

Westminster Abbey



The opening of The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Galleries

by

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

with

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS
THE PRINCE OF WALES

Friday 8th June 2018
11.30 am

ORDER OF SERVICE

The choir sings

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.

The Very Reverend Dr John Hall, Dean of Westminster, gives

THE WELCOME

THE DEDICATION

Her Majesty The Queen says:

Mr Dean, I hereby open these Galleries, and place them into the custody of the Dean and Chapter, and I invite you to dedicate them.

The Dean says:

Your Majesty, the Dean and Chapter of Westminster gratefully receives these Galleries and I gladly dedicate them.

To the greater glory of God and in celebration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee and continuing reign, I dedicate these Galleries in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The choir sings

THE ANTHEM

SING joyfully unto God our strength :
sing loud unto the God of Jacob.
Take the song, and bring forth the timbrel :
the pleasant harp, and the viol.
Blow the trumpet in the new moon :
even in the time appointed, and at our feast-day.
For this is a statute for Israel :
and a law of the God of Jacob.

William Byrd (c 1540–1623)

Psalm 81: 1–4

The Reverend Jane Sinclair Canon in Residence, leads

THE PRAYER

Let us give thanks to God for all who have contributed to this work; for the generosity of donors and for the skill of builders and craftsmen.

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 unto the end, until it be thoroughly finished, which yieldeth the true glory; through him who for the finishing of thy work laid down his life, our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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.**