

Licensing of Rev Simon Moore & Rev Louise Moore - 8 October 2023

The Presentation

Archdeacon I now invite the Churchwardens to bring forward your new Incumbent and Associate Vicar for presentation.

The Priests are led by the Churchwardens to the Archdeacon.

Churchwardens

Reverend Father in God,
We present to you Simon Quentin Moore and Margaret Louise Moore who, after prayerful consideration and due consultation, has been chosen to serve as Vicar and Associate Vicar in this benefice, and we present them to be instituted.

Archdeacon I thank you for your presentation and commendation.

The Archdeacon addresses Simon and Louise

Simon and Louise I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Simon you have been chosen as Incumbent of the benefice of Silsoe, Pulloxhill and Flitton.
Louise you have been chosen as Associate Vicar of the benefice of Silsoe, Pulloxhill and Flitton

Do you believe that God has truly called you to this ministry?

Simon & Louise I believe that God has called me and, with his help, I will serve faithfully in this ministry.

The Archdeacon addresses the people of the Benefice

Archdeacon People of God, is it your will that Simon and Louise should serve with you in this benefice?

All **It is**

Archdeacon Will you support and uphold them in their ministry?

All **With the help of God, we will**

The Declaration of Assent and the Oaths

Archdeacon In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, I shall now institute Simon and Louise, Clerks in Holy Orders, as Vicar and Associate Vicar of this parish, but first let Declaration of Assent be made and subscribed, and the Oaths be taken according to law.

Simon and Louise stand before the Archdeacon, who addresses them

The Church of England is part of the One, Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church worshipping the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the Catholic Creeds, which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons. In the Declaration you are about to make, will you affirm your loyalty to this inheritance of faith as your inspiration and guidance under God, in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making Him known to those in your care?

Simon and Louise affirm, saying

I, Simon Quentin Moore, I, Margaret Louise Moore,
do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the Catholic Creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the Sacraments, I will use only the Forms of Service which are authorised or allowed by Canon.

Taking a New Testament, they turn to the people and says

I, Simon Quentin Moore, I, Margaret Louise Moore,
swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles the Third, his heirs and successors, according to law: so help me God.

Holding the New Testament, they turn to the Archdeacon and say

I, Simon Quentin Moore, I, Margaret Louise Moore,
do swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of St Albans and his successors in all things lawful and honest: so help me God.

The Declarations are signed by Simon and Louise

The Collect

Archdeacon The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you**

Silence is kept

The following Collect is said

Almighty and everlasting God,
we thank you that through your Son
you have called us into the fellowship of your universal church.
Hear our prayer, which we offer for all your faithful people,
that each in their vocation and ministry
may be an instrument of love
and give to your servants Simon and Louise, now to be instituted,
the needful gifts of grace,
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God now and for ever.

All **Amen**

The Institution

Simon and Louise stand before the Archdeacon who reads the Deeds and hands them to Simon and Louise

Archdeacon Simon and Louise receive the Cure of Souls which is both yours and mine;
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Simon & Louise Amen

The Blessing of the Incumbent and Ministry Team

Archdeacon Almighty God,
who for the salvation of the world
gives his people many gifts and ministries,
stir up in you the gifts of his grace,
sustain you in your own ministry in this place,
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

All **Amen**

The Induction and Installation

The new vicar and associate vicar are taken to their stalls stall by the Archdeacon and sit down.

Archdeacon Simon I install you as incumbent of this benefice.
Louise I install you as associate vicar of this benefice
God the Holy Trinity,
make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side
and guide you in truth and peace.

All **Amen**

The Welcome

The new vicar and associate vicar stand in their stalls and face the people

All stand

Archdeacon I present to you, your new Incumbent and Associate Vicar

Simon and Louise are welcomed with applause

All **Living God,
draw us deeper into your love;
Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve;
Holy Spirit, make us heralds of good news.
Stir us, strengthen us, teach and inspire us
to live your love with generosity and joy,
imagination and courage;
for the sake of your world
and in the name of Jesus. Amen**

The Dismissal

The Blessing of the congregation

Archdeacon God the Father draw you deeper into his love;
God the Son empower you to serve the world;
God the Holy Spirit strengthen you to proclaim the Gospel;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and those you love now and always.

All **Amen**

The Archdeacon and ministers move to the church door.

The Blessing of the parishes

The Archdeacon blesses the parishes at the church door

Unto God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace,
both now and for evermore.

All **Amen**