



The Anglican Church of

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Diocese of Tasmania

**OUR CELEBRATION OF
A NEW MINISTRY**

The Institution of

The Reverend Ted Newport

as

Priest-in-Charge

in

The Parish of the Northern Midlands

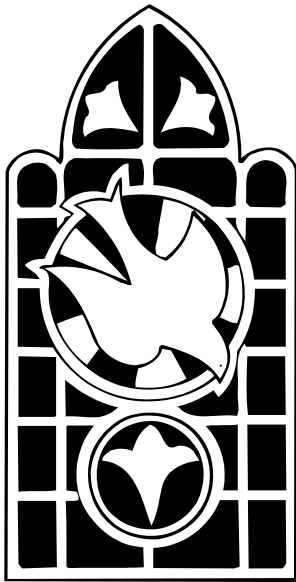
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On behalf of

Bishop John Harrower

August 31st 2010



INTRODUCING TED and ROSIE

The Revd Ted and Rosie Newport

Refrain

**Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear his voice
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory! great things he has done!**

Frances Jane van Alstyne 1820-1915

Remain standing as Bishop Ross gives the blessing.

God stir up within you the gift of his Spirit,
that you may confess Jesus Christ as Lord
and proclaim the joy of the everlasting gospel
wherever you may be;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you
always. **Amen.**

The newly instituted priest dismisses the congregation.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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Ted was born and raised in the Nelson area of New Zealand. He became a primary school teacher and worked in New Zealand for 14 years.

In 1978 he was called to the mission field and was a CMS mission partner working in Tanzania till 1992. Ted met Rosie at Missionary Training College in Melbourne, where she was studying after having a year teaching in Tanzania. They were married in Tanzania in 1979.

They have two adult children, who grew up in Tanzania, now living in New Zealand. Ruth, their eldest lives in Auckland, and Andrew, together with his wife Cindy, live in Wellington.

Rosie comes from Battery Point and was also a school teacher. Her elderly father, who will be 90 in October, still lives in the family home.

Ted was ordained in Tanzania and since returning from overseas has worked in three parishes of the Wellington Diocese, the most recent being Masterton, a rural town.

OUR CELEBRATION OF A NEW PRIEST

The following hymn is sung.

AHB 92 God has spoken by His prophets

**God has spoken by His prophets
spoken His unchanging word
Each, from age to age proclaiming**

**God, the One, the righteous Lord
'Mid the world's despair and turmoil
one firm anchor holds us fast:
God is king, His throne eternal
God the first, and God the last!**

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**God has spoken by Christ Jesus
Christ, the everlasting Son,
brightness of the Father's glory
with the Father ever One:
Spoken by the Word incarnate
God from God, ere time began,
Light from light, to earth descending
Man, revealing God to man.**

3

**God is speaking by His Spirit
speaking to the hearts of men
in the age-long word expounding
God's own message, now as then;
Through the rise and fall of nations
one sure faith yet standing fast -
God still speaks His Word unchanging
God the first, and God the last.**

G W Briggs 1875-1959

The people are seated. Bp Ross welcomes the congregation and says:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

ALL : And also with you.

Saint Peter wrote to the elders of the Church: Look after the flock of God that is in your care; not by compulsion but willingly; not for what you may gain, but out of a desire to serve; not by dominating over those in your charge, but by setting an example to the flock. 1 Peter 5: 2,3

AHB No 85 "To God be the Glory, great things he has done!"

- 1. To God be the Glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life in atonement for sin
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

Refrain

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Let the earth hear his voice
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory! great things he has done!**

- 2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God!
and every offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.**

Refrain

**Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear his voice
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory! great things he has done!**

- 3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.**

are yours now and forever. Amen.

The newly instituted priest continues the service saying:

Let us begin our ministry together by giving thanks to God.

His mercy and love are everlasting.

We thank you, gracious God, for all your goodness to us and to all people.

We give you thanks and praise.

For the world in which you have placed us, with its wonder and beauty; for life and all that sustains us; for love and friendship;

We give you thanks and praise.

For all who have served you and your people in this parish, and for the many blessings they have received at your hands.

We give you thanks and praise.

Above all, for your grace made known to us in Jesus Christ, light of the world and source of all new life, and for your call to follow him.

We give you thanks and praise.

With him, and in him, and through him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father, in songs of never ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Gracious God, you strengthen and sustain all whom you call; grant that the people of this parish may love and care for each other with patience and understanding, that together we may follow Jesus Christ and live and work to your praise and glory. **Amen.**

Notices are given, after which the following hymn is sung.

The Churchwardens then present the priest to be instituted:

Bishop Ross, we present to you Ted Newport, who has been duly chosen to serve in this Parish, and we desire that he be instituted in this ministry.

Bishop:

Bishop John and I rejoice that God has called Ted to serve Jesus Christ in this Parish, and gladly proceed to the institution.

The licence is now read, the Priest having made the declarations and oaths.

ALL stand and Bishop Ross says:

Ted, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?

I do.

Bishop Ross asks the people:

People of this Parish of Northern Midlands, will you renew your commitment to Christ and his church?

Will you work with Ted and pray for him in his ministry among you?

We will, with God's help.

Let us pray for the guidance and empowering of God's Spirit in this new beginning.

Silence is kept, after which Bishop Ross says the Collect:

God our Father, shepherd and guide of all your faithful people, look with favour on your servant Ted, whom you have chosen to be a pastor in this Parish; and grant that by word and example he may lead the people committed to his charge, and be a faithful minister of your word and sacraments. Send your Holy Spirit upon your people, that they may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and be empowered to serve you in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Philippians 2: 12—18

The Sermon: The Rt Revd Ross Nicholson

The following hymn is sung. AHB 10 All people that on earth do dwell

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

**2. Know that the Lord 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.**

**3. 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.**

**4. 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.**

Tune: Old 100th. Words Wm Kethe d 1594

THE INSTITUTION

The congregation is seated. Wardens and representatives of the parish bring symbols of their shared ministry to the priest. The response of the people is intended particularly for those from the parish, but all are invited to renew their commitment to the church and its ministry if they wish to do so.

Bp Ross says:

For John our Bishop, and all called to the ordained ministry of the church, that in love they may equip and encourage your people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For Ted and Rosie, chosen to minister in this parish, that they may continue to grow together in love, build up your church, and glorify your name. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness we may proclaim the gospel in this community and to the ends of the earth. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may act justly and promote the dignity and freedom of those they serve. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer: that they may be delivered from their distress. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We commend to you ourselves and one another, as we stand together in the faith of our Saviour Christ, who taught us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

11 **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory**

2. That love, like a stream
flowing clear to the sea,
makes clean every heart
that from sin would be free.

3. It binds the whole world,
every barrier it breaks,
the hills it lays low,
and the mountains it shakes.

4. It's yours, it is ours,
O how lavishly given!
the pearl of great price,
and the treasure of heaven

Words: D.T. Niles Music: C Vijaya 1960

THE PRAYERS

All kneel or sit as Archdeacon Bob leads the Litany.

Let us pray.

God the Father,
have mercy on us.

God the Son,
have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,
have mercy on us.

For your holy church, that it may be filled with truth and love and
be ready to greet its Lord.
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For all members of your church, and especially this parish, that they
may serve you faithfully in their vocation and ministry.
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Let the symbols of ministry be presented.

Parish representatives move and stand at the lectern.

One holds up the Bible and they say together:

Ted, Christ's ministry is founded in and upon God's Holy Word.

People: Join us and support us in proclaiming the Word of God.

*Parish representatives move to the font. One takes the ewer and pours
water into the font, while the other says:*

It is our privilege and responsibility to share the Good News of Christ with
all people, that they might be restored to unity with God and each other in
Christ.

**People: Join us in baptising and in the making of Christian disciples
in obedience to the command of our Lord.**

*Parish representatives move forward to the Prayer desk. One holds up a
Prayer Book and they say together:*

Ted, the apostle Paul reminds us that we are to pray unceasingly.

People: Join us in offering the prayer of Christ.

*The wardens move forward and lead Ted to stand behind the Lord's
Table. One places bread and another places wine upon the Table.
They say together:*

Ted, in the Holy Communion we gather constantly to be nourished and sent
forth in ministry.

**People: Join us in the breaking of the bread, as we
offer our gifts in praise and thanksgiving to God.**

*Parish representatives move forward to the Chancel bringing forward a
bowl of water and towel. They say together:*

Ted, in baptism we were all anointed by the Holy Spirit that we might
participate in the servant ministry of Jesus Christ.

People: Join us in being servants of Christ in the world.

*Parish representatives bring forward the oil of anointing.
They say together:*

Ted, this oil is a symbol of the healing and wholeness that Jesus came to
bring to our broken world.

People: Join us in bringing healing and reconciliation

in Christ's name to the world.

The wardens move forward and present Ted with a set of church keys. They say together:

Ted, our church buildings stand as symbols of the Lord's presence in all of life. Receive these keys.

People: Join us in opening doors to all people.

Bp Ross says:

Let all these things be signs of the ministry we share in Jesus Christ, and may the Holy Spirit, who has begun this good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. **Amen.**

THE COMMISSIONING

Bishop Ross installs the Priest at the Prayer Desk, and presents the Bishop's licence, saying:

Ted, my brother in Christ, I set you in your place among the people of God in this parish and in the name of Christ I commission you as Priest in Charge of this parish. Receive this charge which is both the Bishop's and yours, and be a faithful minister of God's holy word and sacraments and a faithful pastor under the great Shepherd of our souls.

The priest kneels:

Ted, may the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you through his Spirit in your inner being, that Christ may dwell in your heart through faith, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God, and so may have the power to accomplish those things to which God has now called you.

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, bless you and equip you with everything good, that you may do the work to which you have been called, to the praise of God's holy name and the well-being of God's people. **Amen.**

THE WELCOME

Led by the Archdeacon Bob McKay

The priest is greeted and welcomed by:

- *A Churchwarden, on behalf of the parish*
- *The Archdeacon on behalf of the Anglican clergy*
- *A Representative of other churches in the community*
- *A civic Representative*

The priest responds:

Thank you for your welcome. I look forward to working with the people of this parish, my colleagues in ministry, and the people of this area in living the Gospel of justice and love.

All stand and Bishop Ross says:

People of the Northern Midlands, I invite you to greet your new priest Ted and his wife Rosie.

The congregation responds with applause.

Archdeacon Bob says:

**We are the Body of Christ.
His Spirit is with us.**

**The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.**

During the hymn the offering is received.

AHB 105 The Great Love of God

**1. The great love of God
is revealed in the Son,
who came to this earth
to redeem every one.**