covenant
together.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

All With the help of God, I will.

Will you persevere in resisting evil,
and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

All With the help of God, I will.

Will you proclaim by word and example
the good news of God in Christ?

All With the help of God, I will.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all people,
loving your neighbour as yourself?

All With the help of God, I will.

Will you acknowledge Christ's authority over human society,
by prayer for the world and its leaders,
by defending the weak, and by seeking peace and justice?

All With the help of God, I will.

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,
that you may be rooted and grounded in love
and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.

All Amen.

The Bishop sprinkles the people with holy water as a reminder of their baptism.

The Bishop continues:

There is one body, one Spirit, one hope in God's call,
one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

All

There is one God, Father of all, over all and in all,
to whom Christ ascended on high.

All

And through his Spirit he gives us gifts:

All

some are apostles, some are prophets.

Evangelists, pastors and teachers he gives us,

All

so we may minister together

to build up his body,

All

to be mature in the fullness of Christ.

The Bishop and Priest in Charge process to the priests stall.

Representatives of the Parishes place an Office Book on a prayer desk in the stall and say:

As disciples of Christ we are called to be people of prayer and come to
God in worship. Richard, will you work with us to encourage the
people of our parish to share in worship and prayer?

Priest

I will. Together let us undertake to build up our worshipping
communities offering our prayers and praises to the glory of God.

All

With the help of God we will.

The Prayers

The Priest in Charge introduces the prayers.

Representatives from the Parishes lead prayers for the church, the world and various aspects of parish life.

The Priest in Charge concludes the prayers:

Gathering all our prayers together,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

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.**

Hymn

During which the Bishop and Priest in Charge process to the altar.

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him
Crown Him Lord of all.

Crown him, you martyrs of our God,
Who from his altar call;
Praise Him whose way of pain ye trod,
And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him
Crown Him Lord of all.

Ye prophets who our freedom won,
Ye searchers, great and small,
By whom the work of truth is done,
Now crown Him, crown Him, crown Him
Crown Him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
the wormwood and the gall,
go spread your trophies at His feet,
And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him
Crown Him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him
Crown Him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue
To him their hearts enthral;
Lift high the universal song,
And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him
Crown Him Lord of all

Representatives from the parishes place bread and wine on the altar, symbols of the worshipping community, and say:

As disciples of Christ we are commanded to remember him in the taking and breaking of bread. Will you join with us to ensure that we continue to feed on Christ?

Priest I will. Will you join with us in following this command, gathering whenever we are able in Christ's name, and remembering him in the taking of bread and wine?

All **With the help of God we will.**

The new Priest in Charge leads a final reflective activity.

The new Priest in Charge gives out any notices and details of the following Sunday's services.

The Blessing and Dismissal

The congregation stand

Bishop Brothers and sisters in Christ
let us ask for God's blessing upon our life and ministry,
as we follow the Way of Christ in this place.

As we journey up;
may God the Father enable us to share in worship and prayer that our
lives in Christ may be deepened
and we grow together in the Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Bishop As we journey in;
may God the Father help us to share together in study and reflection
that we may become true disciples of Christ
and live in the power of his Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Bishop As we journey with;
may Christ form us into his Body in this place
that we may celebrate our diversity of gifts
and care for those in need.

All **Amen.**

Bishop As we journey out; may the Spirit of God empower us
to spread the Gospel of the Father's love
that we may work together to build up his church
and discover the joy of Christ's Kingdom among us.

All **Amen.**

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

All **Amen.**

Priest Filled with the Spirit's power
go in the light and peace of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All remain standing as the Bishop leads the new Priest in Charge from the Church.

Order of outgoing Procession

- The Visiting Clergy
- The Rural Dean and Lay Chair
- The Archdeacon
- Wardens escort dignitaries

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