

The Institution and Induction of

The Revd Simon Winn

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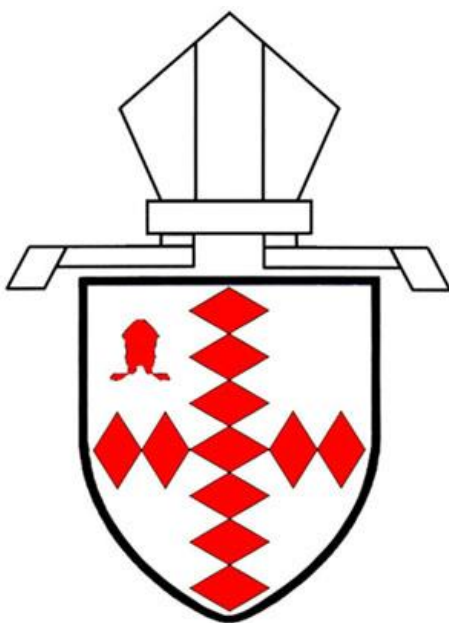
**The Rt Revd Christopher Chessun,
Bishop of Southwark**

and

**The Venerable Alastair Cutting,
Archdeacon of Lewisham & Greenwich**

at

St Alfege Church, Greenwich
23 March 2021, 8.00pm



WELCOME

Welcome to our worship tonight at St Alfege as Bishop Christopher institutes and Archdeacon Alastair inducts the Revd Simon Winn as our new Vicar.

This church stands on ground hallowed by Alfege, Archbishop of Canterbury, who was martyred here on April 19th 1012. Ever since a place of worship has stood here at the heart of Greenwich. The present building, designed by Sir Nicholas Hawksmoor, was opened in 1718 and replaced a medieval church. Restored after bombing in the Second World War, it was rededicated in 1953. Local people have worshipped and marked important rites of passage here for centuries and an extraordinary cast of characters are buried in the crypt and churchyard.

Today, St Alfege Church is a diverse congregation with a rich musical tradition and a thriving church primary school. Find out more about us at www.st-alfege.org.uk

Simon and his wife Lizzi come to us from Chesham, Buckinghamshire, where he has served as an interim Team Vicar for 15 months. Before this their family lived in Wellington, Aotearoa/New Zealand, where Simon served for nine years as a parish priest, Director of Ordinands and, from 2015-2019, Canon Precentor of Wellington Cathedral of St Paul and co-chaplain of St Mark's Church School. Prior to moving to Wellington in 2010, Simon was Vicar of St Joseph the Worker, Northolt, and Director of Ordinands for the Willesden Episcopal Area in the Diocese of London. Lizzi works as a psychotherapist in private practice.

Regrettably, continuing pandemic restrictions mean the congregation cannot sing tonight. Our music is led by members of St Alfege choir, under Director of Music Stephen Dagg with assistant organist Ben Newlove. The music setting for the Eucharist is by Harold Darke, in F.

Organ music before the service:

Nun Danket alle Gott (BWV 657) - J. S. Bach

Dies sind die heil'gen zehen Gebot (BWV 678) - J. S. Bach

Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit (BWV 669) - J. S. Bach

Please stand as the choir sings

Lord, you give the great commission:
‘Heal the sick and preach the word’.
Lest the Church neglect its mission,
and the Gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity;
*with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.*

Lord, you call us to your service:
‘In my name baptise and teach’.
That the world may trust your promise,
life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervour, draw us
closer in community;
*with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.*

Lord you show us love’s true measure:
‘Father, what they do, forgive’.
Yet we hoard as private treasure
all that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us
to a just society;
*with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.*

Lord, you bless with words assuring:
‘I am with you to the end’.
Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend,
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity;
*with the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.*

*Words: Jeffery Rowthorn (b. 1934)
Tune: Abbot’s Leigh*

THE GREETING

Bishop In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

Bishop The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

The Bishop introduces the celebration

THE COLLECT

Bishop Let us pray.
God our Father, Lord of all the world,
through your Son you have called us
into the fellowship of your universal Church;
hear our prayer for your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
each may be an instrument of your love,
and give to your servant *Simon* now to be installed and inducted
the needful gifts of grace;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
All Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

read by Harriet Winn

A reading from the Book 'Numbers'

From Mount Hor the people of Israel set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people 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.

Numbers 21. 4-9

All This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

The Choir sings

Deep in the human heart
the fires of justice burn;
with visions of a world renewed
through radical concern.
As Christians we are called
to set the captives free,
to overthrow the evil powers
and end hypocrisy.

This is our task today,
to build a world of peace;
a world of justice, freedom, truth,
where kindness will increase;
a world from hunger freed,
a world where people share,
where every person is of worth
and no-one lives in fear.

Please stand for the Gospel

Taking the step of faith,
we leave the past behind
and move into the future's world
with open heart and mind.
By grace we work with Christ,
as one community,
to bring new hope and fuller life
to all humanity.

*Words: Bill Wallace (b. 1933)
Tune: Diademata*

THE GOSPEL

Please remain standing

Read by the Revd Caroline Risdon, Assistant Priest

All Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you O Lord.

Again Jesus said to them, 'I am going away, and you will search for me, but you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come.' Then the Jews said, 'Is he going to kill himself? Is that what he means by saying, "Where I am going, you cannot come"?' He said to them, 'You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world. I told you that you would die in your sins, for you will die in your sins unless you believe that I am he.' They said to him, 'Who are you?' Jesus said to them, 'Why do I speak to you at all? I have much to say about you and much to condemn; but the one who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him.' They did not understand that he was speaking to them about the Father. So Jesus said, 'When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own, but I speak these things as the Father instructed me. And the one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what is pleasing to him.' As he was saying these things, many believed in him.

John 8. 21-30

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

An organ fanfare follows the Gospel

THE SERMON

The Ven. Alastair Cutting, Archdeacon of Lewisham and Greenwich

ANTHEM

The choir sings

O for a closer walk with God,
a calm and heavenly frame;
a light to shine upon the road
that leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy dove, return,
sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
and drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God,
calm and serene my frame;
so purer light shall mark the road
that leads me to the Lamb.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800)

Music: from the Scottish Psalter, 1635, arr. Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

THE PRESENTATION

We listen as the Incumbent designate is commended to the Bishop by the Revd Dr Digby Wilkinson, Diocese of Wellington (Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia) via an audio recording

The Archdeacon of Lewisham and Greenwich reads the letters patent on behalf of Mrs Helen Dimmock, Ecclesiastical Secretary to the Crown and Lord Chancellor, the Patron's Representative

The Bishop replies

Thank you for this presentation. I am ready to proceed, and I invite you, Archdeacon, to administer the Declaration and Oaths.

THE DECLARATION OF ASSENT AND THE OATHS

The Declaration of Assent, the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Canonical Obedience are administered by the Archdeacon

THE REAFFIRMATION OF ORDINATION VOWS

Bishop Simon, before you receive this share in our pastoral charge will you, before God and this congregation, renew your dedication to Christ as a Priest of the new covenant?

Priest I will.

Bishop At your ordination you accepted the responsibility of the Priesthood out of love for the Lord Jesus and his Church. Are you resolved to unite yourself more closely to him by being

diligent in prayer and the study of the Holy Scriptures? Will you continually stir up the gift of God that is within you to make Christ known to all?

Priest With the help of God, I will.

Bishop Are you resolved to be a faithful minister of the mysteries of God, to celebrate the Eucharist and other liturgical services with sincere devotion? Will you strive to fashion your own life and that of your household according to the way of Christ?

Priest With the help of God, I will.

Bishop Will you promote unity, peace and love among all Christian people, and especially among those whom you serve? Will you do all that is within your power to build up the Church which is the Body of Christ?

Priest With the help of God, I will.

THE COMMISSION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Please stand

Bishop My brothers and sisters, we who are baptised are called to worship and serve the living God. As a new chapter begins in the life of this Parish, let us recommit ourselves in the service of God and neighbour that the good news of his salvation may be known in our lives, our homes and our community. Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in the prayers?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bishop 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, we will.**

Bishop 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 INSTITUTION

Please sit. The Incumbent-designate kneels before the Bishop. The Bishop reads the Deed of Institution

Bishop Receive this cure of souls, which is both mine and yours, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Bishop then Blesses the new Incumbent, saying

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
come down upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

THE INDUCTION

The Bishop delivers the Mandate of Induction to the Archdeacon, saying

Now that we have duly and canonically instituted our well-beloved in Christ, *Simon*, into the cure of souls of this living, we hereby empower and require you, Archdeacon, to induct him into the real, actual and corporeal possession of this church and benefice.

The Archdeacon's procession goes to the door of the Church

The Archdeacon places the Incumbent's hand upon the handle of the door, saying

By virtue of this mandate, I do induct you into the real, actual and corporeal possession of this church and benefice.

The Incumbent tolls the bell to signify his taking possession of the Parish church

The Archdeacon's procession returns to the Chancel

The Archdeacon places the new Incumbent in his stall; he kneels as the Archdeacon says

The Lord himself is your keeper, the Lord is your defence upon your right hand. The Lord preserve you from all evil; it is even he that shall keep your soul. The Lord preserve your going out and your coming in, from this time forth and for evermore.
Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Please kneel or sit as the new Incumbent leads the intercessions

All Blessed are you eternal God,
to be praised and glorified for ever.

All Heavenly Father, hear us as we pray for the unity of the Church.
May we all be one that the world may believe.

All Grant that every member of the Church
may truly and humbly serve you,
that the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

All We remember those who have died.
Father, into your hands we commend them.

All We praise you for Alfege and all your saints
who have entered your eternal glory.
May we also come to share your heavenly kingdom.

All Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness,
grief or trouble.
In your presence may they find strength.

All Look with your kindness on our homes and families.
Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.

All Make us alive to the needs of our community.
Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.

All Inspire and lead those who hold authority
in the nations of the world.
Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.

All Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name.
 Give us courage to proclaim your Gospel.

We pray in silence for our own needs

The Prayers conclude

All Praise to you, abundant God,
 for when we ask, you give;
 when we seek, you show the way.
 When we knock, you answer.
 Praise to you for your unfailing grace.
 Make us now your faithful people. Amen.

THE WELCOME

The Bishop presents the new Incumbent to the congregation

People of God, I present to you *Simon* as your new Parish Priest.

The Archdeacon introduces the welcomes to the new Incumbent, beginning with the Churchwardens who say

On behalf of the Parish of St Alfege we welcome you as our new Vicar. We promise that we will bear our full share with you in all the work of the Parish.

Other representatives of the community greet the new Incumbent via recorded messages

- *The Revd Margaret Cave, Area Dean, Charlton Deanery*
- *Pieter van der Merwe, Representative Deputy Lieutenant for the Royal Borough of Greenwich*
- *Councillor Linda Bird, The Worshipful The Mayor of Greenwich*
- *The Revd Pat Mann, Chaplain, Chapel of St Peter and St Paul, ORNC*
- *Professor Jane Harrington, Vice Chancellor, University of Greenwich*
- *Amanda Wilson, Headteacher, St Alfege with St Peter's Church of England Primary School*
- *Tim Orchard, Master, Drapers Company (Queen Elizabeth College)*
- *Sarah Oliver, Housing Manager, The Mercers Company (Trinity Hospital)*

The choir of Wellington Cathedral of St Paul, directed by Michael Stewart, offers a waita (a song of honouring and welcome) via video

At the end the Incumbent replies

Thank you for your welcome. Let us pray daily for one another that we may work together for Christ with faithfulness, zeal and love.

THE NOTICES

The Incumbent gives any notices

THE PEACE

Please stand

Bishop We are the Body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may greet one another, saying 'peace be with you'

OFFERTORY HYMN

The choir sings

O Thou who camest from above
the fire celestial to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up the gift in me.

Still let me prove thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat;
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)
Tune: Hereford

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Bishop Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness
we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Bishop Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness
we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Bishop sings the Sursum corda and the Preface. The choir responds on behalf of the congregation

Bishop The Lord be with you.

Choir **And also with you.**

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

Choir **We lift them to the Lord.**

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Choir **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Bishop 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 within the royal Priesthood of your Church
you ordain ministers to proclaim the word of God,
to care for your people
and to celebrate the sacraments of the new covenant.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

Choir *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 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.

All Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

Bishop 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Alfège, Peter, Paul 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bishop As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

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.**

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

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Bishop breaks the consecrated bread

Bishop We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI

The choir sings

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Bishop Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy are they who are called to his supper.
All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Please respond as the Bishop makes his communion

Bishop The Body of Christ.
All Amen.
Bishop The Blood of Christ.
All Amen.

The people receive Communion silently and in one kind only. Baptised Christians of all denominations, if they normally receive Communion in their own Churches, are welcome to receive Communion. If you would prefer a blessing please come forward keeping your hands at your side or folded in front of you. Please ask if you require a gluten-free wafer

COMMUNION ANTHEM

*O sacrum convivium in quo Christus sumitur.
Recolitur memoria passionis eius,
mens impletur gratia:
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.*

O sacred feast in which we share in Christ.
We recall the memory of his passion;
our minds are filled with grace,
and we receive the pledge of glory still to come.

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand

Bishop Heavenly Father,
whose ascended Son
gave gifts of leadership and service to the Church:
strengthen us who have received this holy food
to be good stewards of your manifold grace,
through him who came not to be served but to serve,
and to give up his life as a ransom for many,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

BLESSING

Bishop The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

Bishop The God of all grace,
who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,
establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

DISMISSAL

Bishop Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.
All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The choir sings

We have a Gospel to proclaim,
good news for all throughout the earth;
the gospel of a Saviour's name:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem
not in a royal house or hall
but in a stable dark and dim,
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary,
hated by those he came to save,
in lonely suffering on the cross;
for all he loved his life he gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
empty the tomb, for he was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
that we might share his victory.

Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
by all creation glorified.
He sends his Spirit on his church
to live for him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel-message we proclaim:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

*Words: Edward J Burns (b.1938)
Tune: Fulda*

Organ Voluntary: Pièce d'Orgue (Fantasia in G Major) (BWV 572) - J. S. Bach

The proceeds of our **retiring collection** tonight will be donated to the Bishop of Southwark's Lent Fund, which this year supports projects in our link dioceses in Zimbabwe and the Diocese of Jerusalem and local foodbanks. You can make your offering with cash or via a contactless card reader as you leave church. More information and how to donate is available at southwark.anglican.org/lentcall

Please leave the church by the west door

You are warmly invited to our Holy Week services:

Palm Sunday 28th March In Church with Zoom	10am - Palm Sunday Eucharist with distribution of Palms and reading of the Passion Narrative
Monday 29th March Zoom	8pm - Holy Week Compline – Led by the Revd Simon Winn
Tuesday 30th March Zoom	8pm - Holy Week Compline – Led by the Revd Pat Mann
Wednesday 31st March Zoom	8pm - Holy Week Compline – Led by the Revd Caroline Risdon
Maundy Thursday 1st April In Church with Zoom	8pm - Holy Communion with stripping of the altar 9pm - Vigil until midnight
Good Friday 2nd April In Church with Zoom	10am - Family service 1pm - The Watch- a service of quiet, music and readings based on 'The Nail' by Archbishop Stephen Cottrell
Easter Sunday 4th April In Church with Zoom	8am - Holy Communion (BCP) 10am - Holy Communion with lighting of the Easter Candle and Easter egg distribution

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