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THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE,
HONITON.

April 24th, 1838—April 24th, 1938.

THE DEDICATION
OF THE
LADY CHAPEL

— BY —

The Right Reverend The Lord Bishop of Exeter

On Low Sunday, April 24th, 1938,

at 6.30 p.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE.



HYMN

sung in ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HONITON,
April 29th, 1838
(The first Sabbath after the Consecration).

O Lord! look down upon the place
Of our assembly now,
And shed abundantly Thy grace
And all Thy glory show.

Oh! may it be a house of prayer,
Where many hearts bow down,
And lay each wish, and want and care,
Before Thy gracious throne.

Oh! may it be a house of praise,
Whence many voices rise
To lift in heaven-instructed lays,
The glory to the skies.

Oh! may it be a gate of Heaven,
A guide, O Lord, to Thee!
Where we may know our sins forgiven,
And feel our souls set free.

And may it be Thy house, O Lord!
O God! be ever near
To those who read or preach Thy word,
To all who pray or hear.

EVENSONG.

Hymn 242.

(during which the Bishop and Clergy will proceed to the Lady Chapel).

Then the Bishop shall say—

“Dearly beloved in the Lord, we are gathered together to-day to render humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God for the blessings poured out upon this Parish, and for the Ministrations of the Word and Sacraments through this building during the past hundred years, and to pray for the continuance of His favour and blessing.”

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father deliver us from evil. Amen.

Grant O Lord, that this Chapel may be a constant reminder of Thy many blessings outpoured upon this Parish during the past hundred years, and an inspiration to all Thy faithful people now present and who may come hereafter, that they may offer to Thee that sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving which is acceptable in Thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Be present, O merciful God, that what is performed by our humble ministration, may be fulfilled by Thine effectual power, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



In the faith of Jesus Christ we now bless this Chapel, dedicating it in honour of the blessed Virgin Mary, to the Glory and Praise of God. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.



O merciful God, grant that what has been performed through our office and ministry may be confirmed by Thy blessing, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O most blessed Saviour, Who in the days of Thy earthly ministry, by Thy gracious Presence at the Feast of the Dedication didst approve and honour such services; be present at this time by Thy Holy Spirit, and because holiness becometh Thine House for ever, sanctify us, we pray Thee, that we may be living temples, holy and acceptable unto Thee; and so dwell in our hearts by faith, and possess our souls by Thy grace, that nothing which defileth may enter into us, but that, being cleansed from all carnal and corrupt affections, we may ever be devoutly given to serve Thee in all good works, Who art our Saviour, Lord and God, blessed for evermore. Amen.

Let us remember those who have worshipped in this Church and are now at rest.

O eternal Lord God, Who holdest all souls in life, we beseech Thee to shed forth upon Thy whole Church in Paradise and on earth the bright beams of Thy light and Heavenly comfort; and grant that we, following the good examples of those who have loved and served Thee here, and are at rest, may with them at last enter into Thine unending joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn 450.

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V. Let us go forth in peace.

R. In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

Processional Hymn 604.

Solemn Te Deum.

The Blessing.