

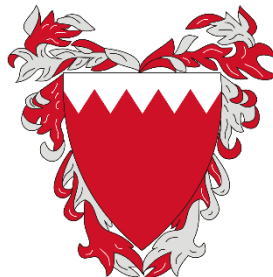
The Cathedral Church of St Christopher  
The Kingdom of Bahrain



**HOLY EUCHARIST**  
**with the Ordination, Consecration**  
**& Enthronement**  
**of the Reverend Sean Alexander John Semple**  
**to be the Sixth Bishop of the Anglican Diocese**  
**of Cyprus & the Gulf**



Six o'clock  
Friday, 24th May 2024



## **The Consecration and Ordination of a Bishop**

The ministry of the Church is the ministry of Christ, its chief shepherd and high priest. Those who are ordained are called to share Christ's work: to speak in his name and build up the Church of which Christ is the head. This service of ordination perpetuates a pattern of ministry in direct continuity – through a long line of succession – with the apostles. Just as Jesus commissioned his first disciples, so by the laying on of hands the new bishop is commissioned to witness to the resurrection and to preach the good news of salvation in all the world. The particular role of a bishop – while remaining a deacon and priest – is to proclaim and guard the faith, to preside at the sacraments, to lead the Church's prayer and to hand on its ministry. During the service, the candidate will be asked to confirm his commitment to these priorities.

All who are present will be asked to undertake to support the ordination of this candidate, not least because as bishop he will act not just on behalf of particular local Christian communities, but of the whole Church. This is followed by the invocation of the Holy Spirit and the laying on of hands. Sean will be anointed with sacred oil, signifying his role of leadership within the royal priesthood of Christ's people; he will receive a copy of the Holy Scriptures, both to remind him of his duty to proclaim the Gospel and of the centrality of God's Word; and he will receive a Pastoral Staff, symbolising his sharing in the ministry of Christ the Good Shepherd. Christ's mission is the fundamental and unifying reality for all ministry. It turns the Church outwards towards the world that God loved so much that he sent his only Son. It prepares the Church for that goal and end of all things, when Christ himself will present to the Father a world made perfect by his work – when all God's people share in the joyful communion of love that binds the Father and the Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

## **The Installation or Enthronement**

Once consecrated and vested in his robes and in possession of the symbols of office, the new Bishop Sean will process out of the Cathedral by the South Door, while the West Door is closed. He will knock to be admitted to his Cathedral, and be welcomed by the Dean and Bahraini dignitaries. He will then be led to be installed in the *Cathedra* (the Episcopal Throne) of this Cathedral, a symbol of his taking up of his episcopal office in this Diocese. At this point, Bishop Sean

becomes the celebrant of the Holy Eucharist, and offers words of greeting and a dedication to partnership to representatives of the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Diocesan clergy, Ecumenical Representatives and leaders of other faiths.

### **The Anglican Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf**

Established in 1976, the Anglican Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf is one of the three dioceses that make up the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East, whose Archbishop is currently the Most Rev'd Dr. Hosam Naoum. Geographically, the diocese includes Cyprus, the Sultanate of Oman, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, Iraq and the Yemen. The diocese is divided into two archdeaconries, that of Cyprus and the Gulf, with two cathedrals, St Paul's in Nicosia, Cyprus, and St Christopher's, in Bahrain. In 1984 the diocese established companion links with the Diocese of Exeter in England and in 2005 with the Diocese of Thika in Kenya. In addition to its many parishes, the diocese is also host to a substantial and growing Mission to Seafarers ministry.

### **Biography of the Bishop Elect: Sean Semple**

Sean has served in three provinces of the Anglican Communion. He was ordained priest in the Diocese of Natal in 2011 following a decade of ordained ministry in the Presbyterian Church in Southern Africa. He served in the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf as Assistant Priest at St Helena's, Larnaca and moved from there to the Diocese of Hereford, England in 2015, where he was appointed Rector of the Benefices of Weobley and Staunton. In 2019 he was collated to Rector of the Benefice of Ross with Walford and Brampton Abbots, and served as Rural Dean of the Deanery of Ross and Archenfield from 2020 until 2023. He will be the first African-born Bishop of the Diocese, and the first to be consecrated in the Gulf.

Sean's undergraduate studies in Psychology and Theology were undertaken at the University of Natal and the University of South Africa, followed by post-graduate studies in Spirituality and Clinical Psychology at the University of KwaZulu-Natal and the University of Nicosia respectively. During his time in Cyprus, Sean was also employed by World Vision, an ecumenical Christian humanitarian aid, development, and advocacy organisation, to provide pastoral support to its employees in the Middle East and Eastern Europe region.

Sean is married to Jenny and they have five children and one grandchild.

## **Archbishop Hosam Naoum**

Dr. Naoum will preside over the Liturgy of Ordination. He is the Primate of the Anglican Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East, in which the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf is a member. Dr. Naoum is a Palestinian Christian, who has been influential in the response of the ecumenical body of the Patriarchs and Heads of Churches in Jerusalem to the current conflict in Israel-Palestine. With the Orthodox Patriarch Theophilos III of Jerusalem, Dr. Naoum consecrated the oil used in the anointing of King Charles III at his Coronation in 2023 and attended the ceremony.

## **The Two Co-consecrating Bishops:**

**The Right Reverend Dr. Robert Innes**, Bishop in Europe, who lives in Belgium and is Chair of the Church of England's Faith and Order Commission and Vice-Chair of the Church of England's Council for Christian Unity.

**The Right Reverend Richard Jackson**, Bishop of Hereford, the bishop of the diocese in which Sean spent his ministry in England. He is also "Clerk of the Closet", head of the College of Chaplains of the Ecclesiastical Household of the King Charles III.

*Also in attendance:*

**The Right Reverend Anthony Poggo, The Secretary General of the Anglican Communion**, is from South Sudan and heads up the secretariat of the Anglican Communion, the third largest Christian denomination worldwide, of which the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East is a part.

**Archbishop Samy Fawzy Shehata**, is the Primate of the Province of Alexandria, an Egyptian national, who was part of the Anglican delegation to COP27 in 2022 in Cairo.

**The Right Reverend Anthony Ball**, is Bishop of North Africa in the Anglican Province of Alexandria, Chairman of The Jerusalem and Middle Eastern Church Association (JMECA), and Canon of Westminster Abbey.

## **Musicians**

**Organist: Michelle Miles Soprano Soloist : Hannah Miles**

**Arabic Musicians: Ziyad Sabt: Oud; Mahmoud Al Hashimi: Qanun**

**THE ORDER OF THE ENTRANCE PROCESSION**

Musicians

Crucifer

Acolytes

Postulant

Lay Readers

**Clergy of other Denominations**

**Visiting Episcopalian / Anglican Clergy**

**Clergy of the Diocese Cyprus & the Gulf**

*A Cathedral Warden*

**Consecrating Bishops**

The Rt. Rev'd Anthony Ball (Bishop of North Africa & Chairman of JMECA)

The Rt Rev'd Dr. Robert Innes (Bishop in Europe)

The Rt Rev'd Anthony Poggo, Secretary General of the Anglican Communion

The Most Rev'd Samy Fawzy Shehata (Archbishop of Alexandria)

**The Presenting Party**

Mr David Axtell & Mrs. Louise Bougourd

The Ven. Christopher Futch (Archdeacon of Cyprus)

The Ven. Dr. Michael Mbona (Archdeacon of the Gulf)

The Rt. Rev'd Richard Jackson (Bishop of Hereford)

The Bishop-Elect Sean Semple

**Deacon & Sub-Deacon**

The Rev'd Dr. Franklin Isaac

The Rev'd Christine Mbona

**Dean and Canons of the St Christopher's Cathedral**

*A Cathedral Warden*

Acolyte with a Cross

**Primatial Party**

Registrar of the Province & Provincial Secretary

Chaplain with Primatial Cross

**The Archbishop of Jerusalem**

The Most Rev'd Dr. Hosam Naoum

## **PROCESSIONAL HYMN: Yarabba ssalami (God of Peace)**

*Yarabba ssalami amter alayna ssalam,*

*Yarabba ssalami im la' qulubana ssalam.*

**Let your peace rain upon us, O Living God of Peace.**

**Let your peace rain upon us, Lord fill our hearts with your peace.**

### **THE GREETING**

*The Archbishop greets the people*

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**All and also with you.**

**Welcome**

*(to those present & participating virtually)*

*The Archbishop introduces the service*

God calls his people to follow Christ, and forms us into a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to declare the wonderful deeds of him who has called us out of darkness into his marvellous light. The Church is the Body of Christ, the people of God and the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. In baptism the whole Church is summoned to witness to God's love and to work for the coming of his kingdom. To serve this royal priesthood, God has given particular ministries. Bishops are ordained to be shepherds of Christ's flock and guardians of the faith of the apostles, proclaiming the gospel of God's kingdom and leading his people in mission. Obedient to the call of Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit, they are to gather God's people and celebrate with them the sacraments of the new covenant. Thus formed into a single communion of faith and love, the Church in each place and time is united with the Church in every place and time.

### **Prayers of Penitence**

#### **Invitation to confession**

*Sub-deacon* Jesus is the Good Shepherd:

in every generation he raises up overseers,

to shepherd the Church of God that he obtained with his own blood. *cf Acts 20.28*

We are sinners:

let us call to mind the times when we have failed to hear his voice  
and not followed where he has led.

Lord Jesus, you call by name those who are yours:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you lead us in the right paths for your name's sake:

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are the door of the sheepfold;

those who enter by you will be saved:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*The Archbishop offers the Absolution*

Almighty God,

who forgives all who truly repent,

have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins,

confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in life eternal;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

## **THE PRESENTATION**

*The Bishop of Hereford, Archdeacon Christopher, Archdeacon Michael, Lay Members of the  
Vacancy-in-See Committee present, say together:*

Most Reverend Father in God, Sean has been chosen to be Bishop of the Diocese  
of Cyprus and the Gulf. We present him to be ordained and consecrated to the  
office of bishop in the Church of God.

*The Archbishop asks*

Do you believe him to be of godly life and sound learning?

*Those presenting respond*

**We do.**

Do you believe him to be duly called to serve God in this ministry?

**We do.**

*The Archbishop turns to the Bishop-Elect and says*

Do you believe that God is calling you to this ministry?

*Bishop-Elect* **I do so believe.**

*Archbishop* Let the authority for the ordination be read.

*The Provincial Registrar reads the Provincial Mandate.*

*Archbishop* Sean, I invite you to make the Declaration of Assent.

*The Archbishop then reads the Preface to the Declaration of Assent.*

## **THE PREFACE TO THE DECLARATION OF ASSENT**

The Episcopal/Anglican Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East is part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the Catholic Creeds, which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons. In the Declaration you are about to make, will you affirm your loyalty to this inheritance of faith as your inspiration and guidance under God in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making him known to those in your care?

*Bishop-Elect:* I, Sean Alexander John Semple, Clerk in Holy Orders about to be admitted and consecrated to the Bishopric and See of Cyprus and the Gulf in the Province of Episcopal/Anglican Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Episcopal/Anglican Church in the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the sacraments, I will use only the forms of service which are authorised or allowed by Canon.



## THE DECLARATION OF ASSENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

*Archbishop* Will you uphold the Constitution of this Diocese and of our Province?

I, Sean Alexander John Semple, Clerk in Holy Orders about to be admitted and consecrated to the Bishopric and See of Cyprus and the Gulf in the Province of Episcopal/Anglican Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, do declare my assent to the Constitution of the said Episcopal/Anglican Church, and to the Constitution of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf of that Church, and make known my intention in all my actions to be guided by those Constitutions as they now are or as they shall at any time be amended by authority. Moreover, I hereby take my Oath of Canonical Obedience to the Central Synod of the Episcopal/Anglican Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, as exercising the metropolitanical authority within that Church; and I declare my intention to serve loyally those who shall be set over me in the Church, to submit to their decisions if any Canonical proceedings are taken against me, and at all times to give good heed to their instructions and godly admonitions.

So help me God.

*The Bishop-Elect signs the oath with the Provincial Registrar during the singing of the Gloria*

**Gloria in Excelsis** (Tamil Choir)

**stand**

### **The Collect**

*The Archbishop introduces a period of silent prayer with the following bidding*  
Let us pray for Sean, and for the ministry of the whole people of God.

*The Archbishop says the Collect*

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 Sean, now to be ordained  
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.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **First Reading: 1 Samuel 16.1,6-11,13**

*read by the Senior Pastor of NEC, Bahrain, The Rev'd Dr. Blaine Newhouse*

The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord.' But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.' Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of these.' Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' He sent and brought him in. The Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward.

For the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 96** (*A St Christopher's English-Language Service Choir – Tune: Greg McDonald*)

Verse 1

Sing unto the Lord a new song  
Sing unto the Lord all the earth  
Sing to the Lord, bless his name  
Tell of his salvation day by day.

Verse 2

Majesty and honour are his  
Strength and beauty, glory and righteousness  
Great is the Lord, and deserving of praise  
He is to be feared above all gods.

Chorus

Worship the Lord in holy array  
Tremble before him all the earth  
Our God reigns.

Verse 3

Let all the creation be glad  
The earth and the sea sing for joy  
Before the Lord, the judge of the earth  
Who judges us in righteousness and truth.

**Second Reading: Acts of the Apostles 20.28 - 35**

*read by Bishop Aldo Berardi O.S.S.T. Apostolic Vicar of Northern Arabia*

Keep watch over yourselves and over all the flock, of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God that he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after I have gone, savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Some even from your own group will come distorting the truth in order to entice the disciples to follow them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to warn everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the message of his grace, a message that is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or clothing. You know for yourselves that I worked with my own hands to support myself and my companions. In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must

support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

For the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn** (*Tune: Hereford; Words: Charles Wesley*)

**stand**

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

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

**3. 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.**

**4. Ready for all thy perfect will,  
my acts of faith and love repeat;  
till death thy endless mercies seal,  
and make the sacrifice complete.**

**Proclamation of the Gospel**

*remain standing*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

I am the good shepherd: says the Lord.

I know my own and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me and I know the Father.

*John 10.14*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## **The Gospel: John 21.15-17**

*read in the Tamil language, Fr Franklin Isaac, Associate Priest at the Cathedral & Chaplain to the Mission to Seafarers in Bahrain*

The Lord be with you.

*All And also with you.*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*All Glory to you, O Lord.*

When Jesus and his disciples had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All Praise to you, O Christ.*

**Sermon**

*The Rt Rev'd Richard Jackson, Bishop of Hereford*

## **The Creed**

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

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who 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 Liturgy of Ordination

### The Declarations

*The Bishop-Elect stands before the Archbishop and consecrating bishops.*

*The Archbishop addresses the congregation*

Bishops are called to serve and care for the flock of Christ. Mindful of the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life for his sheep, they are to love and pray for those committed to their charge, knowing their people and being known by them. As principal ministers of word and sacrament, stewards of the mysteries of God, they are to preside at the Lord's table and to lead the offering of prayer and praise. They are to feed God's pilgrim people, and so build up the Body of Christ.

*Bishop Anthony Poggo:*

They are to baptize and confirm, nurturing God's people in the life of the Spirit, and leading them in the way of holiness. They are to discern and foster the gifts of the Spirit in all who follow Christ, commissioning them to minister in his name. They are to preside over the ordination of deacons and priests, and join together in the ordination of bishops.

*Bishop Robert:*

As chief pastors, it is their duty to share with their fellow presbyters the oversight of the Church, speaking in the name of God, and expounding the gospel of salvation. With the Shepherd's love, they are to be merciful, but with firmness; to minister discipline, but with compassion. They are to have a special care for the poor, the outcast

and those who are in need. They are to seek out those who are lost and lead them home with rejoicing, declaring the absolution and forgiveness of sins to those who turn to Christ.

*Bishop Richard:*

Following the example of the prophets and the teaching of the apostles, they are to proclaim the gospel boldly, confront injustice and work for righteousness and peace in all the world.

*The Archbishop addresses the Bishop-Elect directly*

Sean, we trust that you have weighed and pondered all this, and that you are now fully determined to devote yourself to this ministry to which God has called you. We pray that you may offer to him your best powers of mind and spirit, so that as you follow the rule and teaching of our Lord you may grow up into his likeness, and sanctify the lives of all with whom you have to do. And now, in order that we may know your mind and purpose, you must make the declarations we put to you.

### *Interlude of Arabic Music*

*The Bishop-Elect moves to the pre-Sanctuary step and turns to face the congregation.*

*The Interlocutors move into position down the central nave aisle.*

*Dr. Hrayr Jebejian, Regional Director of the Bible Society in the Gulf*

Do you accept the Holy Scriptures as revealing all things necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ?

*Bishop-Elect* **I do so accept them.**

*Canon Faez Basheer Jirjees Mteni, a priest of the Diocese (speaking in Arabic)*

Will you be diligent in prayer, in reading Holy Scripture, and in all studies that will deepen your faith, and fit you to bear witness to the truth of the Gospel?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Mrs. Anthea Washington, a Lay Student in Theology (speaking in Tamil):*

Will you lead your people in proclaiming his glorious gospel of Christ, so that the good news of salvation may be heard in everyplace?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*The Ven. Dr. Michael Mbona, The Archdeacon of the Gulf:*

Will you teach the doctrine of the Christian faith as the Episcopal/ Anglican Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East has received it, will you refute error, and will you hand on entire the faith that is entrusted to you?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*The Rev'd Gill Nisbet, Head of the House of Clergy:*

Will you be faithful in ordaining and commissioning ministers of the Gospel?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Mr Irwin Palanna, Chair of the Ecumenical Conference of Charity, Bahrain (in Hindi):*

Will you promote peace and reconciliation in the Church and in the world; and will you strive for the visible unity of Christ's Church?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Chidiebere Oguzie, A Layperson from the Cathedral*

Will you be gentle and merciful for Christ's sake to those who are in need, and speak for those who have no other to speak for them?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Mrs Sheryl Young, a Clergy Spouse:*

Will you endeavour to fashion your own life and that of your household according to the way of Christ and make your home a place of hospitality and welcome?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Mr. Robert Jones, a Postulant in training*

Will you work with your fellow servants in the Gospel for the sake of the kingdom of God?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*Canon Fuad Dagher, The Provincial Secretary (speaking in Arabic):*

Will you accept the discipline of this Church, exercising authority with justice, courtesy and love, and always holding before you the example of Christ?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**



*The Venerable Paul Feheley, The Partnership Officer for the Middle East of the Episcopal Church of the US (TEC):*

Will you then, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, continually stir up the gift of God that is in you, that the good news of Christ may be proclaimed in all the world?

*Bishop-Elect* **By the help of God, I will.**

*The Interlocutors return to their places.*

### ***Interlude of Arabic Music***

*The congregation stands. The Archbishop says:*

Brothers and sisters, you have heard how great is the charge that Sean is ready to undertake, and you have heard his declarations.

Is it now your will that he should be ordained?

*All* **It is.**

*Archbishop* Will you continually pray for him?

*All* **We will.**

*Archbishop* Will you uphold and encourage him in his ministry?

*All* **We will.**

*The Bishop-Elect turns to face the Archbishop, who continues*

Sean, remember always with thanksgiving that God has entrusted to your care Christ's beloved bride, his own flock, bought by the shedding of his blood on the cross.

*Bishop Robert:*

You are to govern Christ's people in truth, lead them out to proclaim the good news of the kingdom, and prepare them to stand before him when at last he comes in glory.

*Bishop Richard:*

You cannot bear the weight of this calling in your own strength, but only by the grace and power of God.

*Archbishop Samy:*

Pray therefore that you may be conformed more and more to the image of God's Son, so that through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit your life and ministry may be made holy and acceptable to God. Pray earnestly for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

*After a red cover is spread in the pre-sanctuary, the Bishop-Elect prostrates himself and the congregation kneels/sits and bows their heads, and silence is kept. The Archbishop chants:*

**THE VENI CREATOR** (*Words: John Cosin [1594-1672] Tune: Mechilin*)

1. Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
And lighten with celestial fire;  
Thou the anointing Spirit art,  
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

2. Thy blessèd unction from above  
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;  
Enable with perpetual light  
The dullness of our blinded sight:

3. Anoint and cheer our soilèd face  
With the abundance of thy grace:  
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
Where thou art guide no ill can come.

4. 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. Amen.

**The Litany**

The Litanist:                    Let us pray.

*The Litanist leads **the Prayers** for Bishop Sean and for the ministry of the whole Church.*

The Litanist:                    God the Father,  
All:                                **Have mercy upon us.**

The Litanist:                    God the Son,  
All                                **Have mercy upon us.**

The Litanist:                    God the Holy Spirit,  
All:                                **Have mercy upon us.**

The Litanist: Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity,  
All **Have mercy upon us.**

The Litanist: From all evil and mischief;  
From pride, vanity, and hypocrisy;  
From envy, hatred, and malice;  
And from all evil intent,  
ALL: **Good, Lord, deliver us.**

The Litanist: From sloth, worldliness, and love of money;  
From hardness of heart  
And contempt for your word and your laws,  
ALL: **Good Lord, deliver us.**

The Litanist: From sins of body and mind;  
From the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,  
ALL: **Good Lord, deliver us.**

The Litanist: In all times of sorrow,  
In all times of joy;  
In the hour of death,  
And at the day of judgement,  
ALL: **Good Lord, deliver us.**

The Litanist: Govern and direct your holy Church;  
Fill it with the live and truth;  
And grant it that unity which is your will.  
ALL: **Hear us, good Lord.**

The Litanist: Give us boldness to preach the Gospel in all the world,  
And to make disciples of all the nations.  
ALL: **Hear us, good Lord.**

The Litanist: Enlighten your ministers with knowledge and  
understanding, that by their teaching and their lives  
they may proclaim your word.  
ALL: **Hear us, good Lord.**

The Litanist: Bless your servant now to be ordained Bishop of Cyprus and the Gulf, that he may serve your Church and reveal your glory to the world.

ALL: **Hear us, good Lord.**

The Litanist: Give your people grace to hear and receive your word, and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.

ALL: **Hear us, good Lord.**

The Litanist: Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived,

ALL: **Hear us, good Lord.**

The Litanist: Strengthen those who stand, comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

ALL: **Hear us, good Lord.**

The Litanist: Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance, and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your holy word.

ALL: **Holy God,  
Holy and strong,  
Holy and immortal,  
Have mercy upon us.**

The Litanist: Lord, you are merciful and forgive our sins.  
You hear those who pray in the name of your Son.  
Grant that what we have asked in faith we may obtain according to your will:  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: **Amen.**

### **The Ordination Prayer**

*The Bishop-Elect rises and stands to one side. The red cloth is removed, and the Bishop-Elect proceeds to kneel at the entrance of the Sanctuary before the Archbishop and the gathered consecrating bishops. The Archbishop prays:*

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

*Bishop Anthony Poggo:*

We praise and glorify you because you have given us your only Son  
Jesus Christ the image of your eternal and invisible glory,  
the firstborn of all creation and head of the Church.

*Bishop Robert:*

We praise and glorify you that by his death he has overcome  
death; and that, having ascended into heaven,  
he poured out your Holy Spirit upon his disciples,  
to give them power to preach the gospel to the ends of the earth,  
and to build up your people in love.

*Archbishop:*

And now we give you thanks  
that you have called this your servant,  
whom we ordain in your name,  
to share as a bishop in the ministry of the gospel of Christ,  
the Apostle and High Priest of our faith,  
and the Shepherd of our souls.

Therefore, Father, through Christ our Lord we pray:

*The Archbishop and the consecrating bishops lay hands on the head of the Bishop-Elect.*

*The Archbishop prays*

Send down the Holy Spirit on your servant Sean  
for the office and work of a bishop in your Church.

*The Archbishop then continues*

Through your Spirit, heavenly Father,  
fill this your servant with the grace and power which you gave to  
your apostles, that as a true shepherd he may feed and govern  
your flock, and lead them in proclaiming the gospel of your  
salvation in the world.

*Bishop Richard:*

Make him steadfast as a guardian of the faith and sacraments, wise as a teacher and faithful in presiding at the worship of your people.

*Archbishop Samy:*

Through him, with his fellow-servants in Christ, increase your Church and renew its ministry, uniting its members in a holy fellowship of truth and love. Give him humility, that he may use his authority to heal, not to hurt; to build up, not to destroy.

*Archbishop of Jerusalem:*

Defend him from all evil, that he may, as a faithful steward, be presented blameless with all your household and, at the last, enter your eternal joy, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit, belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

## **The Anointing**

*The Archbishop anoints with the oil of Chrism:*

May God, who anointed the Christ with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, anoint and empower you to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives, to set free those who are oppressed and to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.

## **Organ Music**

*Bishop Sean stands and moves with the Dean to the pre-sanctuary. The Bishop faces the congregation. Those bearing the symbols of episcopal office gather, in order, in the central nave aisle, and process to the step of the pre-sanctuary at their turn to present.*

## **The Giving of the Symbols of Episcopal Office**

### **The Giving of the Bible**

*Pastor Hani Aziz from the Arabic Congregation of the NEC presents the Bible in English and Arabic, saying in Arabic:*

Receive this Book,  
as a sign of the authority given you this day  
to build up Christ's Church in truth.  
Here are words of eternal life.

Take them for your guide,  
and declare them to the world.

*Bishop Sean: **With all my heart, I receive them.***

### **Giving of the Episcopal Ring**

*A member of the Cathedral's Mother's Union*

(Mrs Jacqueline Jeff & Mrs Kelly Adjei-Admas):

Take this ring, the seal of your fidelity. With faith and love  
protect the bride of Christ, his holy Church.

### **Giving of the Pectoral Cross**

*The Bishop of Hereford*

May the Lord defend you against the assaults of the devil by  
the power of his holy cross. As you bear this cross, so may  
you ever keep in mind the memory of the Passion and the  
victory of the martyrs.

### **Giving of the Stole**

*The Rev'd Canon Chris Butt, Chairman of the Friends of the Diocese of Cyprus & the Gulf*  
Jesus said, 'Take my yoke upon you and learn of me.' Wear this stole as a token  
of your obedience to Christ, whose yoke is easy and whose burden is light.

### **Giving of the Chasuble**

*The Reverends Prem Mitra & Mark Derry, clergy of the Diocese.*

St Paul says 'As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.'

Wear this chasuble as a sign that you are clothed with Christ, in whose strength  
alone you stand among us.

### **Giving of the Mitre**

*By the Secretary General of the Anglican Communion, The Rt Rev'd Anthony Poggo*

St Luke tells us that at Pentecost tongues of flame rested on each one of the  
Apostles. Wear this mitre as a sign that the Holy Spirit rests upon you, and is to  
be your guide and wisdom in all things.

### **Giving of the Pastoral Staff (Crozier)**

*Children from the Cathedral communities present the Pastoral Staff*

Bishop Sean, you are our chief shepherd. Carry this staff as a sign of your care for us in Christ. May the Lord be your Shepherd always.

## **Liturgy of Installation**

**Processional Hymn: Tell out my Soul** (*Tune: Woodlands; Words: Walter Grealix*)  
*Bishop Sean, the Archdeacons of Cyprus & the Gulf leave the Cathedral using the south door and the west door of the Cathedral is closed. The Dean and Cathedral Canons process to the west door.*

**1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.**

**2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
his holy Name, the Lord, the Mighty One.**

**3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**

**4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!**

## **THE WELCOME**

*Bishop Sean, attended by the Archdeacons shall then approach the West Door. He shall strike the door three times with his staff, saying:*

Open to me the gates of righteousness;  
that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.

*The door shall then be opened, and the Dean, addressing Bishop Sean, shall say:  
Who comes in the name of the Lord?*



*Bishop Sean* I, Sean, by Divine Providence, duly elected and consecrated as Bishop of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, ask you to admit me to my place as Bishop in this Cathedral Church.

*Dean & Representative of the Government:* السلام عليكم (Assalam alaykum!)

*The Dean* Reverend Father in God, in the name of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, on behalf of the people of your Diocese

*Representative of the Government:* and with the gracious hospitality of King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and the people of Bahrain in their vision of peaceful co-existence,

*Together:* we welcome you into your Cathedral Church.

نرحب بكم في أرض التعايش والسلام

(*Nurahibu bikum fi ardh at-ta'ayush wa as-salam*)

(*We welcome you to the land of coexistence and peace.*)

*All (with a loud voice):* **In the name of the Lord, we welcome you!**

**We welcome you!**

*Bishop Sean:* أهلا بكم. وعليك السلام. (Wa alaykum assalam. Ahlan bekum.)

I greet you in peace.

*We greet the new bishop with applause.*

**Processional Music: Anton Bruckner, *Ecce Sacerdos Magnus*** (organ)

*The Bishop shall be conducted to the step of the Sanctuary, where the Provincial Mandate for the Installation is handed to the Dean. The Bishop is then led by the Dean to the Bishop's throne (cathedra), and the Dean, taking the Bishop's right hand, shall place him on the throne and say:*

By virtue of the Provincial Mandate, I, Richard Fermer, Dean of St Christopher's Anglican Cathedral, in the Kingdom of Bahrain, do install you, Sean Alexander John Semple, into the Chair Episcopal of this Cathedral Church, and I induct you into the possession of the Bishopric of Cyprus and the Gulf with its rights and dignities and all its opportunities for service in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

May the Lord preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth for evermore.

*All:* **Amen.**

*Dean:* Hear these words from an early Christian saint of these lands:

“As a handful of sand thrown into the ocean, so are the sins of all flesh in comparison with the mercy of God. Therefore, be persecuted, but persecute not; be crucified, but crucify not; be wronged, but wrong not; be slandered, but slander not. Have clemency, not zeal, with respect to evil. Lay hold of goodness, not legality. The person who lives in love reaps the fruit of life from God, and while yet in this world, even now breathes the air of the resurrection.”

*(St Isaac of the Isles, otherwise known as St Isaac of Nineveh, was born in this region c.613 CE.)*

## **THE DEDICATION TO PARTNERSHIP IN MINISTRY**

*The Bishop stands at the Sanctuary step.*

*Bahraini dignitaries are invited to come forward.*

*The Bishop says*

His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa  
has written in the Declaration of the Kingdom of Bahrain,  
“Faith illuminates our Path to Peace”.

I offer you my support for this vision of peaceful co-existence of peoples and faiths.

*The Bahraini dignitaries reply*

**His Majesty has said “Ignorance is the Enemy of Peace, it is therefore, our duty to learn, to share and to live together, by the Tenets of Faith in the spirit of mutual respect and love.” We are your partners in peace.**

*Archdeacons, Clergy and Lay Readers of the Diocese gather on the pre-Sanctuary platform.*

*The Bishop addresses them:*

My brothers and sisters,  
clergy and lay readers of this Diocese,  
as the Chief Pastor of the Diocese,  
you participate in the cure of souls that has been given to me.  
Without Christ I can do nothing.

To be fruitful we must edify one another in love.

I ask for your help in bearing the Office of Bishop of this Diocese.

*The Clergy respond:*

**Through the grace of God the Father  
and supported by your prayers,  
we pledge ourselves to share in your ministry of pastoral care,  
and under your oversight, to pursue God’s mission in this Diocese,  
working for unity in Christ,  
by following His commandment to love one another.  
May we bear you in our prayers and stand with you by our actions,  
in the name of Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*Ecumenical Representatives of the Churches in Bahrain  
come forward into the pre-Sanctuary. The Bishop says:*

I greet you brothers and sisters in Christ,  
from other churches in this Kingdom and region.  
Our Lord Jesus has called us to become completely one,  
so that the world may know that the Father has sent His Beloved Son  
and has loved His disciples even as the Father has loved the Son. (John 17.23)  
I make my commitment to Christ’s vision of unity.

*Together they say*

**As leaders of the Church in this Kingdom and region,  
supported by the prayers of God’s holy people,  
we pledge ourselves to work and pray together  
in God’s mission and to be drawn into unity in Christ;  
whilst respecting those of other faiths,  
and affirming the peaceful co-existence of peoples in this Kingdom;  
in the power of the Holy Spirit,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

*Leaders of other faiths join the Christian leaders as the Bishop says:*

I welcome leaders of other faith traditions as partners in the common good.  
Let us together pledge, Christian and non-Christian, to “harness the enormous  
power of collective faith to unite a world in peace” (*Declaration of the Kingdom of  
Bahrain*).

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

**The Peace**      *The Bishop introduces the Peace*

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.**

*Sub-Deacon* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

**Offertory Hymn** (*Tune: Slane; Words: Irish 8<sup>th</sup> C*)

stand

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.  
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
3. Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;  
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;  
Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tower:  
Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.
4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
5. High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

## **Prayer of Preparation**

*The Bishop offers this prayer:*

Good Shepherd, your flock is never without care.

Accept our sacrifice of praise

and grant that your Church may always rejoice

in faithful pastors, servants of Christ

and stewards of your mysteries.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. *All: Amen*

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

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

It is truly right and just,

our duty and our salvation,

always and everywhere to give you thanks,

Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ is the Good Shepherd of the whole flock,

for which the Holy Spirit ordains bishops

to govern the Church bought by the blood of the eternal covenant.

In this joyful community of faith,

your people, filled with the gifts of the Spirit,

assemble together in one communion of love.

Here the Gospel is set forth

and fulfilled in the Supper of the Lord

to make your Church a sign of love and unity for all.

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,** (Sanctus: Schubert Deutsche Messe)  
**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.**

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.

*Deacon Let us proclaim the mystery of faith*

**All Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

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 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**

*As we join our prayers with the Church Universal, so we say,  
each in our own language, the prayer that Jesus taught us.*

**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, saying  
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.*

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

**Agnus Dei** (*Tune: Repton; Words: Michael Forster*)

**O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts  
and take our sin away.**

**O Lamb of God, your grace impart,  
and let our guilty fear depart,  
have mercy, Lord we pray,  
have mercy, Lord we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, our lives restore,  
our guilty souls release.**

**Into our lives your Spirit pour  
and let us live for evermore  
in perfect heav'nly peace,  
in perfect heav'nly peace.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to His supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you  
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*All who are regular communicants in their own tradition are welcome to receive the sacrament.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing, please bow your head and cross your arms on your chest.*

*There will be Stations for Communion at the step of the Sanctuary, and two further Stations in the Nave and at the door of the Vestry and Coffee Room if used.*

*Please come to the station which is in front of you.*

**Hymn During Communion** (*Tune: Picardy; Words: from the Liturgy of St James*)

**1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence,  
and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly minded,  
for, with blessing in His hand,  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
our full homage to demand.**



2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
as of old on earth He stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
in the body and the blood.  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own self for heav'nly food.

3. Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way,  
as the Light of light descendeth  
from the realms of endless day,  
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish  
as the darkness clears away.

4. At His feet the six-winged seraph,  
cherubim with sleepless eye,  
veil their faces to the Presence,  
as with ceaseless voice they cry,  
“Alleluia, alleluia,  
alleluia, Lord Most High!”

**Anthem:** Schubert *Ave Maria*

**Anthem:** All Saints' Choir

“God will take care of you” (Civilla D. Martin)

### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. *All Amen.*

## The Sending Out

### Blessing

*The Bishop*            The Lord be with you.

*All*                        **And also with you.**

May the boldness of the Spirit transform you,  
may the gentleness of the Spirit lead you,  
may the gifts of the Spirit equip you  
to serve and worship God;  
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

*Deacon* Go in the peace of Christ.

*All Thanks be to God.*

### Recessional Hymn: We are Marching

*(Tune: Siyhamba, South African traditional melody)*

**1. We are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching, marching,**

**We are marching, Oh,**

**We are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching, marching,**

**We are marching, Oh,**

**We are marching in the light of God.**

*Verse 2*

**We are living in the love of God.**

*Verse 3*

**We are moving in the power of God.**

*Verse 4*

**We are dancing in the joy of God.**

**Blessing of the City and Diocese**

*The Bishop turns to face out of the Cathedral and blesses the City and Diocese.*

May almighty God bless this City of Manama and this Diocese,  
and grant gifts of wisdom, love and compassion, to all who live and work here;  
may God visit his people with mercy, surround them with love,  
and fill the hearts of all with courage, strength and peace;  
beyond human imagining; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*Please join us for a Reception in the **Alun Morris Hall**, adjacent to the Cathedral.*

**THE ORDER OF THE RECESSIONAL PROCESSION**

Crucifer

Acolytes

Postulant

Lay Readers

*Awali Church Warden*

**Clergy of other Denominations**

**Visiting Episcopalian / Anglican Clergy**

**Clergy of the Diocese of Cyprus & the Gulf**

*A Cathedral Warden*

**Consecrating Bishops**

The Rt Rev'd Anthony Ball (Bishop of North Africa, Chairman of JMECA)

The Rt. Rev'd Richard Jackson (Bishop of Hereford)

The Rt Rev'd Dr. Robert Innes (Bishop in Europe)

The Rt Rev'd Anthony Poggo, Secretary General of the Anglican Communion

The Most Rev'd Samy Fawzy Shehata (Archbishop of Alexandria)

Acolyte with Cross

**The Primatial Party**

Provincial Registrar    The Secretary of the Province

Chaplain with Primatial Cross

**The Archbishop of Jerusalem**

The Most Rev'd Dr. Hosam Naoum

**Archdeacons of the Diocese**

The Ven. Christopher Fatcher (Archdeacon of Cyprus)

The Ven. Dr. Michael Mbona (Archdeacon of the Gulf)

**Dean and Canons of the St Christopher's Cathedral**

*A Cathedral Warden*

**Deacon & Sub-Deacon**

The Rev'd Dr. Franklin Isaac

The Rev'd Christine Mbona

**The Diocesan Bishop of Cyprus & the Gulf**

The Rt Rev'd Sean Semple