# A CELEBRATION OF THE INAUGURATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHAMPTON

Friday 3 March 2006



All Saints' Church, Northampton

An organ recital will be given by Mr Ian Clarke MA (Cantab.) MusB commencing at 1.30 pm.

The Choir of All Saints' Church and a Procession of Representative

Clergy take their places.

The Procession enters the Church by the west door to a fanfare of trumpets and timpani

All stand as the procession enters the Church

Remain standing for the

The Bidding

Welcome by the Rector of All Saints' Church,
the Reverend Simon Godfrey

# Remain standing and sing the opening hymn

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!

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide and swift to bless. Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Glorious in his faithfulness!

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!
Praise him! Widely as his mercy flows!

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 him! Praise with us the God of grace.

#### All sit

Address by Mr John Castle, Chairman of the Governing Council of The University of Northampton.

`The History of The University of Northampton' presented by Professor Jon Stobbart, School of Social Sciences.

The Order of the Privy Council presented by Lady Juliet Townsend, Lord Lieutenant for Northamptonshire.

### Choir: I was glad when they said unto me

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

Words from Psalm 122; Music by C.H.H. Parry

'The Road not Taken' by Robert Frost Read by Karen Hillbourn, Final Year BA Drama student.

`The University', Mrs Ann Tate, Vice Chancellor,
The University of Northampton

#### All stand

Now thank we all our God, With heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, In whom his world rejoices; Who from our mother's arms, Hath blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God, Through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us; And keep us in his grace, And guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills, In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given, The Son, and him who reigns With them in highest heaven; The one eternal God, Whom earth and heaven adore; For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

# **Remain Standing**

## The Collect, by the Bishop of Brixworth

The Blessing, by the Bishop of Northampton

The National Anthem

# (Please remain standing whilst the procession leaves the Church)

# Organ Voluntary - Final Symphonie 1 Louis Vierne

The procession leaves All Saints' Church.

Director of Music Assistant Organist Organ Scholar Timpanist Trumpets Mr Edward Whiting
Mr Roger Palmer
Mr Stephen Meakins
Mr Keith Crompton
Under the direction of
Mr Kevin Johnson

The University wishes to thank Ede and Ravenscroft for their assistance with the photography.