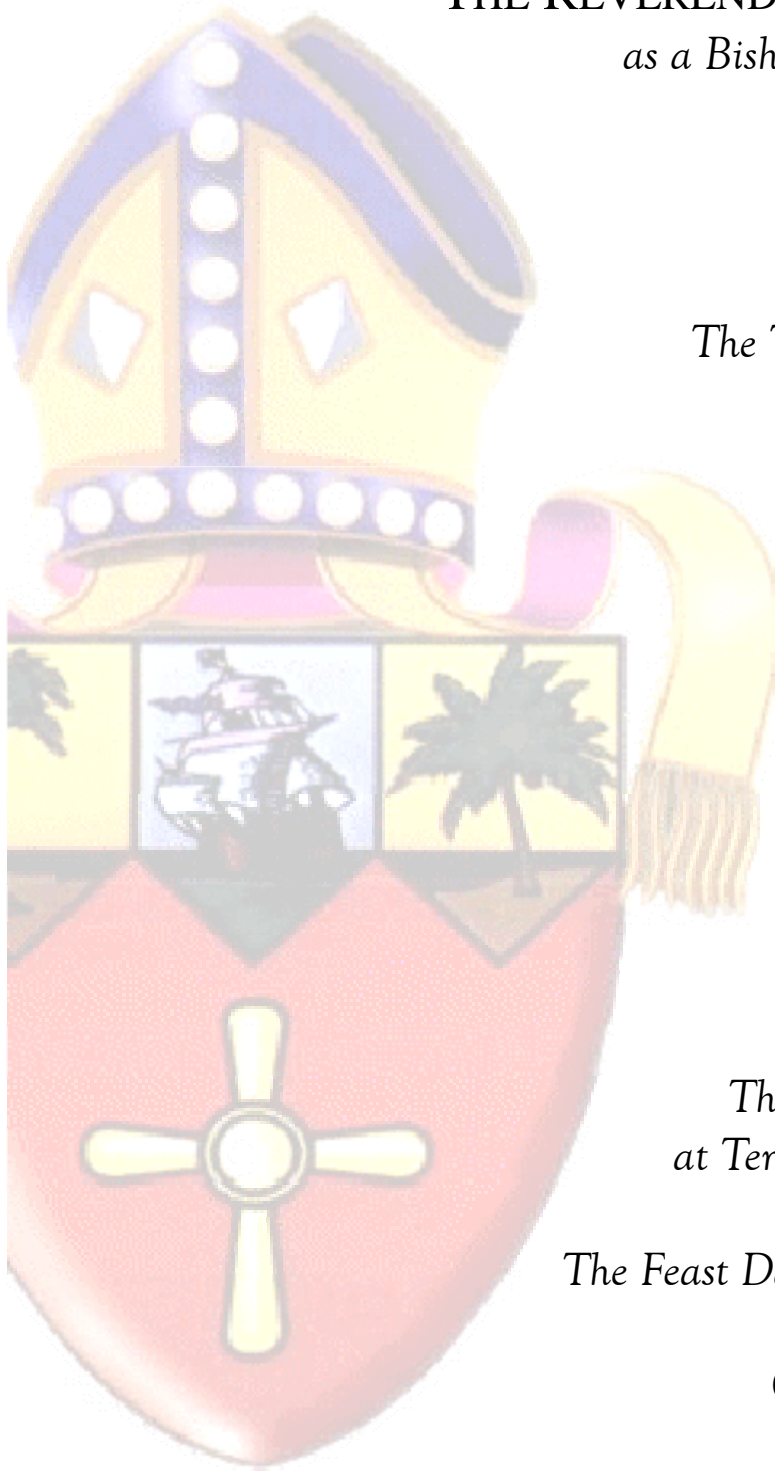


The Ordination and Consecration of
THE REVEREND LAISH ZANE BOYD
*as a Bishop in the Church of God
and Bishop Coadjutor
of the Diocese of
The Bahamas
&
The Turks and Caicos Islands*



*Thursday, 29th June, 2006
at Ten O'clock in the morning
being
The Feast Day of St. Peter & St. Paul*

*Christ Church Cathedral
George Street
Nassau, The Bahamas.*

Reverend Fr. Laish Zane Boyd



“For you I am a Bishop, but with you I am a Christian;
One is an office, accepted; the other a gift, received.
If I am happier by far to be redeemed with you
Than to be placed over you,
then I shall, as the Lord commanded,
be more completely your servant.
ST. AUGUSTINE (AD 354-430)

(initial address to the eleven clergy of Hippo)



PREFACE to the ORDINATION RITES

The Holy Scriptures and ancient Christian writers make it clear that from the apostle's time, there have been different ministries within the Church. In particular, since the time of the New Testament, three distinct orders of ordained ministries have been characteristic of Christ's holy Catholic Church. First, there is the order of Bishops who carry on the apostolic work of leading, supervising, and uniting the Church. Secondly, associated with them are the presbyters, or ordained elders, in subsequent times generally known as priests. Together with the Bishops, they take part in the governance of the Church, in carrying out its missionary and pastoral work, and in the preaching of the Word of God and administering His holy sacraments. Thirdly, there are deacons who assist Bishops and Priests in all of this work. It is also a special responsibility of deacons to minister in Christ's name to the poor, the sick, the suffering and the helpless.

The persons who are chosen and recognized by the Church as being called by God to the ordained ministry are admitted to these sacred orders by solemn prayer and the laying on of Episcopal hands. It has been, and is, the intention and purpose of this Church to maintain and continue these three orders; and for this purpose these services of ordination and consecration are appointed. No persons are allowed to exercise the offices of bishop, priest or deacon unless they are so ordained, or have received such ordination with the laying on of hands by bishops who are themselves duly qualified to confer Holy Orders.



(taken from the consecration booklet of the
Rt. Reverend George Councill, Bishop of The Diocese of New Jersey)



THE BISHOPS OF THE DIOCESE OF
THE BAHAMAS & THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

*Christopher Lipscombe 1826-1843

*Aubrey Spencer, 1843-1854

*Reginald Spencer, 1856-1872 (Bishop Coadjutor)

Reginald Courtney, 1872-1879

Dr. Charles Caulified, 1862-1862

Addington R. P. Veneables, 1863-1875

Francis A. C. Roberts, 1875–1885

Edward Churton, 1886-1900

Henry N. Churton, 1902-1904

Dr. Wilfed Hornby, 1905-1918

Roscow Shedden, 1919-1931

The John Daughlish, 1932-1942

Spence Burton, S.S.J.E. 1942-1961

Bernard Markham, 1962-1972

Michael H. Eldon, 1972-1996

Drexel W. Gomez, 1995–

Gilbert A. Thompson, 2000–

Laish Z. Boyd 2006–

** Bishops of the Diocese of Jamaica of which
The Bahamas & The Turks and Caicos Islands was a part.*

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

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Archbishop of the Province of the West Indies
Bishop of The Diocese of The Bahamas and the Turks and Caicos Islands

PREACHER

The Rt. Reverend. Dr. The Honourable John Holder
Bishop of the Diocese of Barbados

THE BISHOP COADJUTOR ELECT

The Reverend Laish Z. Boyd

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Retired Bishop, Diocese of Jamaica

The Rt. Reverend Clive Abdulah, Retired Bishop
Diocese of Trinidad & Tobago

The Rt. Reverend Gilbert A. Thompson, Retired Bishop
Diocese of The Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands

The Rt. Reverend Robert Thompson
Bishop Suffragan of Kingston
Diocese of Jamaica and The Cayman Islands

The Rt. Reverend Dr. Howard Gregory
Bishop Suffragan of Montego Bay
Diocese of Jamaica and The Cayman Islands

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Bishop Suffragan of Mandeville
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The Rt. Reverend Philip Wright
Bishop of the Diocese of Belize

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Bishop of the Diocese of Trinidad and Tobago

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Bishop of the Diocese of Jamaica and The Cayman Islands

The Rt. Reverend Dr. The Honourable John Holder
Bishop of the Diocese of Barbados

The Rt. Reverend Errol Brooks
Bishop of the Diocese of North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba (NECA)

LITANIST

The Reverend Crosley Walkine
Rector, St. Anne's Parish, Fox Hill

CANON MASTER OF CEREMONIES
The Reverend Canon Leopold Cox

THE REGISTRAR
Mr. Bernard Turner

THE CHANCELLOR
Mrs. Ruby Nottage

READERS

Mrs. Angela George
Mrs. Joann Boyd

ATTENDING PRESBYTERS

Reverend Fr. Atma Budu
Reverend Fr. Samuel Sturup

PRESENTERS

The Rt. Reverend Dr. The Honourable John Holder
Reverend Fr. Atma Budu
Reverend Fr. Samuel Sturup
Mr. Harold Cole, *Godfather of the Bishop-elect*
Mrs. Madline Thompson, *Godmother of the Bishop-elect*
Mrs. Elaine Clarke, *Sister-in-law of the Bishop-elect*
Ms. Colleen Boyd, *Sister of the Bishop-elect*
Mr. Winston Clarke, *Member of Holy Cross Parish*
Mrs. Eva Hilton, *Member of Holy Cross Parish*

ELEMENT BEARERS

Master Nathan Boyd, *Son of the Bishop-elect*
Mrs. Evelyn Boyd Alfred, *Sister of the Bishop-elect*
Mr. Godfrey Burnside, Sr., *Brother-in-law of the Bishop-elect*

SERVERS OF THE GUILD OF ST. AMBROSE

Boat Bearer	-	Joash Boyd
Thurifer	-	Laish Boyd, Jr.
Crucifer	-	Robert Walkine
Acolytes	-	Anson Gill & Scott Jupp
2 nd MC	-	Laurena Finlayson
2 nd Crucifer	-	Timothy Lowe
2 nd Acolytes	-	Gerrard Hepburn & Chitan Thompson

ATTENDANTS TO THE ARCHBISHOP Alvardo Adderley & Jermaine Wallace

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

CIBORIA

Sanctuary
Fr. Dwight Bowe
Fr. Andrew Toppin

Stations

Fr. Jonathan Archer
Fr. Bernard Been
Fr. Chester Burton
Fr. Don Haynes
Fr. Dwight Rolle

CHALICES (LAY BEARERS)

Sanctuary
Darnell Adderley
Robert Bartlett
Janet Sargent
Raymond Carroll

Stations

Daphne Clarke
Elaine Deveaux
Patrick Edwards
Leo Foulkes
Arthur Hamilton
Carolyn Hanna
Jose Roberts
Arthur Sherman III
Arthur Taylor
Tarran Taylor

COORDINATOR OF MUSIC The Reverend Fr. Crosley Walkine

ORGANISTS

Preston Ferguson Dr. Sparkman Ferguson Jeffrey Sturup

CHOIR

A Combined Choir consisting of members of the Senior Choir of Holy Cross
and persons from the other parishes in New Providence

SOLOIST

Tivona Chandler

ACCOMPANIST

Glen Clarke

BRASS MUSICIANS

Members of the Royal Bahamas Police Force Band

USHERS

Terry Archer
Keith Sands
Tiffany Gaitor
Rudy Stubbs
Shirley Pearson
Troy Ward

Pandora Sawyer
Sandra Collie
Philip Stubbs
Ralston Major
Priscilla Williams

Marsha Bain
Christopher Smith
Chris Gibson
Agatha Watson
Beulah Robinson



Prior to the commencement of the service the Cathedral bell sounds to signal the arrival of :

*Mr. Hartley Coalbrooke, Permanent Secretary
Official Representative of the Governor of The Turks & Caicos Islands*

*The Rt. Honourable Perry G. Christie,
Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas*

*His Excellency the Honourable Arthur D. Hanna,
Governor General of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas*

They are received by the Very Reverend, The Dean

The people stand on each occasion.

*Members of the congregation are kindly requested to ensure that cell phones, pagers
and other electronic devices are switched off.*

MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE



As a prelude to the consecration service Mr. Jeffrey Sturrup plays:

Prelude and Fugue	<i>Dietrich Buxtehude, 1637-1707</i>
All My Hope On God Is Founded	<i>arr. Michael Burkhardt, b. 1955 based on MICHAEL by Herbert Howells, 1892-1983</i>
Prelude and Fugue in A Major BWV536	<i>Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750</i>
Glad Tidings	<i>Ruth Barrett Phelps, 1768-1861</i>
A Festival Voluntary	<i>Flor Peters, 1903-1983</i>
A Festival Flourish	<i>Gordon Jacobs</i>
Rejoice! Rejoice Believers	<i>arr. Michael Burkhardt, b. 1955 based on "Trones Lampa Farding (A Swedish Melody)</i>
Voluntary in D	<i>Sir George Dyson, 1883-1964</i>
Epilogue	<i>Norman Gilbert</i>
I Love To Tell The Story	<i>arr. Michael Burkhardt, b. 1955 based on HANKEY by William Fisher, 1834-1911</i>
Entree Pontificale	<i>Enrico Bossi, 1861-1925</i>

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

At 9:45 am the liturgical procession is formed at the Cathedral Parish Hall, George Street South.

At 9:55 am the Cathedral Chapter, the Bishop-elect and members of the House of Bishops of the Province of The West Indies emerge from the Chapter room to join the procession.

At 10 a.m. the Cathedral bell sounds and the procession into the Cathedral begins. The procession enters from the west door. All stand and sing the processional hymns found on the pages following

THE PROCESSION

A Boat Bearer & Thurifer

A Crucifer and the First Acolytes

Members of the Guild of St. Ambrose

Lay Readers

Seminarians

Ecumenical Clergy

Visiting Clergy

The Deacons of the Diocese

The Priests of the Diocese

The Archdeacons

The Cathedral Chapter

The Very Reverend, The Dean

The second Crucifer

The 2nd Master of Ceremonies

The Second Acolytes

The Attending Presbyters

The Bishop Coadjutor Elect

The House of Bishops of the Province of the West Indies

The Canon Master of Ceremonies

The Primate Cross of The West Indies

His Grace, The Archbishop of The West Indies

PRAISE TO THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY THE KING OF CREATION

PRAISE to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:
Hast thou not seen how thy hearts wishes have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If to the end He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,
Biddeth them cease,
Turneth their fury to peace,
Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
Sheddeth His light,
Chaseth the horrors of night,
Saints with his mercy surrounding.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again:
Gladly for ay we adore Him.

*Words: Joachin Neader, translated by Catherine Winkworth, 1863.
Music: "Lobe den Herren," harmony by William S. Bennett, 1864*



PRAISE TO THE HOLIEST IN THE HEIGHT

PRAISE to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all His words most wonderful,
Most sure in all His ways.

And that a higher gift than grace
Should flesh and blood refine:
God's Presence and His very Self,
And Essence all-divine.

O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came.

O generous love! that He, who smote
In Man for man the foe,
The double agony in Man
For man should undergo;

O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against the foe,
Should strive, and should prevail;

And in the garden secretly,
And on the Cross on high,
Should teach His brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all His words most wonderful,
Most sure in all His ways!

*Words: John H. Newman, , "The Dream of Gerontius," 1865
Music: "Gerontius," John B. Dykes in Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1868*

*The People remain standing while the Altar is revered and censed.
The congregation sings the introit hymn:*

MY GOD, HOW WONDERFUL THOU ART

MY God, how wonderful Thou art,
Thy majesty how bright,
How beautiful Thy mercy-seat,
In depths of burning light!

Oh how I fear Thee, Living God,
With deepest, tenderest fears,
And worship Thee with trembling hope
And penitential tears!

How dread are Thine eternal years,
O everlasting Lord,
By prostrate spirits day and night
Incessantly adored!

Yet I may love Thee too, O Lord,
Almighty as Thou art,
For Thou hast stoop'd to ask of me
The love of my poor heart.

How wonderful, how beautiful,
The sight of Thee must be,
Thine endless wisdom, boundless power,
And awful purity!

No earthly father loves like Thee,
No mother, e'er so mild,
Bears and forbears as Thou hast done
With me Thy sinful child.

Father of Jesus, love's reward,
What rapture will it be,
Prostrate before Thy Throne to lie,
And gaze and gaze on Thee.

*Words: Frederick W. Faber, 1849.
Music: Westminster, James Turtle 1802-1882*

The Archbishop says

“Whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”

To God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People

From generation, to generation for ever. Amen. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

The Eucharist is sung to a setting by Timothy A. Gibson

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One; you alone are the Lord: you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Archbishop intones:

The Lord be with you

People

And also with you

The Archbishop

Let us pray

The Archbishop intones the collect for the Consecration of Bishops

Eternal Father, through your Holy Spirit you have appointed many ministries in the Church: Bless your servant LAISH now called to be a bishop; maintain him in your truth; renew him in your holiness; and make him your ever-faithful servant; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

Amen.

The Archbishop intones the collect for the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you by their martyrdom: Grant that your Church, instructed by their teaching and example, and knit together in unity by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, which is Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*The Old Testament Lesson, from the book of Isaiah, is read by the sister of the Bishop-elect,
Mrs. Angela George*

ISAIAH 42: 1-9

The reader says

A reading from the Book of Isaiah, Chapter 42, verses 1-9

BEHOLD my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him, he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not fail or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread forth the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: "I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to graven images. Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

The reader says

The Word of the Lord

People

Thanks be to God

The congregation remains seated. The choir leads the singing of Psalm 23 Chant by Charles Villers Stanford

PSALM 23 DOMINUS REGIT ME

1. The Lord is my shepherd; * I shall not be in want.
 2. He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.
 3. He revives my soul * and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.
 4. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
 5. You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; * you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
 6. Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, * and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; * as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.

The New Testament Lesson is taken from the 2nd Book of the Epistle to the Corinthians and is read by the wife of the Bishop-elect, Mrs. Joann Boyd.

2ND CORINTHIANS 4: 1-10

The Reader says

A reading from the 2nd Corinthians, Chapter 4: verses 1-10

THEREFORE, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies.

The Reader says

The Word of the Lord

People

Thanks be to God

The congregation stands in preparation for proclamation of the Holy Gospel.

The Gradual Hymn is sung

THROUGH ALL THE CHANGING SCENES OF LIFE

THROUGH all the changing scenes of Life
In trouble and in joy
The Praises of my God shall still
My heart and tongue employ

O make but trial of His Love
Experience will decide
How bless'd are they, and only they,
Who in His truth confide.

O magnify the Lord with me
With me exalt His Name
When in distress to Him I call'd
He to my rescue came.

Fear Him, ye saints, and you will then
Have nothing else to fear
Make you His service your delight
Your wants shall be His care.

The Hosts of God encamp around
The dwellings of the just;
Deliverance He affords to all
Who on his succor trust.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
The God whom we adore
Be glory as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

*Words: by Nahum Tate and Nicholas Brady, 1698
Music: Witshire by George Smart 1776-1867*

*Then, all standing, the Rt. Rev'd Leopold Friday, Bishop of the Windward Islands,
sings the Gospel, first intoning*

The Lord be with you

People

And also with you

Bishop Friday

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

People

Glory to Christ our Saviour

JOHN 10: 11-16

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired

hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

Bishop Friday

This is the Gospel of Christ

People

Praise to Christ our Lord

*The congregation remains standing and sings the hymn during which time the
The Rt. Reverend Dr. the Honourable John Holder is escorted to the pulpit to deliver the sermon.*

YE SERVANTS OF THE LORD

YE servants of the Lord,
Each in his office wait,
Observant of His heavenly Word,
And watchful at His gate.

Let all your lamps be bright,
And trim the golden flame,
Gird up your loins, as in His sight,
For awful is His Name.

Watch! 'tis your Lord's command,
And while we speak, He's near;
Mark the first signal of His Hand,
And ready all appear.

O happy servant he,
In such a posture found!
He shall His Lord with rapture see,
And be with honour crown'd.

Christ shall the banquet spread
With His own royal Hand,
And raise that faithful servant's head
Amid the Angelic band.

All glory, Lord, to Thee,
Whom Heav'n and earth adore,
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One God for evermore.

*Words: Phillip Doddridge by Job Or-ton (J. Ed-dowes and J. Cot-ton, 1755).
Music: "Na-ren-za," adapt-ed from the Ka-thol-ische Kirch-en-ge-sang (Köln, Ger-ma-ny: 1619)*

THE SERMON

The Sermon

The Rt. Reverend Dr. The Honourable John Holder
Bishop
The Diocese of Barbados

At the conclusion of the sermon the people stand and recite the Nicene Creed

WE believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen or 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, one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered, died and was buried. On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of 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 congregation remains standing and sings the hymn

O THOU WHO MAKEST SOULS TO SHINE

Meanwhile the Bishop-elect supported by the attending Presbyters and presenters move to the chancel steps for the presentation; the Archbishop and other Bishops having done so as well now face the people.

O THOU who makest souls to shine
With light from lighter worlds above,
And droppest glistening dew Divine
On all who seek a Saviour's love;

Do Thou Thy benediction give
On all who teach, on all who learn,
That so Thy Church may holier live,
And every lamp more brightly burn.

Give those, who teach, pure hearts and wise,
Faith, hope, and love, all warm'd by prayer;
Themselves first training for the skies,
They best will raise their people there.

Give those, who learn the willing ear,
The spirit meek, the guileless mind;
Such gifts will make the lowliest here
Far better than a kingdom find.

O bless the shepherd; bless the sheep;
That guide and guided both be one
One in the faithful watch they keep,
Until this hurrying life be done.

If thus, Good Lord, Thy grace be given,
In Thee to live, in Thee to die,
Before we upward pass to Heav'n
We taste our immortality.

*Words: John Armstrong, The Pastor in His Closet, 1847.
Music "St. Lawrence," Leighton G. Hayne, 1863*



THE PRESENTATION

The people sit.

The attending Presbyters and representatives of the Province and the Diocese, along with lay presenters, standing before the Archbishop, present the Bishop-elect saying

Reverend Father in God, we present LAISH to be ordained and consecrated to the office of bishop in the Church of God.

The Archbishop says

Let the authority for the Ordination be read.

The Provincial Chancellor reads the Mandate.

When the reading of the Mandate is complete the Archbishop requires the following promise and declaration to be made by the Bishop-elect.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit I, LAISH ZANE BOYD, chosen bishop of the Church and See of The Diocese of The Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands, 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; I do solemnly promise to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church in the Province of the West Indies; and I do pledge myself to render due obedience to the Archbishop of the West Indies; and to his successors. So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

The Congregation stands. The Archbishop then says the following words and asks the response of the people

Brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, you have heard testimony given that LAISH ZANE BOYD has been duly and lawfully elected to be a bishop of the Church of God to serve in the Diocese of The Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands. You have been assured of his suitability and the Church has approved him for this sacred responsibility. Nevertheless, if any of you know any reason why we should not proceed, let it now be made known.

If no objection is made, the Archbishop continues

Is it your will that we ordain Laish a Bishop?

People

That is our will

Archbishop

Will you uphold Laish as a Bishop?

People
We will

The people sit

The Archbishop delivers the charge to the Bishop-elect

THE CHARGE & EXAMINATION

My brother LAISH, a bishop is called to lead in serving and caring for the people of God and to work with them in overseeing of the Church, promoting its mission, proclaiming Christ's death and resurrection and working for justice and truth in the world.

As Pastor you will share with your fellow Bishops a special responsibility to maintain and further the unity of the Church, to uphold its discipline, and to guard its faith. It will be your duty to watch over and pray for all those committed to your care, and to teach them, speaking in the name of God and interpreting the gospel of Christ; to govern the Church after the example of the Apostles; to know your people and be known by them; to celebrate and to provide for the administration of the Sacraments of the New Covenant; to ordain priests and deacons, and to join in ordaining bishops; to guide those who serve with you and enable them to fulfill their ministry; and to be in all things a faithful pastor and wholesome example for the entire flock of Christ.

The Archbishop continues the examination.

In order that we may know your mind and purpose, and that you may be strengthened in your resolve to fulfill your ministry, you must answer the questions we now put to you.

Do you believe that God has called you to the office of a bishop in His Church?

The Bishop-elect responds
I believe that God has called me.

The Rt. Reverend Gilbert Thompson, Bishop Suffragan of New Providence, The Bahamas says
Will you accept this call and fulfill this trust in obedience to Christ?

The Bishop-elect responds
I will obey Christ, and will serve in His name.

The Rt. Reverend Robert Thompson, Bishop Suffragan of Kingston, Jamaica says
Do you accept the holy Scriptures as uniquely revealing the word of God and containing all things necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ?

The Bishop-elect responds
I do so accept them

The Rt. Reverend Howard Gregory, Bishop Suffragan of Montego Bay, Jamaica says

Will you teach and proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom of God inaugurated by Jesus, and declare its meaning to the world?

The Bishop-elect responds

By the help of God, I will

Will you devote yourself to prayer, to reading the Holy Scriptures, and to such studies as may deepen your faith and increase your love, reverence and service of God

The Bishop-elect responds

By the help of God, I will

The Rt. Reverend Leopold Friday, Bishop of the Windward Island says

Do you believe the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ as taught in the holy scriptures, held by the undivided Church and declared in the Catholic creeds?

The Bishop-elect responds

I do

Bishop Philip Wright, Bishop of Belize says

Will you accept the discipline of this Church and faithfully exercise authority within it?

The Bishop-elect responds

By the help of God, I will

The Rt. Reverend Calvin Bess, Bishop of Trinidad and Tobago says

Will you be faithful in ordaining and commissioning those whom you believe God has called; will you share with your fellow bishops in the government of the whole church; will you sustain your fellow presbyters and take counsel with them; will you guide and strengthen the deacons and all who minister in the church?

The Bishop-elect responds

By the help of God, I will

The Rt. Reverend Alfred Reid, Bishop of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands says

Will you strive to fashion your own life and that of your family or household according to the way of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to all people?

The Bishop-elect responds

By the help of God, I will

The Rt. Reverend John Holder, Bishop of Barbados says

Will you promote unity, peace, justice and love among all people, and especially those whom you serve?

The Bishop-elect responds

By the help of God, I will

The Rt. Errol Brooks, Bishop of North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba says

Will you for Christ's sake, be merciful to all persons, especially the needy and the outcast, and defend those who have no helper?

The Bishop-elect responds

By the help of God, I will

The Archbishop concludes the examination with these words

Almighty God, who gives you the will to do all these things, grant you grace and power to perform them, that He may complete the good work He has begun in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE LITANY FOR ORDINATIONS

The Archbishop exhorts the congregation to prayer with these words

The Scriptures tell us that our Saviour Christ spent the whole night in prayer before He chose and sent forth His twelve apostles. Likewise, the apostles prayed before they appointed Matthias to be one of their number. Let us, therefore, follow their examples, and offer our prayers to Almighty God before we ordain Laish for the work to which we trust the Holy Spirit has called him.

The congregation kneels. While the The Bishop-elect lies prostrate on the Cathedral floor, the litany is led by the Reverend Crosley Walkine; the people respond as indicated by italics.

God the Father,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son,
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,
Have mercy on us.

We pray to you, Lord Christ,
Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For Drexel, our Archbishop 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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Archbishop intones

For LAISH, chosen Bishop in your church, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Archbishop intones

That he may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your name, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Archbishop intones

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

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Litanist continues

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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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

Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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

To you, O Lord.

The Archbishop concludes the litany and intones

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.

The Archbishop

I now commend our brother Laish to your prayers while we keep silence.

The Rt. Reverend Gilbert Thompson leads the singing of the Veni Creator Spiritus. The people respond as indicated by italics. The Bishop-elect lies prostrate on the floor of the Cathedral.

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,

And lighten with celestial fire;

Thou the anointing Spirit art,

Who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart:

Thy blessed unction from above

Is comfort, life, and fire of love;

Enable with perpetual light

The dullness of our blinded sight:

Anoint and cheer our soiled face

With the abundance of Thy grace:

Keep far our foes, give peace at home;

Where Thou art Guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,

And Thee, of Both, to be but One;

That through the ages all along

This may be our endless song,

Praise to Thy eternal merit

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

THE CONSECRATION OF THE BISHOP

The Bishop-elect rises and kneels before the Archbishop.

The Archbishop stands, and, supported by his brother Bishops, extends his hands over the Bishop-elect and begins the prayer of Consecration.

We praise and glorify you, Almighty Father, because you have formed throughout the world a holy people for your own possession, a royal priesthood, a universal Church.

We praise and glorify you because you have given us your only Son Jesus Christ to be the Apostle and High Priest of our faith, and the Shepherd of our souls.

We praise and glorify you that by His death He has overcome death; and that, having ascended into heaven, He has given His gifts abundantly to your people, making some, apostles; some, prophets; some, evangelists; some, pastors and teachers; to equip them for the work of ministry and to build up His body.

And now we give you thanks that you have called this your servant, whom we consecrate in your Name, to share this ministry entrusted to your Church.

The Archbishop and other bishops now lay their hands upon the head of the Bishop-elect, and say

SEND DOWN YOUR HOLY SPIRIT UPON YOUR SERVANT LAISH, WHOM WE CONSECRATE IN YOUR NAME TO THE OFFICE OF A BISHOP IN THE CHURCH.

The Archbishop continues

Almighty Father, fill this your servant, with the grace and power which you gave to your apostles; that he may lead those committed to his charge in proclaiming the gospel of salvation. Through him increase your Church, renew its ministry, and unite its members in a holy fellowship of truth and love. Enable him as a true shepherd to feed and govern your flock; make him wise as a teacher, and steadfast as a guardian of the faith and sacraments. Guide and direct him in presiding at the worship of your people. Give him humility that he may use his authority to heal, not to hurt; to build up, not to destroy. Deliver him from all evil, that, as a ruler over your household and an ambassador for Christ, he may stand before you blameless, and finally, with all your servants, enter your eternal joy.

Accept our prayers, most merciful Father, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever.

People:
Amen

The Archbishop addresses the new Bishop

LAISH, receive authority for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Remember to stir up the grace of God which is within you, for God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

THE VESTING OF THE BISHOP

The new Bishop is now vested according to the order of Bishops

A Bible is presented by the Archbishop with these words

Receive the holy Scriptures. Guard the faith of the Church, and feed by the word and sacrament the flock of Christ committed to your care.

People

Amen.

THE ANOINTING

The Rt. Rev'd. Rawle Douglin, Retired Bishop of Trinidad and Tobago, brings the oil of Chrism from the Altar with which the Archbishop anoints the head of the new Bishop saying:

May Christ, the great High Priest, by this holy anointing pour on you the fullness of spiritual blessing.

People

Amen

THE PRESENTATION OF THE PECTORAL CROSS & BISHOP'S RING

The Pectoral Cross and Bishop's Ring are brought by The Rt. Reverend Clive Abdulah, Retired Bishop of Trinidad and Tobago and The Rt. Rev'd. Leopold Friday, Bishop of the Windward Islands, to the Archbishop who says a prayer of blessing over them.

The Archbishop then places the Pectoral Cross on the new Bishop saying:

Receive this Cross, the sign of Salvation, and may you never be ashamed to confess the Faith of Christ Crucified, Risen, Ascended and Glorified.

People:

Amen

The Archbishop presents the new Bishop with a Bishop's Ring saying:

Take this ring; be merciful in your exercise of authority, and be faithful to the bride of Christ.

People:
Amen

THE PRESENTATION OF THE BISHOP'S MITRE

The Rt. Rev'd. Errol Brooks, Bishop of North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba will bring the Mitre which the Archbishop places on the Head of the new Bishop saying:

Receive this Mitre the reminder of Pentecostal Fire and the Sign of the Helmet of Salvation and may your thinking and work for the Church of God be inspired by the Holy Spirit.

People:
Amen

THE PRESENTATION OF THE PASTORAL STAFF

The Rt. Reverend Alfred Reid, Bishop of Jamaica and The Cayman Islands brings the Pastoral Staff The Archbishop blesses it saying:

O God the protector of all that trust in You, Vouchsafe to bless this Pastoral Staff and grant what it signifies to us may be fulfilled by him who bears it, to Your honour and glory, and for the benefit of Your Holy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People:
Amen

The Archbishop presents the new Bishop with a pastoral staff, saying:

Receive this staff as a sign of your pastoral office; keep watch over the whole flock in which the Holy Spirit has appointed you to shepherd the Church of God. Encourage the faithful, restore the lost, build up the Body of Christ; that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, you may receive the unfading crown of glory.

People:
Amen

PRESENTATION TO THE PEOPLE OF GOD

The new Bishop rises, turns and faces the people.

The Archbishop presents the new Bishop to the people saying:

My Sisters and Brothers in Christ, I present LAISH, Bishop in the Church of God.

Trumpeters from the organ loft sound a fanfare. The clergy and people express their joy by applause or in some other manner while the choir sounds the "A choral fanfare" by G.F. Handel

THE PEACE

Bishop Boyd then says

Jesus said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you."
The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

The Greeting of Peace is exchanged between members of the congregation

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST



THE OFFERTORY

As the deacons prepare the table the people's offering is taken, during which time the hymns are sung.

IMMORTAL INVISIBLE GOD ONLY WISE

IMMORTAL, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might,
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish, but nought changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render; O help us to see
Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

*Words: W. Chalmers Smith, 1824-1908
Music: ST. DENO – Welsh Hymn Melody*

OH WHAT IF WE ARE CHRIST'S

OH! What, if we are Christ's,
Is earthly shame or loss?
Bright shall the crown of glory be
When we have borne the cross.

Lord, may that grace be ours,
Like them in faith to bear
All that of sorrow, grief, or pain,
May be our portion here;

Keen was the trial once,
Bitter the cup of woe,
When martyr'd Saints, baptized in blood,
Christ's sufferings shared below:

Enough if Thou at last
The word of blessing give,
And let us rest beneath Thy feet,
Where Saints and Angels live.

Bright is their glory now,
Boundless their joy above,
Where, on the bosom of their God,
They rest in perfect love.

All glory, Lord, to Thee,
Whom Heav'n and earth adore;
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One God for evermore.

*Words: Henry Baker, in Murray's Hymnal for the Use of the English Church, 1852.
Music: "St. Michael," melody by Louis Bourgeois in the French Genevan Psalter, 1551*

Representatives bring the people's offering of bread, wine and money to the Altar. -

The Archbishop leads the Offertory Prayer.

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The people remain standing while the third offertory hymn is sung

HOW BRIGHT THESE GLORIOUS SPIRITS SHINE

How bright these glorious spirits shine
Whence all their white array?
How came they to the blissful seats
Of everlasting day?

Hunger and thirst are felt no more
Nor suns with scorching ray;
God is their Sun, Whose cheering beams
Diffuse eternal day.

Lo! these are they from sufferings great
Who came to realms of light;
And in the blood of Christ have wash'd
Those robes that shine so bright.

The Lamb, which dwells amidst the Throne
Shall o'er them still preside,
Feed them with nourishment Divine
And all their footsteps guide.

Now with triumphal psalms they stand
Before the throne on high,
And serve the God they love amidst
The glories of the sky.

Midst pastures green He'll lead His flock
Where living streams appear;
And God the Lord from every eye
Shall wipe off every tear.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
The God Whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

*Words: L. Watts and W. Cameron, 1707
Music: BROMSGROVE – Collins, 1789*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing. The Archbishop, the new Bishop and other Bishops celebrating the Mass go to the Altar. The Sursum Corda is intoned.

THE SURSUM CORDA

The Archbishop
The Lord be with you

People
And also with you

The Archbishop
Lift up your hearts

People:
We lift them up to the Lord

The Archbishop
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Archbishop continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God: Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after His resurrection sent forth His apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The people sing the Sanctus

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.

The other Bishops join the Archbishop in the Eucharistic Prayers

All Holy and glorious Father, our Creator God, we give you thanks because in your loving wisdom you brought all things into being, and are truly worthy of praise from every creature you have made.

Again and again we have turned away from you; yet in every age your steadfast love has called us to return, to live in union with you: for it is your eternal purpose to put new life into all things and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ who took our human nature upon Him you have redeemed the world from the bondage of sin: and by the power of your Holy Spirit you have gathered a people to yourself, to make known in every place His perfect offering which He made to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; And grant that these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "TAKE THIS, AND EAT IT: 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."

The Archbishop alone intones

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith

The people respond

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The concelebrants continue

And so, Heavenly Father, rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation; His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice made once for all upon the Cross; His Mighty Resurrection from the dead; His Glorious Ascension into heaven; and looking for His Coming in glory; we offer to you this Bread and this Cup

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood, of your Son, our great High Priest, may be renewed by your Holy Spirit, and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us. Unite us with all Bishops, all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments, and with the whole people of God, living and departed, whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness, that we may be found ready to join the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Peter and St. Paul, the Holy Apostles, and all your saints, when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again: Forever giving you thanks and praise through Him from whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

People

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Archbishop says

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

The People say the Lord's Prayer

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 forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Archbishop says

God of promise, You have prepared a Banquet for us.

People

Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The Archbishop says

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

People

Grant gracious Lord, that we so eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, and drink His blood, that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us. Amen

The people sing the Agnus Dei

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.

Communion stations will be set up throughout the Cathedral. Please follow the directions of the ushers for the station nearest you. During the ministration of communion the choir sings the anthem

VERY BREAD, GOOD SHEPHERD, TEND US

Very Bread, good Shepherd, tend us, Jesus of Thy love befriend us,
Thou refresh us, thou defend us, Thine eternal goodness send us.
In the land of life to see; Thou, who all things canst and knowest,
Who on earth such food bestowest,
Grant us with thy saints, though lowest,
Where the heav'nly feast thou showest
Fellow heirs and guests to be.

Communion Motet – words by St. Thomas Aquinas (1263) / Music: Charles L. Talmadge

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

ALLELUIA! sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, His the Throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
Hath redeem'd us by His Blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how:
Though the cloud from sight received Him,
When the forty days were o'er
Shall our hearts forget His promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia, Bread of Angels,
Thou on earth our Food, our Stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
Flee to Thee from day to day;
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King Eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
Earth Thy footstool, Heav'n Thy Throne,
Thou within the veil has enter'd,
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
In the Eucharistic Feast.

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
His the Sceptre, His the Throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
Hath redeem'd us by His Blood

*Words: William C. Dix, Al-tar Songs, Verses on the Holy Eucharist, 1867.
"Alleluia (Wesley)," Samuel S. Wesley, in the European Psalmist, 1872*

AND NOW, O FATHER, MINDFUL OF THE LOVE

AND now, O Father, mindful of the love
That bought us, once for all, on Calvary's Tree,
And having with us Him that pleads above,
We here present, we here spread forth to Thee
That only Offering perfect in Thine eyes,
The one true, pure, immortal Sacrifice.

Look, Father, look on His anointed Face,
And only look on us as found in Him;
Look not on our misusings of Thy grace,
Our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
For lo! between our sins and their reward
We set the Passion of Thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best,
By this prevailing Presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to Thy mercy's breast,
O do Thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
From tainting mischief keep them white and clear,
And crown Thy gifts with strength to persevere.

And so we come; O draw us to Thy Feet,
Most patient Saviour, Who canst love us still;
And by this Food, so awful and so sweet,
Deliver us from every touch of ill:
In Thine own service make us glad and free,
And grant us never more to part with Thee.

*Words: William Bright, 1874.
"Song 24 (Gibbons)," Orlando Gibbons, 1623*

O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

O GOD, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home;

Beneath the shadow of Thy Throne
Thy Saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine Arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received her frame;
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the Same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

*Words: I. Watts, 1719
Music, ST ANNE, W Croft, 1708*

Solo Miss Tivona Chandler "All that I have" - Phebe Hines

POST COMMUNION

At the conclusion of the Communion, the Archbishop leads the post communion prayer

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to You, and to the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Episcopal blessing follows: The new Bishop intones and the people respond as indicated.

Bishop Boyd
Our help is in the name of the Lord

People
The maker of heaven and earth

Bishop Boyd

Blessed be the name of the Lord

People

From this time forth and for evermore

Bishop Boyd sings:

Almighty God, who for the salvation of mankind gives to His people many gifts and ministries to the advancement of His glory, stir up in you the gifts of His grace, sustain each one of you in your own ministry; and the Blessing of God Almighty, + THE FATHER, + THE SON and + THE HOLY SPIRIT, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People

Amen.

A deacon dismisses the people

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People

In the name of Christ. Amen.

The service concludes with the singing of the Recessional Hymns.

As the procession departs the Cathedral, the Archbishop presents the new Bishop, by the hand, to the congregation in the customary manner

LIGHT'S ABODE, CELESTIAL SALEM

Lights abide, celestial Salem,
Vision whence true peace doth spring,
Brighter than the heart can fancy,
Mansion of the Highest King;
Oh, how glorious are the praises
Which of thee the prophets sing!

There for ever and for ever
Alleluia is outpour'd;
For unending, for unbroken
Is the feast-day of the Lord;
All is pure and all is holy
That within thy walls is stored.

There no cloud nor passing vapor
Dims the brightness of the air;
Endless noonday, glorious noonday,
From the Sun of suns is there;
There no night brings rest from labour,
For unknown are toil and care.

Oh how glorious and resplendent,
Fragile body, shalt thou be,
When endued with so much beauty,
Full of health, and strong, and free,
Full of vigour, full of pleasure
That shall last eternally!

Now with gladness, now with courage,
Bear the burden on thee laid,
That hereafter these thy labours
May with endless gifts be paid,
And in everlasting glory
Thou with brightness be arrayed.

Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
Consubstantial, Co-eternal,
While unending ages run.

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

ALL hail the power of Jesus' Name;
Let Angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all.

Crown Him, ye morning stars of light,
Who fix'd this floating ball;
Now hail the Strength of Israel's might,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Crown Him, ye Martyrs of your God,
Who from His Altar call;
Extol the Stem-of-Jesse's Rod,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransom'd of the fall,
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call,
The God Incarnate, Man Divine,
And 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 Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue
Before Him prostrate fall,
And shout in universal song
The crownéd Lord of all.

*Words: Edward Perronet
"Diadem," James Ellor, 1838*

*Members of the congregation are asked to remain in their places until the departure of
His Excellency, The Honourable Arthur D. Hanna
Governor General of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas;*

*The Rt. Honourable Perry G. Christie
Prime Minister of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas*

*His Excellency, Richard Tauwhare, MVO
Governor of the Turks and Caicos Islands*

Postlude

Postlude in D Major

Healey Willan

A short procession through the city streets follows the consecration service.

PROCESSION ROUTE

North on George Street to Bay Street
East on Bay Street to Parliament Street.
South on Parliament Street to Shirley Street
West on Shirley Street to the Cathedral Hall, George Street



THE VESTMENTS OF A BISHOP

THE PECTORAL CROSS. Attached to a chain which he wears around his neck is a cross of precious metal, which hangs on his breast, and thence derives its name, from the Latin *pectus*, the breast. This badge of the episcopacy came into use about the twelfth century. If a Bishop wears a clerical suit, the Pectoral Cross is placed in his shirt breast pocket, kept over his heart.

THE MITRE. Liturgical headgear and insignia of bishops and other prelates. It is typically worn by bishops in procession and when pronouncing Episcopal blessings. It is removed during prayer, including the Eucharistic Canon. The term is from the Greek for "turban." The mitre is shield-shaped and pointed at the top. It may be made of silk or linen and ornamented with gold embroidery. Two lappets (pendant bands or flaps) hang down the back of the mitre. It is often said to represent the tongues of fire that rested on the apostles at Pentecost (Acts 2). The mitre may be derived from the headgear of civil officials of the late Roman empire.

THE CROZIER. The pastoral staff of a bishop. It was originally a walking stick and later acquired the symbolism of a shepherd's crook. It is a sign of pastoral authority. It may also be carried by abbots and abbesses. In liturgy the diocesan bishop carries the crozier in the left hand, with the crook facing outward. Although the crozier was originally part of the insignia of all bishops, it is now used mainly by diocesans in their own jurisdictions. Its use dates from the seventh century. In the Eastern Orthodox Church the staff is surmounted by a cross between two serpents. A crozier is not the same as the archiepiscopal cross, carried before archbishops in procession.

THE RING. On the third finger of a bishop's right hand he wears a large ring -- a custom traceable to about the year 600. It was a signet ring originally, but is now considered as a symbol of faith or fidelity

THE ZUCHETTO: A skullcap worn by clerics. It is small, round, and its color may reflect the order of ministry of the wearer. It may be worn at the Eucharist, but it is removed during the Eucharistic Canon

LAISH ZANE BOYD

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Parents: The late Ruth C. Boyd (nee McNeil) and the late Wilton E. Boyd

Fr. Boyd grew up in St. Agnes Parish, New Providence.

EDUCATION:

Quarry Mission & Wilton Albury Primary Schools
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Government High School
St. Andrew's School.

1983: Graduated from King's College at Dalhousie University, Halifax with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Classics.

1986 Completed studies at Codrington Theological College, St. John, Barbados with a Bachelor of Arts in Theology from the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill campus.

CLERGY LIFE:

July 1986 Ordained Deacon in St. Agnes Church by the Right Rev. Michael H. Eldon.

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1986 – 1989 Curate at the Church of Christ The King, New Providence.

1989 – 1992 Rector of the Parish of Our Lady and St. Stephen, Bimini.

1992 – 1997 Priest Vicar at Christ Church Cathedral.

September 1st, 1997 Appointed Rector of Holy Cross Parish.

Since September 2002 he has served on the Board of Directors of Acts 29 Ministries, Atlanta, Georgia.

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