



Ordination to the  
Sacred Order of Deacons

Holy Cross Day  
Sunday, September 13, 2020 at 4:30pm

The Cathedral Church of St. James  
*Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada*

*Presiding Celebrant  
& Homilist* The Right Reverend Andrew Asbil

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*Gospeller* The Reverend Canon Janet Read-Hockin

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*Presenters:* The Reverend Canon Sister Constance  
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*Presenters:* The Reverend Canon Jerome Khelawan &  
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Andrew Thomas Johnson  
*Presenters:* The Reverend Canon Dr. Murray Henderson  
& Elise Johnson

Maria P. Ling  
*Presenters:* The Reverend Canon Peter Walker &  
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*Representatives of the  
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*Organist* David Simon  
*Cantor* Rebecca Gray  
*Violinist* Bora Kim

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## Welcome to St. James Cathedral

*Welcome! Please observe silence before the service begins and ensure that cell phones are turned off. Photography is not permitted during the liturgy.*

*This sacred land is the territory of several Indigenous Nations - the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee, and the Anishnaabe, with special recognition to the Mississaugas of New Credit.*

*We also acknowledge that we are on the shores of Niigaani-gichigami / Lake Ontario.*

*This territory is governed by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Treaty, an agreement between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Anishnaabe Confederacy to peaceably share and sustain the life of the Great Lakes.*

*In the spirit of that Treaty we seek to place at the centre of our gatherings the values of respectful reciprocity, diversity, peace, responsibility, and mutual aid.*

### **THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Prelude**      Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 654      *Johann Sebastian Bach*  
Komm, Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist, BWV 667

*Please stand, as you are able.*

### **Greeting**

*Bishop*      The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

*People*      And also with you.

*Bishop*      Almighty God,

*All*      to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **The Collect**

*Bishop*      Let us pray.      *Please remain standing.*

Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself, may we who rejoice in the mystery of our redemption, have grace to take up our cross and follow him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People*      Amen.

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*Please be seated.*

### First Reading

*Numbers 21: 4b-9*

*Reader* The Israelites became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please remain seated.*

### Psalm

*Psalm 98: 1-6*

*One* Sing to the Lord a new song,  
for he has done marvellous things.

*All* **With his right hand and his holy arm  
has he won for himself the victory.**

*One* The Lord has made known his victory;  
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

*All* **He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

*One* Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

*All* **Sing to the Lord with the harp,  
with the harp and the voice of song.**

### Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 1: 18-24*

*Reader* For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through

wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand, as you are able.*

*John 3: 13-17*

## **The Holy Gospel**

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*Gospeller* Jesus said, "No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 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."

*Gospeller* The Gospel of Christ.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## **The Homily**

### **The Nicene Creed**

*Please stand with the Bishop, as you are able.*

*Bishop* Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*All* We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in

glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **The Presentation**

*Please be seated when the Bishop is seated.*

*Presenters* Andrew, bishop in the Church of God, on behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of Toronto, we present you Andrew William Colman, Jonathan Wesley Galles, Rajathy Gerlyn Henry, Andrew Thomas Johnson, and Maria P. Ling to be ordained deacon in Christ's holy catholic Church.

*Bishop* Have they been selected in accordance with the canons and customs of this Church? And do you believe their manner of life to be suitable to the exercise of this ministry?

*Presenters* We certify to you that they have been duly selected, and we believe them to be qualified for this order.

*Bishop* Will you be loyal to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of Christ as this Church has received them? And will you, in accordance with the canons of this Church, obey your bishop and other ministers who may have authority over you and your work?

*Ordinands* I am willing and ready to do so; and I solemnly declare that I do believe the holy scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly promise to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Anglican Church of Canada.

*The Ordinands then sign the above declaration in the sight of all present.*

*Please stand, as you are able.*

*Bishop* Dear friends in Christ, you know the importance of this ministry, and the weight of your responsibility in presenting these persons for ordination to the sacred order of deacons. Therefore, if any of you know any impediment or crime for which we should not proceed, come forward now and make it known.

*If no objection is made, the Bishop continues:*

Is it your will that Andrew, Jonathan, Gerlyn, Andrew, and Maria be ordained deacons?

*People* It is.

*Bishop* Will you uphold them in this ministry?

*People* We will.

*Please be seated.*

## **The Examination**

*Bishop* Dear friends, every Christian is called to follow Jesus Christ, serving God the Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit. God now calls you to a special ministry of servanthood, directly under the authority of your bishop. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are to serve all people, particularly the poor, the weak, the sick, and the lonely.

As deacons in the Church, you are to study the holy scriptures, to seek nourishment from them, and to model your lives upon them. You are to make Christ and his redemptive love known, by your word and example, to those among whom you live and work and worship. You are to interpret to the Church the needs, concerns, and hopes of the world. You are to assist the bishop and priests in public worship, and in the ministration of God's word and sacraments, and you are to carry out other duties assigned to you from time to time. At all times, your life and teaching are to show Christ's people that in serving the helpless they are serving Christ himself.

Do you believe that you are truly called by God and his Church to the life and work of a deacon?

*Ordinands* I believe I am so called.

*Bishop* Do you now in the presence of the Church commit yourselves to this trust and responsibility?

*Ordinands* I do.

*Bishop* Will you be guided by the pastoral direction and leadership of your bishop?

*Ordinands* I will.

*Bishop* Will you be faithful in prayer, and in the reading and study of the holy scriptures?

*Ordinands* I will.

*Bishop* Will you look for Christ in all others, being ready to help and serve those in need?

*Ordinands* I will.

*Bishop* Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to your people?

*Ordinands* I will.

*Bishop* Will you in all things seek not your glory but the glory of the Lord Christ?

*Ordinands* I will.

*Bishop* May the Lord by his grace uphold you in the service to which you are called.

*People* Amen.

## THE CONSECRATION OF THE DEACONS

### Ordination Litany

*Bishop* In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
*Please kneel, as you are able, or be seated.*

*Litanist* God the Father,  
*People* Have mercy on us.

*Litanist* God the Son,  
*People* Have mercy on us.

*Litanist* God the Holy Spirit,  
*People* Have mercy on us.

*Litanist* Holy Trinity, one God,  
*People* Have mercy on us.

*Litanist* We pray to you, Lord Christ.  
*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For Andrew, our bishop and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For Andrew, Jonathan, Gerlyn, Andrew, and Maria, chosen deacons in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* Lord, hear our prayer.



*Litanist* That they may faithfully fulfil the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your name, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit they may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For ourselves: for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* For all who have died in the communion of the Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Litanist* Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

*People* To you, O Lord.

*Litanist* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* Amen.

## **Veni Creator Spiritus**

*Tune: Veni Creator*

*Bishop* Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire  
*Cantor* And lighten with celestial fire...

*A period of silent prayer follows.*

*Bishop*

We praise and glorify you, most merciful Father, because in your great love of our human race you sent your only Son Jesus Christ to take the form of a servant; he came to serve and not to be served; and to teach us that he who would be great among us must be the servant of all; he humbled himself for our sake, and in obedience accepted death, even death on a cross; therefore you highly exalted him and gave him the name which is above every name. And now we give you thanks that you have called these your servants to share this ministry entrusted to your Church.

Send down your Holy Spirit upon your servant –

Andrew / Jonathan / Gerlyn / Andrew / Maria –

whom we now consecrate in your name to the office and work of a deacon in the Church.

Almighty Father, give to these your servants grace and power to fulfil their ministry. Make them faithful to serve, ready to teach, and constant to advance your gospel; and grant that always having full assurance of faith, abounding in hope, and being rooted and grounded in love, they may continue strong and steadfast in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit, belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever.

*People*

Amen.

## **Vesting of the New Deacons**

*Please be seated.*

**Music**

Excerpt from ‘The Lark Ascending’

*Ralph Vaughan Williams*

## **Presentation of the Holy Scriptures**

*Bishop*

Receive this Bible as the sign of your authority to proclaim God’s word and to assist in the ministration of his holy sacraments.

*Please stand, as you are able.*

*The Bishop presents the new Deacons to the congregation.*

## **The Peace**

*Bishop*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

And also with you.

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**Motet**

Meditation

*Text: Paul Klein; Music: Clara Faisst*

*Laß leuchten in mich deines ewgen Lichtes Gottes Strahl!*

*Laß strömen in mich deiner ewigen Liebe Gottes Quell!*

*Laß wachsen in mir deines ewigen Lebens Gottes Keim*

*Du, lichtet heller, liebe voller, lebens starker Gottes Sohn!*

*Laß strahlen aus dir des Christuslichtes Sonnenglanz!*

*Laß quellen aus dir der Christusliebe Feuerstrom!*

*Laß wirken aus dir des Christus lebens Heiles Kraft*

*Du, geistes klares, liebe warmes, lebens frohes Menschenkind!*

O light of God, let your eternal beam shine in me!

O wellspring of God, let your everlasting love course through me!

O godly life, let your everlasting seed grow in me!

You, brilliant light, full of love, intense with life, O Son of God!

O light of God, let warm radiance shine from you!

O love of God, let a fiery stream spring from you!

O life of Christ, let healing power act through you!

You, clear of spirit, warm with life, O joyful son of man!

### **The Prayer over the Gifts**

*Bishop*

Merciful God, through the death of your beloved Son you transformed an instrument of shame into a sign of hope and glory. Receive all we offer you this day, and renew in us the mystery of his love; through the same Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory.

*People*

Amen.

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Bishop*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

And also with you.

*Bishop*

Lift up your hearts.

*People*

We lift them to the Lord.

*Bishop*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Bishop* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our salvation became obedient unto death. The tree of defeat became the tree of victory: where life was lost, life has been restored. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the heavenly chorus, we cry out to proclaim the glory of your name.

### **Sanctus & Benedictus**

*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.

*Bishop* We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

*All* we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

*Bishop* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

*All* Amen.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Bishop* As our Saviour taught us, let us 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. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Bishop* Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

*People* So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

### **The Communion**

*Bishop* The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

*Gluten-free hosts are available upon request.*

*If you choose not to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing at the St. John Altar. Simply cross your hands over your chest to indicate this to the priest.*

*The new Deacons will administer Holy Communion at the following locations.*

*Please follow the directions of the sidespeople.*

*Lady Altar (East aisle)*

*The Reverend Gerlyn Henry*

*Chancel Steps*

*The Reverend Andrew Colman*

*The Reverend Jonathan Galles*

*The Reverend Maria Ling*

*St. John Altar (West aisle)*

*The Reverend Andrew Johnson*

## Music during Communion

**Motet** Panis Angelicus *César Franck*

*Cantor* Panis angelicus fit panis hominum; dat panis coelicus figuris terminum:  
O res mirabilis! Manducat Dominum pauper, servus et humilis.

*Te trina Deitas, unaque poscimus, sic nos tu visita, sicut te colimus;  
Per tuas semitas duc nos quo tendimus, ad lucem quam inhabitas.*

The bread of the angels becomes the bread of humankind;  
the bread of heaven puts an end to symbolism.

O wondrous thing! The humble servants feed on the Lord.

Of you, threefold and one God, we ask: Come to visit us as we worship you;  
lead us on your paths to where we want to go: to the light in which you dwell.

## Prayer after Communion

*Bishop* Let us pray. *Please stand, as you are able.*

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the body and blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your word and sacraments. We pray that Andrew, Jonathan, Gerlyn, Andrew, and Maria may be to us a godly example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with them, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

## The Blessing

*Bishop* Our help is in the name of the Lord,

*People* The maker of heaven and earth.

*Bishop* Blessed be the name of the Lord,

*People* From this time forth for evermore.

*Bishop* The blessing, mercy, and grace of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

*People* Amen.

## Dismissal

*Bishop* Go in the peace of Christ.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Marche Episcopale

*David Briggs*

*Please exit the Cathedral by the West Door.*

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*At the High Altar, on behalf of the Diocese of Toronto,  
for today's Ordination of Deacons service.*

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