



Service of Thanksgiving to celebrate the work of Sir John Peace Kt CVO CStJ

as Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire

Thursday 22 February 2024 3.30pm

Welcome to Southwell Minster



As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those around you who may wish to pray in silence. Please switch off mobile telephones and do not use photographic, video or recording equipment at any time.



A loop system is in operation throughout the Minster. Hearing aids that are equipped to do so should be switched to the 'T' position or the loop setting appropriate to your equipment.



Toilet facilities (including disabled access) are situated in the Archbishop's Palace, opposite the South Door of the Minster.

The congregation is invited to join in all texts printed in **bold**.

Official photographs of the service will be taken by Jagjeet Singh and Rosie Smith, students of Nottingham Trent University. This service will be live-streamed to the internet, and will be available at www.southwellminster.org/worship-online and on the Minster's YouTube channel for one week. Live-streaming allows those joining from home to participate in the same act of worship as those in the Cathedral.

Clergy at this service

The service will be led by the Very Revd Nicola Sullivan, *Dean of Southwell* and The Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham, the Rt Revd Paul Williams.

Music at this service

The Cathedral Choir is directed by Paul Provost, *Rector Chori*. The organ is played by Jonathan Allsopp, *Assistant Director of Music*. The Military Fanfares will be played by The Minden House Bugles.

Organ Music before the Service

Prelude and Fugue in C, BWV 547

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Sonata No 2 in C minor

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)

- i. Grave
- ii. Adagio
- iii. Allegro maestoso e vivace
- iv. Fuga

Sir John Peace Kt CVO CStJ Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire, 2012-2024

The office of His or Her Majesty's Lieutenant for counties was originally established under the Tudor Monarchs in the sixteenth century but was often only filled in times of national or local emergency. The office was not filled continuously but office holder when in post, along with the Sheriff and Justices formed the bedrock of local governance generally but had specific responsibility for military matters and the Trained Bands – the precursors of the local Militia.

Over the years the office of HM Lieutenant for a county became informally known as the Lord-Lieutenant. The office holder was usually but not always appointed as Custos Rotulorum or keeper of the county records and as such the leading local Justice and responsible for selecting and recommending Justices of the Peace in the county.

Like the Sovereign he or she represents, the Lord-Lieutenant is non-political and above all stands for the general, cultural, social and cultural life of a county. The office holder is an Honorary Officer appointed by the Crown by Letters Patent under the Great Seal on the recommendation of the Prime Minister to be the permanent representative of the Crown in the county. The holder is required to meet and attend the Sovereign and other members of the Royal Family on visits to the county.

The office does not now lapse with the demise of the Sovereign and during his tenure from July 2012 Sir John has therefore served both Her Majesty Elizabeth II and His Majesty King Charles III. The jurisdiction of the office extends to the whole County of Nottinghamshire including the City of Nottingham.

Sir John comes from Nottinghamshire mining stock and after education at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst joined GUS plc rising to become Chief Executive from 2000 to 2006. Within GUS plc he was responsible for the creation and growth of Experian plc the financial services company which is one of the largest employers in Nottinghamshire in which he was Chairman from 2006 to 2014.

He had a long and distinguished international career across the financial services, retail and technology sectors including the chairmanship of Burberry plc and Standard Chartered Bank plc. Locally he has continued as Chair of the Midland Engine. He has also had a long standing interest in education and served as a trustee of the Djanogly City Academy as well as Chair of the Board of Governors (and currently Chancellor) of Nottingham Trent University and is an Honorary Doctor of that University as well as of the University of Nottingham.

He was High Sheriff of the County in 2011/12, was knighted in 2011 for services to business and the voluntary sector and in 2023 was made a Commander of the Royal Victorian Order – an honour bestowed by the Sovereign personally significant as a recognition of Sir John's service to the Crown and achievements whilst Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire.

Sir John lives in Caunton, is married to Christine and has three daughters one of whom serves as a Deputy Lieutenant of the County.

Procession

The Head Verger
The Servers
The Canon Precentor
The Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire
The Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham
The Bishop's Chaplain
The Lord-Lieutenant's Cadets

ORDER OF SERVICE

MILITARY FANFARE during which the clergy and the Lord-Lieutenant enter

America 76 Fanfare

Please stand as the fanfare begins

ANTHEM sung by the choir

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

To thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.

The noble army of martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee,

The Father, of an infinite majesty;

Thine honourable, true, and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,

Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,

Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,

Whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints, in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage.

Govern them and lift them up for ever.

Day by day we magnify thee, and we worship thy Name

Ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

- O Lord, have mercy upon us.
- O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in thee.
- O Lord, in thee have I trusted, let me never be confounded.

Words: Book of Common Prayer

Music: TE DEUM in G

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Please sit

THE BIDDING

The Very Revd Nicola Sullivan, Dean of Southwell, welcomes the congregation and says:

We have come to our Cathedral Church today to honour and celebrate the tireless work of our Lord-Lieutenant, Sir John Peace. We gather as representatives from many different sectors, organisations, faith groups and charities to express our gratitude and appreciation of Sir John's dedication and service as His Majesty's representative to the people of the County of Nottinghamshire and the City of Nottingham. We come together to pay tribute to Sir John's vision, energy and unstinting support given to the civic, community, enterprise, and social life of our communities. His leadership, warmth and encouragement have touched countless lives over his twelve years in office, especially the young and those who need renewed hope for the future. As we gather in thankfulness, we pray for God's abundant blessing on Sir John and Lady Peace and their family, and recommit ourselves to the service of others.

Please stand

HYMN



- 1. Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven; To his feet thy tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like me his praise should sing? Praise him! Praise him! Praise the everlasting King.
- 2. Praise him for his grace and favour To our fathers in distress;
 Praise him still the same for ever,
 Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
 Praise him! Praise him!
 Glorious in his faithfulness.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847) after Psalm 103

- 3. Father-like, he tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Praise him! Praise him! Widely as his mercy flows.
- 4. Angels, help us to adore him;
 Ye behold him face to face;
 Sun and moon, bow down before him;
 Dwellers all in time and space.
 Praise him! Praise him!
 Praise with us the God of grace.

Tune: PRAISE, MY SOUL NEH 436 John Goss (1800-80)

Please sit

READING read by CCF Cadet WO2 Daniel Hanlon, Arnold Hill Academy

Words by Dame Elizabeth Fradd, DBE, FRCN, Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire, based on His Majesty the King's Christmas Broadcast 2023

King Charles, instead of focusing on his Coronation in his Christmas message last year, chose to emphasise the themes of faith and service, because, as he said, 'out of God's providence we are blessed with much, and it is incumbent on us to use this wisely. 'However, service to other', the King added, 'is but one way of honouring the whole of creation which, after all, is a manifestation of the divine. This is a belief shared by all religions. To care for this creation is a responsibility owed by people of all faiths and of none'.

The King and Queen were delighted that hundreds of representatives of selfless people – volunteers who serve their communities in so many ways – joined them in the Abbey. Similarly, many of you here today form the backbone of our County, encouraged by Sir John who has ensured that we both serve one another and love and care for all.

At a time of increasingly tragic conflict around the world, it is important to support each other and have hope for the future. One way to do this is for each of us to do all in our power to protect each other. The phrase, 'do unto others as you would have them do to you', often known as 'The Golden Rule', reflects values which are universal, drawing together our Abrahamic family of religions, and other belief systems across the Commonwealth and wider world. They remind us to imagine ourselves in the shoes of our neighbours, and to seek their good as we would our own – as expressed in the words of Jesus: 'love your neighbour as yourself.'

TRIBUTE given by Anthony May, OBE DL, former CEO of Nottinghamshire County Council and Clerk to the Lord-Lieutenant, 1 April 2015 – 31 August 2022

Please stand

HYMN



Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy, Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm, Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Words: Jan Struther (1901-53) Copyright © 1931, 1982 Oxford University Press Tune: SLANE NEH 239
Irish traditional arr. Erik Routley (1917-82)

Please sit

Isaiah 40: 25–31 & 2 Thessalonians 2: 16–17

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah, and from the second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

To whom then will you compare me,
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
Lift up your eyes on high and see:
Who created these?
He who brings out their host and numbers them,
calling them all by name;
because he is great in strength,
mighty in power,
not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. TRIBUTE given by Tim Richmond OBE TD DL Former Vice Lord-Lieutenant 21 July 2008 – 17 November 2022

ANTHEM sung by the choir

Beati quorum via integra est: qui ambulant in lege Domini. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord.

Words: Psalm 119: 1 Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

ADDRESS given by the Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham, The Rt Revd Paul Williams

PRAYERS led by Dr Richard Bullock OBE MA DL

Let us give thanks for the leadership of the County of Nottinghamshire given by Sir John and Lady Peace throughout his time as Lord Lieutenant of the County; for his devotion to the Common Good and his deep desire to ensure that Justice and Equity underpin the social, economic educational and religious fabric of Nottinghamshire.

In your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Let us remember how during his time in office Sir John has been inspired to empower others on his behalf to enrich, extend and enhance the statutory and voluntary offices they hold, so that they in turn were enabled to strengthen the bodies which they represented to the amelioration of the communities of which they were a part.

In your mercy

Hear our prayer.

In particular let us recall the augmented diversity of the Lieutenancy within Nottinghamshire, reflecting the desire of the Sovereigns represented by that Lieutenancy to be defenders of faith and upholders of truth and principle in their many diverse forms, for the benefit of the many interdependent communities within the wider society where we all conduct our lives.

In your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Let us all, inspired by the example and conduct of the Lord Lieutenant, work to play our part in making Nottinghamshire a place where there shall be neither darkness nor dazzling but one equal light; neither noise nor silence but one equal music; neither fears nor hopes but one equal achievement; neither ends nor beginnings but one shared equal eternal justice, honesty and integrity.

In your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray together as Jesus himself has 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.

HYMN



1. All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.

- 2. Pride of man and earthly glory,
 Sword and crown betray his trust;
 What with care and toil he buildeth,
 Tower and temple, fall to dust
 But God's power,
 Hour by hour,
 Is my temple and my tower.
- 3. God's great goodness aye endureth,
 Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
 Splendour, light and life attend him,
 Beauty springeth out of naught.
 Evermore
 From his store
 New-born worlds rise and adore.
- Words: German, Joachim Neander (1650-80) trans. Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

- 4. Daily doth th'Almighty giver Bounteous gifts on us bestow; His desire our soul delighteth, Pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand At his hand; Joy doth wait on his command.
- 5. Still from man to God eternal Sacrifice of praise be done, High above all praises praising For the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call One and all: Ye who follow shall not fall.

Tune: MICHAEL NEH 333 Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

BLESSING given by the Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious King, Long live our noble King, God save the King! Send him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us, God save the King!

Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign:
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice
God save the King!

Tune: NATIONAL ANTHEM NEH 489 English traditional arr. Gordon Jacob (1895-1984)

Please sit

PRESENTATIONS

made by Dame Elizabeth Fradd DBE FRCN, Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire; assisted by ACF Cadet Sergeant Sky Cohen, CCF Cadet WO2 Daniel Hanlon, and RAFAC Flight Sergeant Grace O'Callaghan

Following the presentations, please stand at the sounding of the Military Fanfare

MILITARY FANFARE

No More Parades

Traditional British Army Bugle Call

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Marche pontificale (from *Symphony No 1*)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Order of Recession

The Head Verger
The Servers
The Dean The Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire
The Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham Lady Peace
The Canon Precentor
The Bishop's Chaplain
The Lord-Lieutenant's Cadets

A Verger
The Cathedral Choir
The Rector Chori

Following the service, refreshments will be served in the Crossing.

All are warmly welcome.

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