

ORDER OF SERVICECOMMISSIONING OF CHAPLAINS

HYMN: (E.H. - 407) "Immortal, invisible, God only wise,"

Dearly beloved in the Lord, in the name of God and in the presence of this congregation, we propose now to commission the Rev. Phillip Newell, our beloved in Christ, to serve as Chaplain of Sydney Hospital and thus to give him by solemn prayer and blessing and authority of the Church for the exercise of his ministry in this Diocese. And forasmuch as the work of Chaplains and the proclamation of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is so grave and sacred a thing, we beseech you to join with us in devout and earnest prayer to Almighty God for His Blessing upon the whole ministry of Chaplains in the Diocese.

LET US PRAY

Almighty God, giver of all good gifts, Who of Thy Divine Providence hast appointed different orders in Thy Church, give Thy grace we humbly beseech Thee to Thy servant that he may evermore be ready to spread abroad Thy Gospel and use the authority given to them, not to destruction, but to salvation; not to hurt, but to help; replenish him with the truth of Thy doctrine and endue him with innocency of life that he may faithfully serve before Thee to the Glory of Thy Great Name and the benefit of Thy Holy Church through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(to be said by all)

O Lord, open Thou our lips

And our mouth shall shew forth Thy praise

O God, make speed to save us

O Lord, make haste to help us

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord

The Lord's Name be praised

PSALM 91

THE LESSON: The Lord's selection and commissioning of His disciples according to St. Mark, Chapter 3, 13/19 and Chapter 16, 15/20.

Commissioning of the Rev. Phillip Newell, B.Sc., B.Ed., Th.L., standing at the Communion Rail and the congregation kneeling:

Whereas God has ordained that we should be His witnesses both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and into the uttermost part of the earth, and whereas you have been duly called and have presented yourself to God for service as a Hospital Chaplain in this Diocese, on behalf of the Archbishop I do in the Name of God solemnly commission you for the discharge of your duties, and bid you in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to give yourself with all diligence to this ministry. Go forth in the Name of God and as a servant of His Holy Church, and may the Lord bless your labour abundantly.

In token hereof I give into your hand your general license to minister in this Diocese and now I bid you to kneel that, together, we may seek God's guidance for your work.

Most Merciful Father, we beseech Thee to send Thy Heavenly Blessing upon Thy servant, that he may be clothed with righteousness, and that Thy Word proclaimed by Him and those who work with him may have such success that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant also that from the ministry of their word and sacraments the faithful may be enthused, the careless and indifferent may be aroused, the wicked may be turned and softened, the penitent restored, and all of one heart and mind within the fellowship of Thy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

