



**SERVICE OF
THANKSGIVING**
for the Platinum Jubilee of
Her Majesty The Queen



5.30pm
Thursday 2 June 2022
St Mary de Castro



Visitors are requested to note that the use of all audio and visual equipment is not permitted during worship. Thank you.

The music at this service is sung by the Boys, Junior Girls, Senior Girls and Songmen of the Cathedral Choir. The Organist is David Cowen. Before the service, the Organist plays

Crown Imperial

William Walton (1902–1983)

arr. Herbert Murrill (1909–1952)

Nimrod from Enigma Variations

Edward Elgar (1857–1934)

arr. William Henry Harris (1883–1973)

All stand. The Processions enter the Church

Processions

The Cathedral Choir

The Civic Procession

A Verger

Lord-Lieutenant's Cadets

The High Sheriff of Leicestershire

The Chairman of the County Council

The Mace Bearer

The Lord Mayor of Leicester

The Lord-Lieutenant of Leicestershire and Mrs Kapur

The Ecclesiastical Procession

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The Canon Precentor

Members of the Bishop's Leadership Team

Honorary Assistant Bishops

The Dean of Leicester

The Bishop of Loughborough

The Bishop of Leicester

The Bishop's Chaplain

ORDER OF SERVICE

All stand as the Choir, Civic Dignitaries and Ministers enter.

The Choir sings

The Introit **Zadok the Priest**

Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anointed Solomon King.
And all the people rejoiced and said: God save the King! Long live the
King! God save the King! May the King live for ever, amen, allelujah.

George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

1 Kings 1.39–40

All remain standing. The Very Revd David Monteith, Dean of Leicester, leads

The Introduction

O Lord, open our lips
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving power among the nations.

The Dean gives words of introduction and welcome then says

We gather together to worship God
and in thanksgiving for the seventy years of faithful service
of our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth.
We give thanks for her example of faithfulness
to God and to her people,
and pray God's blessing on her
that she may continue to fulfil the promises she has made
with generosity and joy.

All remain standing to sing

The Hymn

**All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him, and rejoice.**

**The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.**

**O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.**

**For why? The Lord our God is good;
his mercy is for ever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.**

**To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heaven and earth adore,
from men and from the angel-host
be praise and glory evermore.**

*OLD HUNDREDTH (AM357)
Genevan Psalter, 1551
arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)*

*William Kethe (d.1594)
Psalm 100 in Anglo-Genevan Psalter, 1560*

The First Reading

Proverbs 8.1–16

Read by Michael Kapur OBE, Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Leicestershire

The first reading is taken from the Book of Proverbs.

Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
“To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.
O simple ones, learn prudence;
acquire intelligence, you who lack it.
Hear, for I will speak noble things,
and from my lips will come what is right;
for my mouth will utter truth;
wickedness is an abomination to my lips.
All the words of my mouth are righteous;
there is nothing twisted or crooked in them.
They are all straight to one who understands
and right to those who find knowledge.
Take my instruction instead of silver,
and knowledge rather than choice gold;
for wisdom is better than jewels,
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.
I, wisdom, live with prudence,
and I attain knowledge and discretion.
The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.
Pride and arrogance and the way of evil
and perverted speech I hate.
I have good advice and sound wisdom;
I have insight, I have strength.
By me kings reign,
and rulers decree what is just;
by me rulers rule,
and nobles, all who govern rightly.

Here ends the reading.

All remain seated for

Words of Princess Elizabeth

Read on behalf of the Lord-Lieutenant by Alicia Key, St John Ambulance Cadet

I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service... But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do: I know that your support will be unfailingly given. God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it.

Her Royal Highness The Princess Elizabeth, 21 April 1947

All stand to sing

The Hymn

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.**

**Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.**

**Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:
be thou mine inheritance now and always;
be thou and thou only the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright sun,
O grant me its joys after victory is won;
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.**

SLANE (AM595)
Irish traditional melody
harmonised by Erik Routley (1917–1982)

Irish, 8th century
translated by Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880–1931)
versified by Eleanor Henrietta Hull (1860–1935)

All sit for

The Second Reading

Romans 13.1–10

Read by Councillor George Cole, The Lord Mayor of Leicester

The second reading is taken from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities; for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists authority resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval; for it is God's servant for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the servant of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, busy with this very thing.

Pay to all what is due them—taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honour to whom honour is due. Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbour as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Here ends the second reading.

All remain seated for

Words of Her Majesty The Queen

Read on behalf of the Lord-Lieutenant by Isabel Mansfield, Police Cadet

When I spoke to you last... I asked you all, whatever your religion, to pray for me on the day of my Coronation – to pray that God would give me wisdom and strength to carry out the promises that I should then be making... I have been uplifted and sustained by the knowledge that your thoughts and prayers were with me.

*Her Majesty The Queen,
Coronation Day, 2 June 1953*

All remain seated. The Choir sings

The Anthem **In Our Service**

No gilded throne nor gleaming crown of sapphire
can sure outshine an earthly vow
to serve, to live with dignity.
With humble stewardship and sacrifice,
a pledge of unity: a vow of love.

Though earthly rulers' roles are often fleeting,
truth comes to those who nobly dare
to live a life of constancy;
to love thy neighbour and thy family,
a living ministry: an act of love.

So ev'ry day, we strive to do what's right;
not choosing spite, nor breeding hate.
A life of faith and honesty.
As courage is the key to progress,
we'll surely journey on, sustained by love.

The truth is, grief is the price we pay for love,
and surely love will life sustain.
With endless grace of heart and mind,
to ascend with ever greater purpose;
through all the darkest times, to show us holy life,
throughout the years of life, a vow of love.

Thomas Hewitt Jones (b.1984)
Commissioned by the Royal School of Church Music
to mark the Platinum Jubilee

Thomas Hewitt Jones,
taking inspiration from speeches by HM The Queen

All remain seated for

The Sermon The Right Reverend Martyn Snow, Bishop of Leicester

The Hymn

**Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

**O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.**

**Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.**

**And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till he become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.**

*DOWN AMPNEY (AM238i)
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)*

*Bianco da Siena (d.1434)
translated by Richard Frederick Littledale (1833–1890)*

All sit. The Rt Revd Saju Muthalaly, Bishop of Loughborough, leads

The Prayers of Intercession

Eternal God, hear us as we give thanks for The Queen's many years of service, for her faith and devotion to duty, for her care for her people; and receive our prayer that she may know continued strength to fulfil her duty.

Silence

O God, you provide for your people by your power,
and rule over them in love:
receive the gratitude which we offer this day
for your servant Elizabeth our Queen.
Send your blessing upon her work,
that under her we may be wisely governed,
and all people may serve you in faith, hope, and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Eternal God, hear our prayers for our nation, and for the nations and peoples of the Commonwealth.

Silence

O God, bless all members of the Commonwealth of nations,
bound together under one Queen.
Help us always to take seriously our great responsibilities,
and set before us an example of integrity and justice,
faith, courage, duty, self-discipline, and fairness,
that we may foster the peace and goodwill
that gives you alone the glory,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Eternal God, hear our prayers for the needs of the world and for peace among nations.

Silence

King of kings and Lord of lords,
in a world that is often violent and unsettling,
bring your presence to fractured places and peace in our time;
fill the hearts of all in authority
with the love of your laws,
and with all that is righteous and life-giving,
that, together with them,
we may be wise and worthy stewards of your gifts
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Eternal God, hear our prayers for the sick and all who suffer.

Silence

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

All join in praying the Lord's Prayer

**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,
forever and ever.
Amen.**

The Act of Dedication

As we give thanks for Her Majesty's service to us all,
let us dedicate our own lives once again to the love and
service of God and neighbour:

**Lord of our lives and Father of all,
grant that our thanksgiving
may prove itself in service
to you and to our Queen, our country and one another,
for your Name's sake.
Amen.**

All stand to sing

The Hymn

- 1. Now thank we all our God
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours to-day.**
- 2. O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.**
- 3. All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.**

*NUN DANKET (AM739i)
Melody by Johann Crüger in Praxis Pietatis Melica, 1647
harmony chiefly from Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy
Lobegesang, 1840*

*Nun danket alle Gott
Martin Rinkart (1586–1649)
translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827–1878)*

All remain standing. The Bishop of Leicester leads

The Blessing

God grant to the living, grace;
to the departed, rest;
to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth, and all humankind,
peace and concord;
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

All remain standing to sing

The National Anthem

**God save our gracious Queen,
long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen.
Send her victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save the Queen.**

**Thy choicest gifts in store
on her be pleased to pour,
long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen.**

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Thesaurus Musicus (c.1743)

Anonymous (c. 1745)

*All remain standing whilst the Choir, Ministers and Civic Dignitaries leave in procession.
You are invited to remain seated and listen as the Organist plays the Voluntary, which is
offered as part of worship.*

The Organ Voluntary

Hornpipe *from* Water Music

George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)
arr. Peasgood

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The High Sheriff of Leicestershire
The Chairman of the County Council
The Mace Bearer
The Lord Mayor of Leicester
The Lord-Lieutenant of Leicestershire and Mrs Kapur



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