

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

**ORDER OF SERVICE
AND
CEREMONY OF THE OATH
AND INSTALLATION OF**

**KNIGHTS GRAND CROSS
OF
THE MOST HONOURABLE
ORDER OF THE BATH**

IN

**THE LADY CHAPEL OF KING HENRY VII
THE CHAPEL OF THE ORDER**

IN THE ORDER'S 293rd YEAR

**11.15 am
THURSDAY 24th MAY 2018**

THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY

Although the Order of the Bath as we know it today was created by Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal on 18th May 1725, the origins of the ceremony, which takes place in the Henry VII Chapel, can be traced back to the 14th century. A pamphlet of that time refers to Knights receiving 'a Degree of Knighthood by the Bath' and describes part of the knighting ceremony thus:

'The Knight shall be led into the Chapel with melody and there he shall un-girt him and shall offer his sword to God and Holy Church to be laid upon the Altar by the Bishop'.

The original installation ceremony was based largely on that used at the Coronation of Henry V on 9th April 1413. As at the Coronation, candidates had to appear in the Prince's Chamber in the Palace of Westminster, where they were required to take their bath and were put to bed to prepare them for a long night's vigil. From 1725 until its formal abolition in 1815, the vigil took place in the Order's designated chapel, the Chapel of Henry VII. This was followed by an investiture and then the installation. After taking the Oath to honour God, love the King, and defend widows and orphans, Knights were seated in their stalls.

In practice only the actual 'installing' of a new Knight took place (i.e. placing him in his stall).

Even this fell into abeyance after 1812, because of the enlargement of the Order in 1815, and the installation ceremony was formally abolished in 1847. It was revived in 1913 in the modified form which continues in use to the present. Today the Knights are installed as a group and do not actually occupy their own stalls during the installation.

The offering of gold and silver represents partly a surrendering of worldly treasure and partly a recognition by the new Knight of his duty to provide for the maintenance of Christ's Church on earth. In today's ceremony, the gold is represented by two sovereigns: 1895 with the head of Queen Victoria and 1967 with the head of Queen Elizabeth II. The silver is represented by two silver crowns: 1896 with the head of Queen Victoria and 1935 with the head of King George V.

The offering of the sword, a memory of the days of mediaeval knighthood, is a reminder to each new Knight that he is to use it first to the glory of God and in the defence of the Gospel.

The Admonition, which has been used at installation services since 1725, is written in the language of mediaeval devotion, and is there to remind the Knight of his duty and responsibility: to the Faith, to The Sovereign, and to the defenceless and helpless.

The Stalls of the late Knights Grand Cross, and the Knights being installed who will occupy them, are:

DECEASED STALL HOLDERS	STALL No.	NEW STALL HOLDERS
Sir Brian Cubbon	North 4	<i>the late Sir Clifford Boulton died whilst awaiting installation</i> Sir Anthony Battishill
Sir Kenneth Stowe	North 7	The Lord Burns
Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Michael Beetham	South 5	Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Johns
General Sir Robert Ford	North 20	General Sir Jeremy Mackenzie
General Sir Peter Whiteley	South 14	Admiral of the Fleet the Lord Boyce
Admiral of the Fleet Sir Edward Ashmore	South 11	Field Marshal the Lord Walker of Aldringham
Sir Derek Oulton	South 19	Sir Nigel Wicks
Sir Douglas Wass	North 22	The Lord Wilson of Dinton
General Sir Brian Kenny	South 8	<i>the late Air Chief Marshal Sir Peter Squire died whilst awaiting installation</i>
Air Chief Marshal Sir Peter Terry	South 9	Admiral Sir Nigel Essenhigh
Air Chief Marshal Sir Douglas Lowe	South 22	Admiral the Lord West of Spithead

Members of the congregation are kindly requested to refrain from using private cameras, video, or sound recording equipment. Please ensure that mobile telephones and other electronic devices are switched off.

The whole of the church is served by a hearing loop. Users should turn their hearing aid to the setting marked T.

The service is conducted by The Very Reverend Dr John Hall, Dean of Westminster.

The service is sung by the Choir of Westminster Abbey, conducted by James O'Donnell, Organist and Master of the Choristers.

The organ is played by Peter Holder, Sub-Organist.

Fanfares are sounded by trumpeters of the Band of the Prince of Wales's Division, under the direction of Band Sergeant Major Bart Simmonds.

The Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment plays under the direction of Flight Lieutenant Tom Rodda ARAM LRAM LRSM RAF, Director of Music.

Music before the service:

The Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment plays:

Festival Fanfare *Franco Cesarini (b 1961)*

A Hymn to New England *John Williams (b 1932)*
arranged by Paul Lavender

Andante con moto *from* Italian Symphony *Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)*

Alla Marcia *from* Karelia Suite *Jean Sibelius (1865–1957)*

Londonderry Air *traditional*
arranged by Percy Grainger (1882–1961)

The Dam Busters March *Eric Coates (1886–1957)*

Matthew Jorysz, Assistant Organist, plays:

Overture *from* Music for the Royal Fireworks *George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)*

Cathédrales *from* 24 Pièces de Fantaisie *Louis Vierne (1870–1937)*

Sonata No 2 Op 87a: *Edward Elgar (1857–1934)*
I. Introduction *arranged by Ivor Atkins (1869–1953)*

II. Toccata

III. Fugue

IV. Minuet

V. Coda

THE ARRIVAL

The choir moves to places on the Quire Screen. All remain seated.

The Procession of Knights Grand Cross moves to the South Nave Aisle. All remain seated.

A fanfare is sounded. All stand.

His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, Great Master of the Order, is received by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster at the Great West Door, and is conducted to the Chapel of Saint George, where the Officers are introduced.

All remain standing.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

All sing

THE HYMN

*during which the Collegiate Procession moves to places in the Sacrarium,
followed by the Procession of the Order to places in Quire*

PRAISE to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation,
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
come ye who hear,
brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth;
 hast thou not seen,
 all that is needful hath 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,
 all the Almighty can do,
 He who with love doth 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.

The choir sings: Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,
fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee,
 then to thy need,
 he like a mother doth speed,
 spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

All sing: Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,
who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
 sheddeth his light,
 chasing 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.

*melody from Praxis Pietatis Melica 1668
arranged by James O'Donnell (b 1961)*

*Joachim Neander (1650–1680)
translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827–1878)
and Rupert Davies (1909–1994)*

THE PROCESSION OF THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST PETER

A Beadle

The Queen's Almsmen

The Cross of Westminster

A Verger

The Reverend Jennifer Petersen
Minor Canon and Chaplain

The Reverend Mark Birch
Minor Canon and Sacrist

The Reverend Christopher Stoltz
Minor Canon and Precentor

The Canons' Verger

The Reverend Anthony Ball
Canon Steward and Almoner

The Reverend Jane Sinclair
Canon of Westminster and Rector of St Margaret's Church

The Venerable David Stanton
Canon Treasurer and Archdeacon of Westminster

The Reverend Professor Vernon White
Sub-Dean and Canon Theologian
carrying the Bible in his right hand

THE PROCESSION OF KNIGHTS GRAND CROSS

Knights Grand Cross to take the Oath

The Right Honourable the Lord Geidt
GCB GCVO OBE QSO

Air Chief Marshal Sir Andrew Pulford
GCB CBE ADC

Admiral Sir George Zambellas
GCB DSC ADC DL

Air Chief Marshal Sir Stephen Dalton
GCB

General the Lord Richards
of Herstmonceux
GCB CBE DSO

Sir David Normington
GCB

Admiral Sir Mark Stanhope
GCB OBE DL

General the Lord Dannatt
GCB CBE MC DL

Air Chief Marshal Sir Glenn Torpy
GCB CBE DSO ADC

Admiral Sir Jonathon Band
GCB DL

The Right Honourable the Lord Janvrin
GCB GCVO QSO

Sir Richard Mottram
GCB

Marshal of the Royal Air Force
the Lord Stirrup
KG GCB AFC

General Sir Michael Jackson
GCB CBE DSO

Sir David Omand
GCB

Sir Hayden Phillips
GCB DL

The Right Honourable the Lord Fellowes
GCB GCVO QSO

Knights Grand Cross to take the Oath and to be Installed

Admiral the Lord West of Spithead
GCB DSC

Admiral Sir Nigel Essenhigh
GCB DL

The Lord Wilson of Dinton
GCB

Field Marshal the Lord Walker
of Aldringham
GCB CMG CBE

Sir Nigel Wicks
GCB CVO CBE

General Sir Jeremy Mackenzie
GCB OBE DL

Sir Anthony Battishill
GCB

The Lord Burns
GCB

Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Johns
GCB KCVO CBE

Knights Grand Cross who have been Installed

General Sir Roger Wheeler

GCB CBE

Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Alcock

GCB KBE

General Sir John Waters

GCB CBE DL

Field Marshal the Lord Guthrie
of Craigiebank

GCB LVO OBE DL

General the Lord Ramsbotham

GCB CBE

Admiral Sir Jock Slater

GCB LVO DL

Admiral of the Fleet
Sir Benjamin Bathurst

GCB DL

Sir Peter Middleton

GCB

Field Marshal Sir John Chapple

GCB CBE DL

Marshal of the Royal Air Force
Sir Peter Harding

GCB

Marshal of the Royal Air Force
the Lord Craig of Radley

GCB OBE

Admiral Sir Desmond Cassidi

GCB

The Lord Armstrong of Ilminster

GCB CVO

The Dean's Verger

Lieutenant Colonel Michael Vernon

The Deputy Secretary

Major General Charles Vyvyan

CB CBE

Thomas Woodcock Esq

CVO DL FSA

The Gentleman Usher of the Scarlet Rod

The Genealogist

Rear Admiral Iain Henderson

CB CBE DL

Admiral of the Fleet the Lord Boyce

KG GCB OBE DL

The Registrar and Secretary

The Bath King of Arms

to take the Oath and to be Installed

The Very Reverend Dr John Hall

Dean of Westminster

carrying the Oath and the Admonition fairly engrossed upon vellum

His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales

KG KT GCB OM AK QSO ADC

The Great Master

Major Harry Pilcher

Equerry in Waiting

The Great Master proceeds to his stall.

All remain standing. The choir sings

EXSURGAT DEUS

LET God arise, and let his enemies be scattered :
let them also that hate him flee before him.
But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God :
let them also be merry and joyful.
O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name :
magnify him that rideth upon the heavens, as it were upon an horse;
praise him in his Name JAH, and rejoice before him.
He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows :
even God in his holy habitation.
Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the earth :
O sing praises unto the Lord;
Who sitteth in the heavens over all from the beginning :
lo, he doth send out his voice, yea, and that a mighty voice.
Ascribe ye the power to God over Israel :
his worship, and strength is in the clouds.
O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places :
even the God of Israel; he will give strength and power unto his people;
blessed be God.

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.

George J Elvey (1816–93)

Psalm 68: 1, 3–5, 32–35

All sit. The Dean reads

THE EPISTLE

REJOICE in the Lord always; and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Philippians 4: 4–8

The Sacrist and choir sing

THE LESSER LITANY

The Lord be with you
and with thy spirit.
Let us pray.

All kneel or sit.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Give The Queen thy judgements, O God:
and thy righteousness unto The Queen's son.

Make thou her officers peace,
and her exactors righteousness.

Let all her people praise thee, O God:
yea, let all her people praise thee.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord?
He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart.

Wash our hands in innocency, O Lord:
and so let us go to thine altar.

OMNIPOTENT and everlasting God, we beseech thee to pour thy blessing upon our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth and upon all those who are called to serve her by sea or land or air, at home or abroad. Grant unto the members of this Most Honourable Order of the Bath that they may ever contend valiantly for the faith, succour the defenceless, protect the weak, and, in the maintenance of their Sovereign's right and honour, constantly uphold the cause of equity and justice among all her peoples; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE beseech thee, O Lord our God, to write thy law upon the hearts of thy people that it may bind the nations also in a covenant which cannot be broken; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Douglas Guest (1916–1996)
Organist of Westminster Abbey 1963–1981

All stand as the Canons and Minor Canons move eastwards to their appointed places through the South Lantern and Ambulatory; the Canons and Minor Canons, on reaching the Chapel of the Order, stand at the west end.

The Great Master, preceded by the Dean and accompanied by the Knights Grand Cross and the Officers of the Order, leaves Quire and passes through the South Lantern and the Ambulatory. The Procession moves eastwards to the Chapel of the Order.

When the Procession has passed behind the High Altar, the congregation sits.

During the Procession to the Lady Chapel of King Henry VII, the Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment plays:

Imperial March Op 32

Edward Elgar

During the Oath and Installation Ceremony in the Chapel, the choir sings:

O CLAP your hands, all ye people : shout unto God with the voice of triumph.
For the Lord most high is terrible : he is a great King over all the earth.
God is gone up with a shout : the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to God : sing praises unto our King.
For God is the King of all the earth : sing ye praises every one that hath understanding.
God reigneth over the heathen : God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.
Sing praises unto our King : sing praises.

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

Psalm 47: 1–2, 5–8

NEVER weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore,
Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more,
Than my wearied sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest.

Ever blooming are the joys of heaven's high paradise,
Cold age deafs not there our ears, nor vapour dims our eyes:
Glory there the sun outshines, whose beams the blessed only see:
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee.

Hubert Parry (1848–1918)

Thomas Campion (1567–1620)

LIFT up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is the King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in. Who is the King of Glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

George Frideric Handel
from Messiah HWV 56

Psalm 24: 7–10

THE CEREMONIES

The Knights Grand Cross and Officers, on entering the Chapel, move to their appointed places and remain standing.

The Great Master, on entering the Chapel, is conducted by the Dean to his stall.

When The Great Master is seated, the Senior Knights Grand Cross sit.

The Bath King of Arms then bows to those Knights Grand Cross to take the Oath, who move to their stalls and remain standing.

The Bath King of Arms, with the Gentleman Usher of the Scarlet Rod on his right, and followed by the Dean and the Sub-Dean holding the Bible, proceeds to the west of the Chapel, where all four bow to The Great Master.

The Great Master descends from his stall and, attended by the Dean, proceeds to the stall of Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Johns, the Senior Knight Grand Cross to take the Oath. The Great Master delivers the Book of Statutes to the Senior Knight Grand Cross. The Dean administers the Oath to the Knights, who repeat the words of the Oath simultaneously, the Sub-Dean holding the Bible.

The Oath is administered in these words:

YOU shall honour God above all things; you shall be steadfast in the Faith of Christ; you shall love The Queen, your Sovereign Lady, and her and her right defend to your power; you shall defend maidens, widows and orphans in their rights and shall suffer no extortion as far as you can prevent it; and of as great honour be this Order unto you as ever it was to any of your progenitors, or others.

The Great Master then performs the Act of Installation; during which The Great Master will bow, the Knights concerned return the bow, and are then seated.

The Great Master, preceded by the Dean and the Gentleman Usber of the Scarlet Rod, returns to his stall and sits. The remaining Knights Grand Cross who have taken the Oath then sit. The Dean and the Gentleman Usber of the Scarlet Rod return to their places at the Altar. The Bath King of Arms receives back the Statutes from the Senior Knight Grand Cross. The Bath King of Arms then proceeds to the middle of the Chapel and summons to positions near the Altar all the Knights who have taken the Oath. These Knights move to the middle of the Chapel.

All in the Chapel stand; those in other parts of the Abbey remain seated.

The Bath King of Arms and the Gentleman Usber of the Scarlet Rod wait upon The Great Master, who proceeds to the Altar and makes his offering of gold and silver. He then returns, attended as before, to his stall, and sits.

The Registrar and Secretary and the Genealogist wait upon the Senior Knight Grand Cross, who proceeds to the Altar and makes his offering of gold and silver.

Each Knight who has taken the Oath turns towards the Altar. The Senior Knight Grand Cross draws his sword, while the remaining Knights who have taken the Oath partially draw their swords and hold them forward, hilt towards the Altar. The Senior Knight Grand Cross offers his sword to the Dean who receives it and lays it upon the Altar. He then redeems it of the Dean, who restores it with the Admonition:

I EXHORT and admonish you to use your Sword to the Glory of God, the Defence of the Gospel, the maintenance of your Sovereign's Right and Honour, and of all Equity and Justice to the utmost of your Power.

All Knights who have taken the Oath return the sword to the scabbard in unison with the Senior Knight Grand Cross.

The ceremonies in the Chapel being concluded, the Procession returns to Quire through the North Ambulatory and Lantern.

As the Procession enters the North Lantern, a fanfare is sounded. All stand.

The Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment plays:

Nimrod from 'Enigma' Variations Op 36

Edward Elgar

The Canons and Minor Canons return to the Sacrarium; the Knights Grand Cross and Officers move to their places in Quire. The Dean moves to his place in the Sacrarium. The Great Master moves to his stall in Quire.

All remain standing. The choir sings

JUBILATE DEO

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands :
serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God :
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise :
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting :
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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.

William Walton (1902–83)

Psalm 100

All kneel or sit. The Sacrist leads the congregation in saying together

A GENERAL THANKSGIVING

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men; we bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we shew forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Dean says:

LET us give thanks to almighty God for many years of distinguished service to Crown and Commonwealth rendered by the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

Silence is kept.

Lord, hear our prayer
and let our cry come unto thee.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who by thy holy Apostle has taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: we bless thy holy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, who being members of this Most Honourable Order of the Bath have left to us the fair pattern of valiant and true Knighthood. We beseech thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom; and to grant unto them, with all the faithful, peace, light and life eternal. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

MAY the merciful Lord grant unto them, with all the faithful, peace, light and life everlasting. **Amen.**

OLORD God, when thou givest to thy servants to endeavour any great matter, grant us also to know that it is not the beginning, but the continuing of the same, until it be thoroughly finished, which yieldeth the true glory; through him who for the finishing of thy work laid down his life, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sir Francis Drake (c 1540–1596)

GOD save our Gracious Sovereign, and all the Brotherhood of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath. **Amen.**

All stand.

The Dean pronounces

THE BLESSING

GOD grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, The Queen, the Commonwealth, and all mankind, peace and concord, and to us sinners 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 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.

arranged by Gordon Jacob (1895–1984)

All sing

THE HYMN

during which the Collegiate Procession, followed by the Procession of the Order, moves through the North Lantern, the North Quire, and Nave Aisles to the west end of the Abbey. The Knights Grand Cross continue through the South Nave and Quire Aisles to the East Cloister Door

FOR all the Saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confess'd,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.

Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.

Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia!

The choir sings: O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia!

All sing: And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west,
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest:
sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the Saints triumphant rise in bright array:
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia!

Ralph Vaughan Williams

William Walsbam How (1823–97)

After the service, the Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment plays:

Spitfire Prelude

William Walton

Fighter Command March

Kenneth Alwyn (b 1925)

The Royal Air Force March Past

Henry Walford Davies (1869–1941)
George Dyson (1883–1964)

The bells of the Abbey church are rung.

**Members of the congregation are requested to remain
in their places until invited to move by the stewards.**

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